

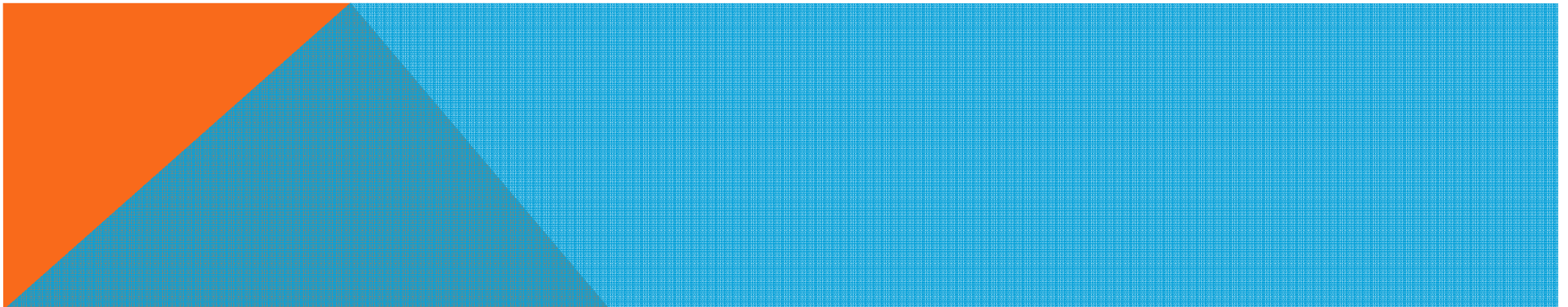
**UTAH PUBLIC EDUCATION ONLINE**  
SENATE BILL 65 AND THE CHANGES TO PUBLIC  
EDUCATION

# SENATE BILL 65

Effective July 1, 2011, Statewide Public Education Online Program  
(SPEOP)

PUBLIC EDUCATION  ONLINE  
STATEWIDE ONLINE EDUCATION PROGRAM

Allowing students grades 9-12 to take up to 2.0 credits with any  
state approved online education provider.

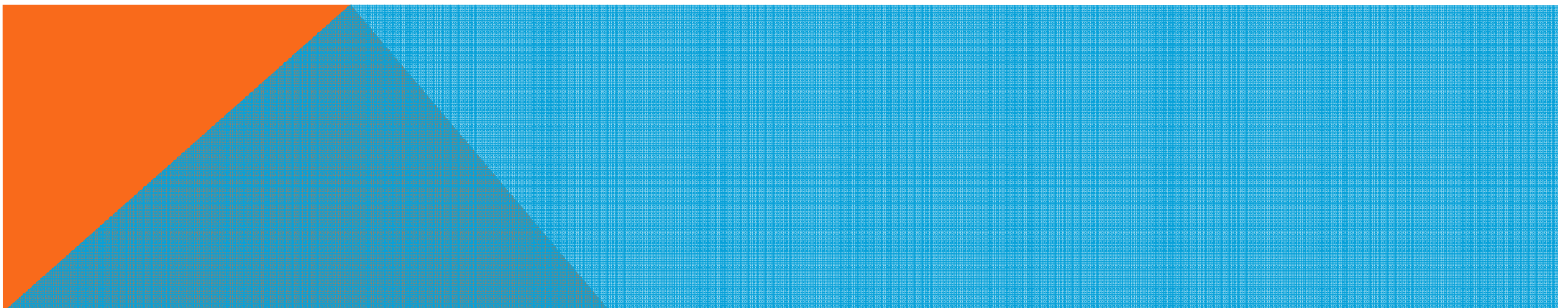


# CREDIT LIMITS

These online credits are NOT supplemental.

Students who choose to take an online class must drop a funded course from their campus school.

The current annual online credit limit for students taking classes through this program is 2.0 but that limit is scheduled to increase over the next few years.

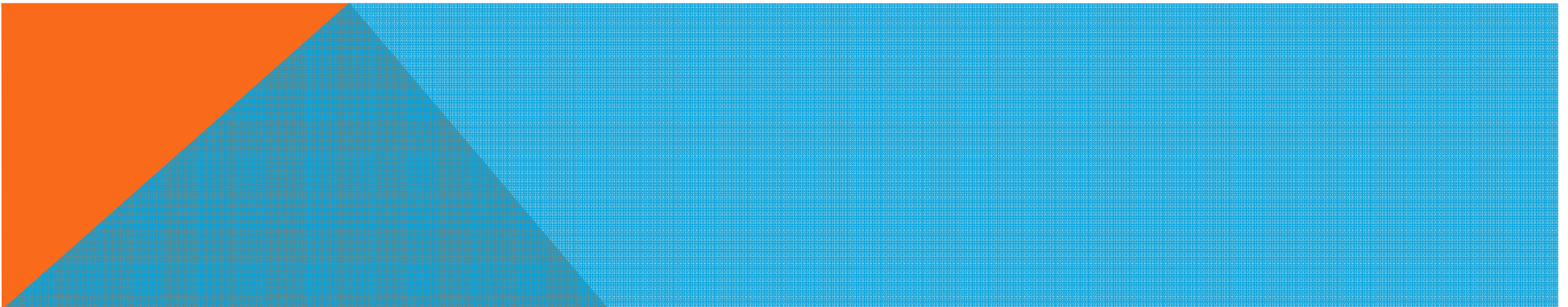


# ONLINE CREDIT ALLOWANCE SCHEDULE

Students can enroll in no more than the limited credits listed according to SS53A-15-1204

- (a) In the 2011-2012 school years, two credits.
- (b) In the 2013-2014 school year, three credits.
- (c) In the 2014-2015 school year, four credits.
- (d) In the 2015-2016 school year, five credits.
- (e) In the 2016-2017 school year, six credits.

The limit will then remain at 6 credits.



# ENROLLMENT PROCESS

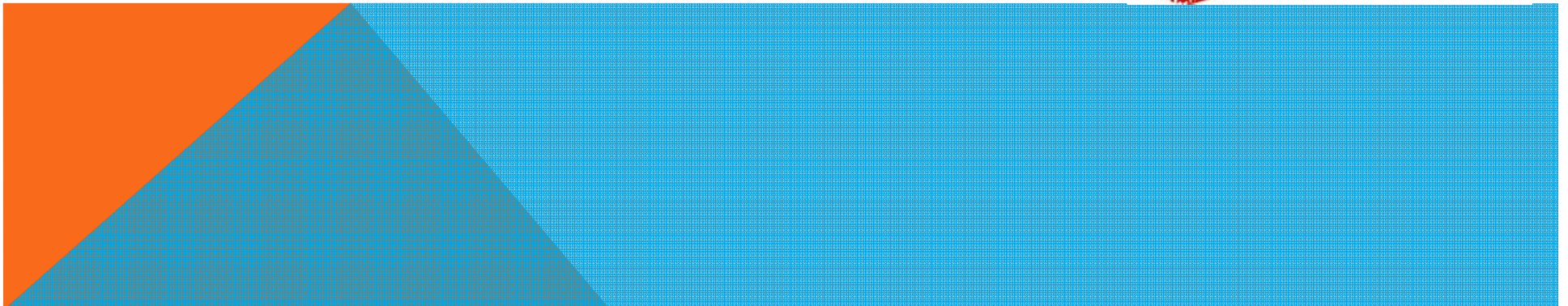
When a student at your school wants to take an online course, they need to meet with their counselor and parent to fill out a Course Credit Acknowledgement (CCA) form.

Counselors can access this form on the USOE website

<http://www.schools.utah.gov/edonline/Info-for-Primary-Schools-and-LEAs.aspx>

The form is submitted to the state who will then verify with the online provider that the student is planning to enroll.

The Primary District Business Administrator is then asked to verify that the student will be appropriately funded according to the limit with brick and mortar courses.



## FUNDING



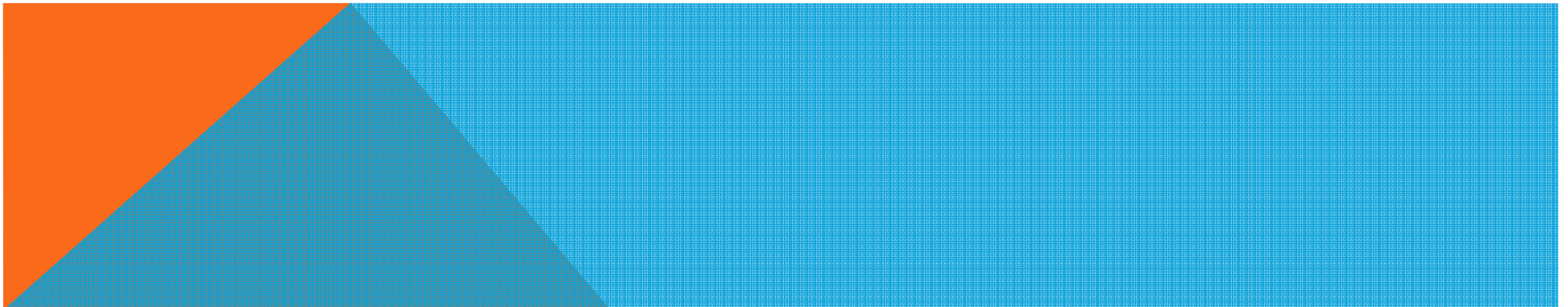
The home district will continue to draw full funding for the student.

Funding is only transferred to the provider once the CCA has been fully executed and will be subtracted *in full* from the Primary LEA.

# ONLINE PROVIDER PAYMENT

The fee for an online course is \$726.97 for 1.0 credit, full year course. (\$363.49 for a 0.5 credit course.)

The fees paid to the online provider are credit based and will be irrespective of the costs of services actually provided to the student.

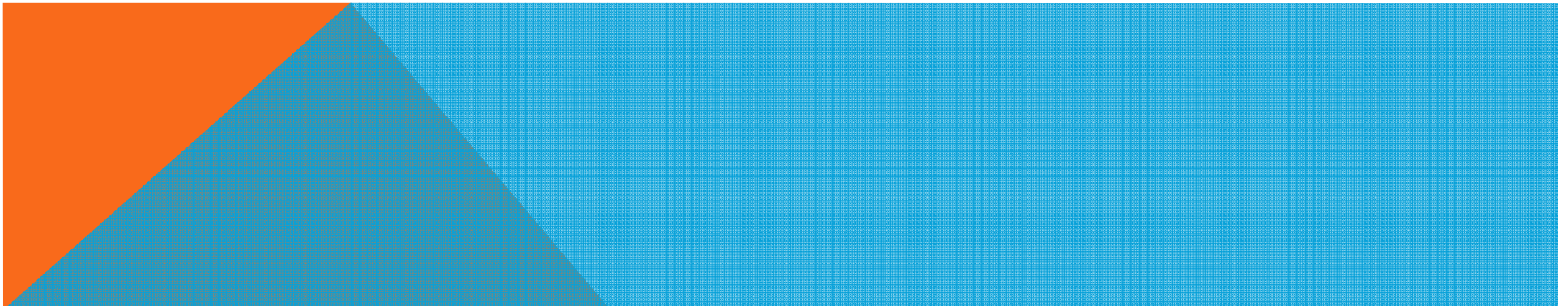
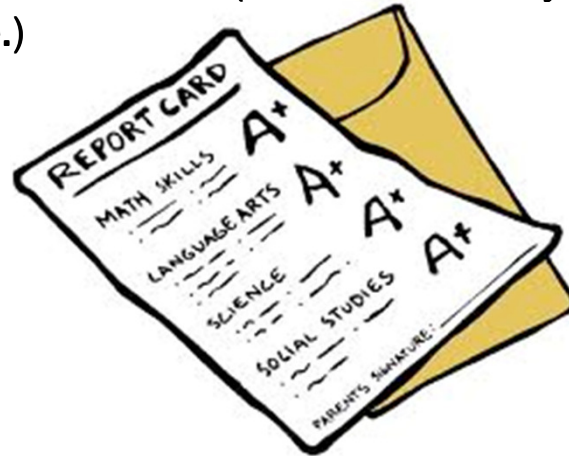


# PAYMENTS TO THE ONLINE PROVIDER

For a one semester course, 50% of the fee is paid to the online provider upon enrollment. (\$181.74)

For a year long course, 25% of the online fee is paid upon enrollment (\$181.74) and another 25% will be paid upon enrollment of the second semester.

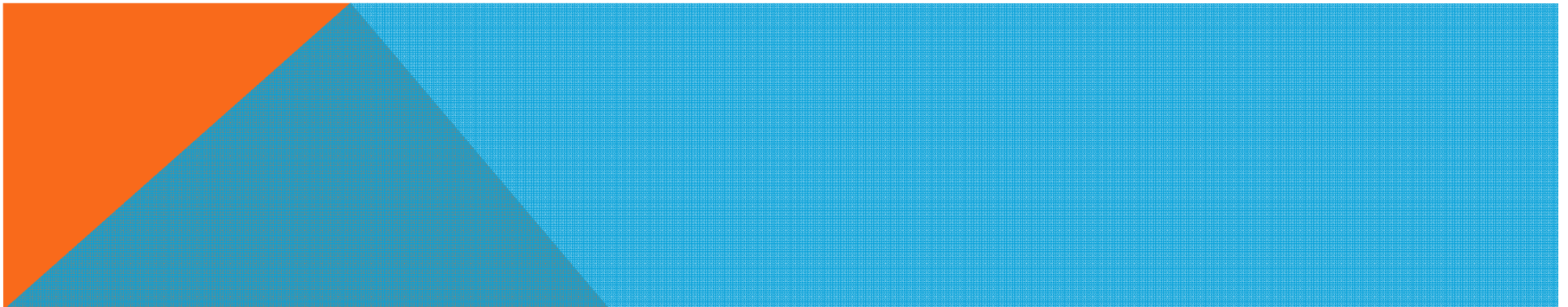
The remaining 50% of the funding is paid to the provider when the student completes the course within the appropriate time frame. (\$363.49 for the year course and \$181.74 for the semester course.)



# WITHDRAW

A student may withdraw from an online course within 10 days of the enrollment confirmation from USOE stating that the CCA has been fully executed.

The provider must then refund the money if a student drops to course within that time frame.

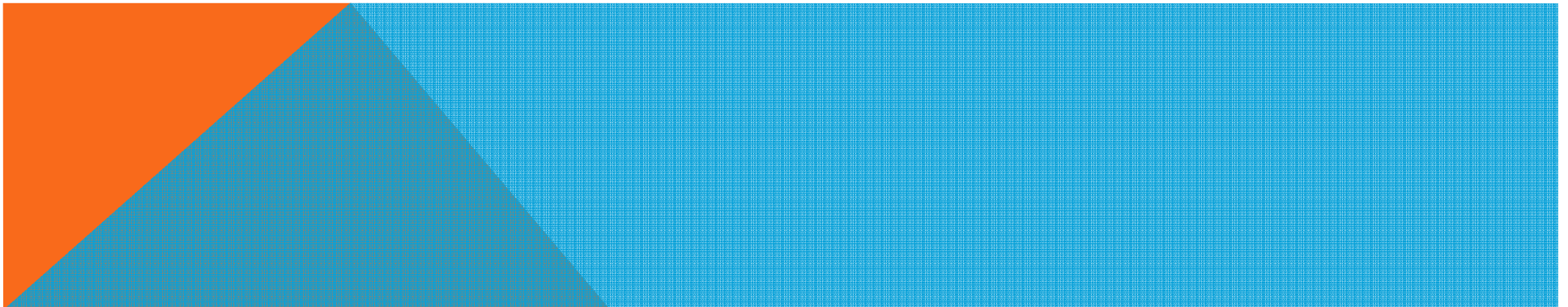


# EXCEPTIONS TO THE CREDIT LIMIT

Because students are limited to the number of course they would be taking if they had a full day schedule at a campus school, online classes would require them to take less classes at the brick and mortar school unless the fall under two circumstances.



- 1) If the student plans to graduate from high school or exit early and is working to complete the necessary requirements.
- 2) The student has an SEOP (Student Education/Occupation Plan) that incorporates additional classes in the plan to graduate early.

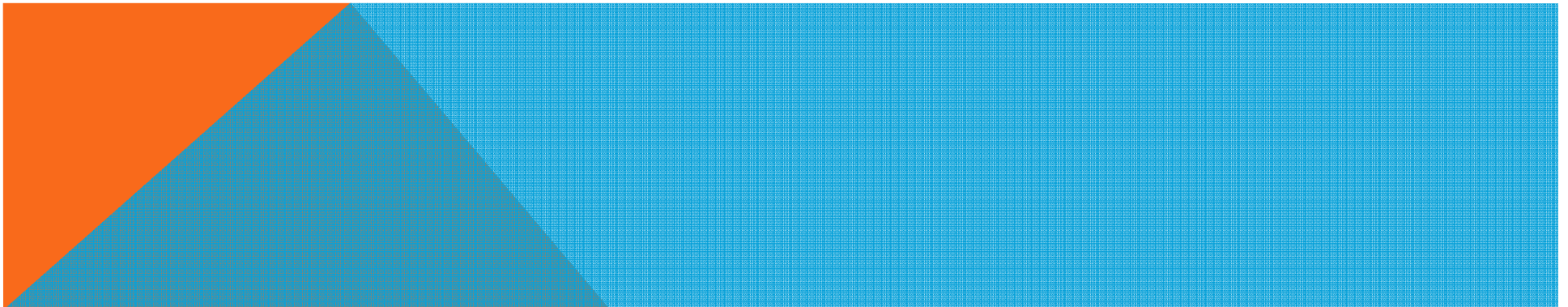


# CHANGES IN EDUCATION

SB65 has created more educational options for students in Utah with courses and schedules that were not as available to them before.

We now have 24 approved online providers listed on the state website and we expect that list to continue to grow in the coming years.

Competition is raising the bar of education and allowing students to choose new paths better suited for their needs.



# MORE OPTIONS IN EDUCATION

Some districts have collaborated together, forming a cohort to help fund an online education program for Utah students.

Other districts have created their own online education program in an effort to meet the needs of the students who want to take online classes.



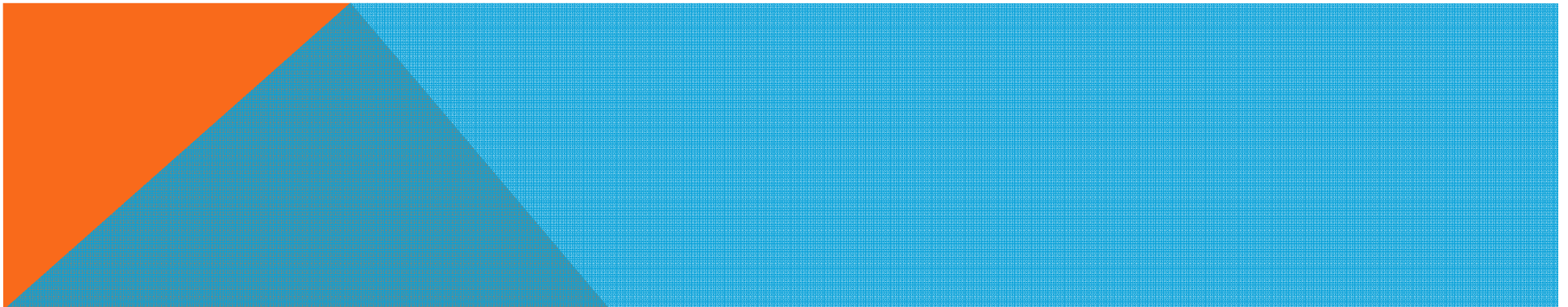


## **PROVO ESCHOOL**

**Provo School District is one of the 24 approved online education providers who bring online courses to Utah students.**

**Though eSchool has been available to Provo School District residents who are homebound or home-schooling for the past two years, Senate Bill 65 gave us the push we needed to expand our online school.**

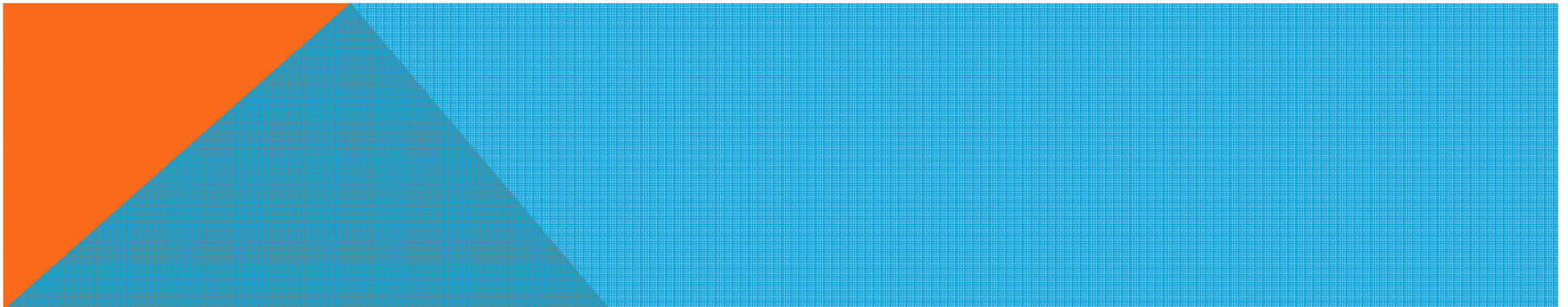
**Provo eSchool now offers online classes to all students, grades K-12, in Provo School District. Though Senate Bill 65 limits the number of classes a non-resident student can take, we do not limit those who are within our district boundaries.**



# DUAL ENROLLMENT

Provo eSchool's Dual Enrollment program allows students within Provo School District to take as many classes online as they want within the full day credit limit we are funded for by the state.

We offer over 400 courses that cover everything from core classes to innovative technology courses, foreign languages, and even AP classes to earn college credit.



# REMINDERS

Overall, the point and purpose of Senate Bill 65 is to expand the options for Utah students education.

The process is set up the way it is to ensure every course is to give the Primary LEA the heads up regarding students enrollment.

When a student comes into our office, we cannot show preference to one online school or another.

We cannot restrict a student from enrolling online when the course fulfills the graduation requirements and is consistent with the SEOP or post secondary plans.

