

§ 643.22 How does the Secretary evaluate prior experience?

(a) In the case of an application described in § 643.20(a)(2)(i), the Secretary reviews information relating to an applicant's performance under its expiring Talent Search project. This information includes performance reports, audit reports, site visit reports, and project evaluation reports.

(b) The Secretary evaluates the applicant's prior experience in delivering services on the basis of the following criteria:

(1) (3 points) (i) Whether the applicant provided services to the number of participants required to be served under the approved application; and

(ii) Whether two-thirds of all participants served were low-income individuals and potential first-generation college students.

(2) (6 points) The extent to which the applicant met or exceeded its objectives regarding the retention, reentry, and graduation levels of secondary school participants.

(3) (6 points) The extent to which the applicant met or exceeded its objectives regarding the admission or reentry of participants to programs of postsecondary education.

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§ 643.23 How does the Secretary set the amount of a grant?

(a) The Secretary sets the amount of a grant on the basis of—

(1) 34 CFR 75.232 and 75.233, for new grants; and

(2) 34 CFR 75.253, for the second and subsequent years of a project period.

(b) If the circumstances described in section 402A(b)(3) of the HEA exist, the Secretary uses the available funds to set the amount of the grant beginning in fiscal year 1994 at the lesser of—

(1) \$180,000; or

(2) The amount requested by the applicant.

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Subpart D—What Conditions Must Be Met by a Grantee?

§ 643.30 What are allowable costs?

The cost principles that apply to the Talent Search program are in 34 CFR part 74, subpart Q. Allowable costs include the following if they are reasonably related to the objectives of the project:

(a) Transportation, meals, and, if necessary, lodging for participants and staff for—

(1) Visits to postsecondary educational institutions to obtain information relating to the admission of participants to those institutions;

(2) Participation in "College Day" activities; and

(3) Field trips to observe and meet with persons who are employed in various career fields in the target area and who can act as role models for participants.

(b) Purchase of testing materials.

(c) Fees required for college admissions applications or entrance examinations if—

(1) A waiver of the fee is unavailable; and

(2) The fee is paid by the grantee to a third party on behalf of a participant.

(d) In-service training of project staff.

(e) Rental of space if—

(1) Space is not available at the site of the grantee; and

(2) The rented space is not owned by the grantee.

(f) Purchase of computer hardware, computer software, or other equipment for student development, project administration, and recordkeeping, if the applicant demonstrates to the Secretary's satisfaction that the equipment is required to meet the objectives of the project more economically or efficiently.

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§ 643.31 What are unallowable costs?

Costs that are unallowable under the Talent Search program include, but are not limited to, the following:

(a) Tuition, stipends, and other forms of direct financial support for participants.

(b) Application fees for financial aid.