

## Characteristics of Ohio's Three Types of Community Colleges

Characteristics of Two Year Colleges		Community Colleges	Technical Colleges	State Community Colleges
<b>Ohio Revised Code</b>		Chapter 3354	Chapter 3357	Chapter 3358
<b>Effective Year</b>		1961	1963	1977
<b>Education Programs and Degrees Conferred</b>		Arts & Science Technical Adult Education R.C. 3354.01(C)  Certificates of Achievements R.C. 3354.09(I)	Provide technical assistance to professionals Fields: engineering and physical, medical, or other sciences. Adult Education R.C. 3357.01(D) Baccalaureate-oriented Program R.C. 3357.01(G)  Associates Degree; Certificates of Achievements R.C. 3357.09(J)	Baccalaureate-oriented Program; Technical education; Adult Continuing Education Program R.C. 3358. 01(B)  Associates Degree; Certificates of achievements R.C. 3358.08(G)
<b>Counsel</b>		Attorney General R.C. 3354.02	Attorney General R.C. 3357.02	Attorney General R.C. 3358.02
<b>Legal Structure</b>	Political Subdivision	Yes R.C. 3354.03	Yes R.C. 3357.04	Yes R.C. 3358.01 No <i>Nimmo v. SSCC</i> <i>Mihalcin v. Hocking</i>
	Body Corporate: Power to sue and be sued	Yes R.C. 3354.03	Yes R.C. 3357.04	Revised Code silent
	"State"	No Generally R.C. 109.36(B) <i>Mihalcin v. Hocking</i>	No Generally R.C. 109.36(B) <i>Mihalcin v. Hocking</i>	Yes Generally R.C. 109.36(B) <i>Miller v. WSCC</i>
	"State Agency"	No Generally R.C. 1.60 OAG 92-034	No Generally R.C. 1.60 OAG 92-034	No Generally R.C. 1.60 OAG 92-034
<b>Revenue Enhancement</b>	Sell/ Issue Bonds	Yes R.C. 3354.03 R.C. 3354.11 R.C. 3345.12	Yes R.C. 3357.04 R.C. 3357.11 R.C. 3345.12	Yes, but limited to R.C. 3345.12
	Levy Local Taxes	Yes R.C. 3354.12	Yes R.C. 3357.11	Tax support from G.A. only R.C. 3358.09
	Pay Taxes & Assessments	No R.C. 3354.15	No R.C. 3357.14	No R.C. 3358.10 (R.C. 3354.15)

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<b>Bond required for treasurer and approved by Attorney General</b>		No	No	Yes R.C. 3358.06
<b>Trustees</b>	Number	9 R.C. 3354.05	7-9 R.C. 3357.05	9 R.C. 3358.03
	# appointed by Governor	3 R.C. 3354.05	2-3 R.C. 3357.05	9 R.C. 3358.03
	# appointed locally	6 R.C. 3354.05	5-6 R.C. 3357.05	0 R.C. 3358.03
	Length of Term	5 Years R.C. 3354.05(B)	3 years R.C. 3357.05	6 years R.C. 3358.03
	Election of officers from the board members	Chairman R.C. 3354.06	Chairman R.C. 3357.06	Chairman Vice-Chairman Secretary (or can be President or designee) *No more than 3 years in office R.C. 3358.04
<b>Jurisdiction</b> (state claims-money damages)		Common Pleas	Common Pleas	Court of Claims <i>Miller v. WSCC</i> , 121 Ohio App. 3d 78 (1997).
<b>Immunity &amp; Indemnification</b>	Civil Immunity of College Employees	Yes R.C. 2744.03	Yes R.C. 2744.03	Yes R.C. 9.86
	Indemnification for College Employees	Yes R.C. 2744.07(A)(2)	Yes R.C. 2744.07(A)(2)	Yes R.C. 9.87
	Eleventh Amendment Immunity	No <i>Nimmo v. SSCC</i> (S.D. Ohio 1985)	No <i>Nimmo v. SSCC</i> (S.D. Ohio 1985)	Yes <i>Nimmo v. SSCC</i> (S.D. Ohio 1985)
<b>Other State Statutes</b>	Civil Service R.C. 124	No OAG 81-062 R.C. 124.38. &124.39	No OAG 81-062 R.C. 124.38 &124.39	Some Uncertainty OAG 78-052
	Subject to R.C. 111.15 filing rules	Yes	Yes	Yes

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<b>Sunshine Laws</b>	Public Records Law	Yes R.C. 149.011	Yes R.C. 149.011	Yes R.C. 149.011
	Open Meeting Act	Yes R.C. 121.22	Yes R.C. 121.22	Yes R.C. 121.22
<b>Operation by another Accredited College or University</b>	Generally	Yes (in whole or in part) R.C. 3354.07	Revised Code Silent	Yes (in part only) R.C. 3358.07
	“public” limitation	Yes R.C. 3354.07		
<b>Investment of funds</b>		R.C. 3354.10 R.C. 3345.05	R.C. 3345.05	R.C. 3358.10 (R.C. 3354.10) R.C. 3345.05
<b>Ownership of College</b>		Board of Trustees R.C. 3354.13	Board of Trustees R.C. 3357.12	Board of Trustees R.C. 3358.08
<b>Conversion &amp;</b>	May convert to:	No statutory mechanism for conversion to another two-year college	State Community College R.C. 3358.02	Community College R.C. 3354.02 R.C. 3358.02
<b>Expansion</b>	Expand District	No provision	Yes R.C. 3357.021	Yes R.C. 3358.02

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<b>Institutions:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Cuyahoga Community College</li> <li>○ Eastern Gateway Community College</li> <li>○ Lakeland Community College</li> <li>○ Lorain Community College</li> <li>○ Rio Grande Community College</li> <li>○ Sinclair Community College</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Belmont Technical College</li> <li>○ Central Ohio Technical College</li> <li>○ Hocking Technical College</li> <li>○ James A. Rhodes State College</li> <li>○ Marion Technical College</li> <li>○ North Central State College</li> <li>○ Stark State College of Technology</li> <li>○ Zane State College</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Clark State Community College</li> <li>○ Columbus State Community College</li> <li>○ Cincinnati State Technical and Community College</li> <li>○ Edison State Community College</li> <li>○ Northwest State Community College</li> <li>○ Owens Community College</li> <li>○ Southern State Community College</li> <li>○ Terra Community College</li> <li>○ Washington State Community College</li> </ul>