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(7) 34 CFR part 85 (Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)).

(8) 34 CFR part 86 (Drug-Free Schools and Campuses).

(b) The regulations in this part 654.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070d-31 *et seq.*)

§ 654.5 What definitions apply?

(a) *Definitions in EDGAR.* The following terms used in this part are defined in 34 CFR 77.1:

EDGAR
Fiscal year
Private
Public
Secretary
State
State educational agency

(b) *Other definitions.* The following definitions also apply to this part:

Award year means the period of time from July 1 of one year through June 30 of the following year.

Cost of attendance has the meaning given that term in section 472 of the HEA.

Full-time student means a student enrolled at an institution of higher education who is carrying a full-time academic workload, as determined by that institution under standards applicable to all students enrolled in that student's program.

HEA means the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

High school graduate means an individual who has—

- (i) A high school diploma;
- (ii) A General Education Development (GED) Certificate; or
- (iii) Any other evidence recognized by the State as the equivalent of a high school diploma.

Institution of higher education means any public or private nonprofit institution of higher education, proprietary institution of higher education, or postsecondary vocational institution, as defined in section 481 of the HEA.

Participating State means a State that has submitted a participation agreement that has been approved by the Secretary.

Scholar means an individual who is selected as a Byrd Scholar.

Scholarship means an award made to a scholar under this part.

Secondary school year means the period of time during which a secondary school is in session, as determined by State law.

Year of study means the period of time during which a full-time student at an institution of higher education is expected to complete the equivalent of one year of course work, as defined by the institution.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070d-31 *et seq.*, 20 U.S.C. 1088)

Subpart B—How Does a State Apply for a Grant?

§ 654.10 What must a State do to apply for a grant?

(a) To apply for a grant under this program, a State must submit a participation agreement to the Secretary for review and approval by the deadline announced annually by the Secretary in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

(b) On the Secretary's approval of its initial participation agreement for fiscal year 1993 or thereafter, a State need not submit a new participation agreement to be considered for funding under this program in subsequent years, except that any changes in the State's criteria and procedures must be incorporated in a revised participation agreement which must be submitted to the Secretary for review and approval.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070d-35)

§ 654.11 What is the content of a participation agreement?

A State's participation agreement must include the following:

(a) A description of the criteria and procedures that the State, through its State educational agency (SEA), plans to use to administer this program in accordance with the requirements of this part, including the criteria and procedures it plans to use to—

(1) Publicize the availability of Byrd scholarships to students in the State, with particular emphasis on procedures designed to ensure that students from low- and moderate-income families

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know about their opportunity for participation in the program;

(2) Select eligible students;

(3) Notify scholars of their selections and scholarship awards;

(4) Monitor the continuing eligibility of scholars;

(5) Disburse scholarship funds in accordance with the requirements of § 654.50; and

(6) Collect scholarship funds improperly disbursed.

(b) Assurances that the SEA will—

(1) Comply with the criteria and procedures in its approved participation agreement;

(2) Submit for the prior written approval of the Secretary any changes in the criteria and procedures in the approved participation agreement; and

(3) Expend the payments it receives under this program only as provided in § 654.3.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070d-35 to 1070d-38)

Subpart C—How Does the Secretary Make a Grant to a State?

§ 654.20 How does the Secretary approve a participation agreement?

The Secretary approves a participation agreement if it contains all of the information and assurances required in § 654.11 and is in compliance with the requirements of this part.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070d-31 *et seq.*)

§ 654.21 How does the Secretary determine the amount of the grant to each participating State?

(a) From the funds appropriated for this program, the Secretary allots to each participating State a grant equal to \$1,500 multiplied by the number of scholarships the Secretary determines to be available to that State on the basis of the formula described in paragraph (b) of this section.

(b) The number of scholarships that the Secretary allots to each participating State for any fiscal year bears the same ratio to the number of scholarships allotted to all participating States as each State's population ages 5 through 17 which is derived from the

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most recently available data from the U.S. Bureau of the Census bears to the population ages 5 through 17 in all participating States, except that—

(1) Not fewer than 10 scholarships are allotted to any participating State; and

(2) The District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Palau) each are allotted 10 scholarships.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070d-34, 1070d-37)

Subpart D—How Does a Student Apply to an SEA for a Scholarship?

§ 654.30 How does a student apply to an SEA for a scholarship?

To apply for a scholarship under this program, a student must follow the application procedures established by the SEA in the student's State of legal residence.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070d-37)

Subpart E—How Does an SEA Select an Eligible Student To Be a Scholar?

§ 654.40 Who is an eligible student?

A student is eligible to be selected as a scholar if he or she—

(a) Is a legal resident of the State to which he or she is applying for a scholarship;

(b)(1) Is a U.S. citizen or national;

(2) Provides evidence from the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service that he or she—

(i) Is a permanent resident of the United States; or

(ii) Is in the United States for other than a temporary purpose with the intention of becoming a citizen or permanent resident; or

(3) Is a permanent resident of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Palau);

(c) Becomes a high school graduate in the same secondary school year in which he or she submits the scholarship application;