Central Connecticut State University Announces Implementation of a Credit Card Convenience Fee

On April 7, 2011 the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System passed Board Resolution #11-33 concerning FY2011-12 Tuition and Fees. Included in this resolution is a 2.5% convenience fee on credit card transactions. Central Connecticut State University will implement this policy change effective October 1, 2011. Central recognizes that many students and families appreciate the convenience of using a credit card therefore payment by credit card will remain as a payment option, however, a non-refundable convenience fee will now be applied.

**Effective October 1, 2011** the following payment options are available:

1. **ELECTRONIC CHECK** – Online payment by eCheck/ACH uses funds directly from a checking or savings account. Payments by eCheck are secure, instantly applied to the account and are processed on CCSU’s behalf through the QuickPAY eBill/ePayment system without assessment of any fees.

2. **CREDIT CARD** - Discover and MasterCard credit cards will be accepted; due to Visa restrictions *Visa* credit cards, however, will no longer be accepted. Credit card payments will be processed on CCSU’s behalf through the QuickPAY eBill/ePayment service which has been certified compliant with credit card security regulations ensuring continued security for students and authorized users’ financial data. For all credit card transactions CCSU will assess a 2.5% non-refundable convenience fee.

   **Please note:**
   - Payment by credit card will no longer be permitted when paying in person, by mail or fax. Credit card payment will only be accepted online.
   - Debit card transactions, also accepted online only, will be processed as a credit card transaction and therefore subject to the same 2.5% convenience fee.

3. **IN-PERSON.** Payments in-person by cash, check or money order can be presented at the Bursar’s Office during regular business hours. While credit card payments will no longer be accepted for in-person payments, computer kiosks are located in the Bursar’s Office where credit card payments can be made. The non-refundable convenience fee will apply.
4. BY MAIL. Check and money order payments can be mailed to the following address:
   Central Connecticut State University
   Bursar’s Office
   P O Box 4010
   New Britain, CT 06050-4010

In addition to these payment options Central will continue to provide the Central Payment Plan. This flexible payment plan allows assessed charges to be paid in up to 5 installments per term helping students and their families fit these costs into their monthly budgets. You can learn more about Central Payment Plan online at the Bursar’s Office website: [http://www.ccsu.edu/page.cfm?p=4643](http://www.ccsu.edu/page.cfm?p=4643).

For additional information regarding this change, please see the Convenience Fee FAQ on the Bursar’s website, [www.bursar.ccsu.edu](http://www.bursar.ccsu.edu).