

CHAPTER 4830
HIGHER EDUCATION SERVICES OFFICE
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

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4830.0100 DEFINITIONS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

Subpart 1. **Scope.** For the purposes of chapters 4800, 4810, and this chapter, the terms defined in this part have the meanings given them unless specifically provided otherwise.

Subp. 1a. **Academic year.** "Academic year" means a period of time in which a full-time student is expected to complete:

A. the equivalent of at least two semesters, two trimesters, or three quarters at an institution that measures academic progress in credit hours and uses a semester, trimester, or quarter system;

B. at least 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours at an institution that measures academic progress in credit hours but does not use a semester, trimester, or quarter system; or

C. at least 900 clock hours at an institution that measures academic progress in clock hours.

Subp. 2. **Office.** "Office" means the Higher Education Services Office.

Subp. 2a. **Certificate program.** "Certificate program" means a program that is:

A. offered by an eligible school as defined in part 4830.0300, subpart 1;

B. at least 12 quarter credits or the equivalent, or 300 clock hours for clock hour schools; and

C. at least eight weeks long.

Subp. 3. **Dependent student.** "Dependent student" means a student who is not an independent student.

Subp. 3a. **Designated rural area.** "Designated rural area" means the area outside the cities of Duluth, Mankato, Moorhead, Rochester, St. Cloud, and outside the counties of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington.

Subp. 4. **Educational costs.** "Educational costs" means tuition, required fees, room and board, books, and miscellaneous expenses.

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Subp. 5. **Eligible student.** "Eligible student" means a student who meets, at a minimum, all of the following requirements:

A. has not earned a baccalaureate degree and has not entered a graduate school program as a full-time graduate student;

B. is a resident of Minnesota;

C. is not receiving tuition reciprocity benefits while attending a Minnesota post-secondary institution;

D. is enrolled or is intending to enroll as at least a half-time student in an eligible school;

E. is in good standing and making satisfactory academic progress, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.101, subdivision 10;

F. is a permanent resident of the United States, if the student is not a United States citizen; and

G. is not in default, as defined under the applicable loan program, of any educational loan, or, if the student is in default, has made satisfactory arrangements to repay the loan.

Subp. 6. **Director.** "Director" means the director of the office, or office staff who perform duties as assigned by the director.

Subp. 7. **Financial need.** "Financial need" means the amount of monetary assistance necessary for a student to meet educational costs after parental and student contributions, determined by the financial need analysis, are subtracted from the student's educational costs.

Subp. 8. **Financial need analysis.** "Financial need analysis" means a system for analyzing a family's financial strength to determine the expected parental and student contributions to educational costs. The system is a federally approved system or an equivalent need analysis system adopted each year by the office for the appropriate processing year.

Subp. 8a. **Full-time.** "Full-time" means the enrollment level defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.101, subdivision 7a, except that for purposes of work-study grants administered under parts 4830.2000 to 4830.2600, "full-time" means enrollment in a minimum of 12 credits per quarter or semester, or the equivalent.

Subp. 9. **Independent student.** "Independent student" has the meaning given it in the Higher Education Act of 1965, United States Code, title 20, section 1070a-6, and applicable regulations.

Subp. 10. **Minnesota resident.** "Minnesota resident" means:

A. a dependent student whose parent or legal guardian resides in Minnesota on the date of application;

B. an independent student who has resided in Minnesota for other than educational purposes for at least 12 consecutive months without being enrolled at a postsecondary institution for more than five credits in any term prior to the date of application;

C. a student who graduated from a Minnesota high school, if the student was a resident of Minnesota during the student's period of attendance at the Minnesota high school;

D. a student who, after residing in the state for a minimum of one year, earned a high school equivalency certificate in Minnesota; or

E. an independent student who was initially a Minnesota resident as defined in item A and who has continued to reside in Minnesota.

Subp. 10a. **Determination of student residence.** The residence of the parent whose financial information is reported in the financial need analysis determines the residence of the student.

Subp. 11. **Audit requirements.** Audit requirements means that the school must make available to the office and its authorized representatives all pertinent books, documents, papers, and records for audit and examination for three years after the last day of a fiscal year or until audit exceptions for the period are resolved.

Subp. 12. [Repealed, 20 SR 2284]

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.111; 136A.134; 136A.16; 136A.234; 136A.70; 147.30*

History: *8 SR 196; 10 SR 2319; 13 SR 128; 15 SR 1780; 16 SR 2732; 19 SR 1491; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59; 20 SR 2284; 21 SR 1821*

4830.0110 DEFINITIONS FOR SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS.

Subpart 1. **Scope.** For the purposes of parts 4830.0200 to 4830.0700 and 4830.7000 to 4830.7900, the definitions in this part apply to satisfactory academic progress as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.101, subdivision 10.

Subp. 2. **Academic standing consistent with the institution's graduation requirements.** "Academic standing consistent with the institution's graduation requirements" means the student's cumulative grade point average must meet the cumulative grade point average required by the institution for graduation. The institution's graduation requirement may be a fixed cumulative grade point average which is the same for all grade levels or a graduated cumulative grade point average which progresses towards the grade point average required for graduation.

Subp. 3. **Academic year.** "Academic year" means the grade level as defined by the school.

Subp. 4. **Advisor.** "Advisor" means an individual employed by the institution who is qualified to advise students regarding the selection of a major and the requirements necessary for completion of that major.

Subp. 5. **A point between a student's first and second academic year of attendance at an institution.** "A point between a student's first and second academic year of attendance at an institution" means by the end of the first term of the student's second academic year.

Subp. 6. **Certify.** "Certify" means that the student's advisor has verified the student's satisfactory academic progress as specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.101, subdivision 10, clause (2), subclauses (ii) and (iii), by providing the name of the advisor and the date the certification took place.

Subp. 7. **General education requirements.** "General education requirements" means those courses that are required by the institution for graduation in addition to the courses required for the student's major field of study.

Subp. 8. **Reviewed.** "Reviewed" means that the student has communicated to the advisor that the student understands the requirements in Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.101, subdivision 10, clause (2), subclauses (ii) and (iii).

Subp. 9. **Satisfactory progress.** "Satisfactory progress" means the student is meeting the requirements specified in the institution's written policy relating to completion of general education requirements.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01*

History: *20 SR 2284*

STATE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS-IN-AID

4830.0200 SCOPE.

Parts 4830.0200 to 4830.0700 govern state grants.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.16; 136A.233; 136A.234; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196; 8 SR 2335; 9 SR 991; 15 SR 1780*

4830.0300 ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS.

Subpart 1. **Annual list.** Annually the director shall approve a list of schools at which a state grant may be used. Schools may be added to the list by the director anytime during the school year.

Subp. 2. **Requirements.** To be eligible a school must:

A. be located in Minnesota;

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B. offer at least one program that:

- (1) is vocational or academic in nature;
- (2) leads to a certificate or degree;
- (3) is at least eight weeks long; and
- (4) involves at least 12 academic credits or 300 clock hours;

C. be:

- (1) accredited by a federally recognized accrediting agency or association;
- (2) approved to offer degrees or use terms in its name according to part 4840.0500; or

- (3) licensed by an appropriate state agency; and

D. sign an institutional agreement with the director.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.16; 136A.233; 136A.234; 136A.70*

History: 8 SR 196; 8 SR 2335; 9 SR 991; 9 SR 2341; 15 SR 1780; 18 SR 1141; 20 SR 2284

4830.0400 APPLICATION DATES AND STUDENT ELIGIBILITY.

Subpart 1. **Date.** Annually the office shall adopt by resolution a date after February 14, by which all applications must be filed to receive an award.

Subp. 2. [Repealed, 15 SR 1780]

Subp. 2a. **Out-of-state housing.** A student's Minnesota residence is not lost if the student or parent must live outside of Minnesota for purposes of postsecondary education, military service, or missionary work, provided the student or parent continues to claim Minnesota as the state of legal residence for income tax purposes.

Subp. 3. [Repealed, 15 SR 1780]

Subp. 4. **Eligibility for initial grant.** To be eligible for an initial grant a student must be an eligible student, as defined in part 4830.0100, subpart 5, except item D, and:

- A. demonstrate financial need;
- B. if under 17 years old, hold a high school diploma or the equivalent;
- C. pursuing a program or course of study that applies to a degree, diploma, or certificate;

- D. must not have received a previous Minnesota state grant; and

- E. is not more than 30 days in arrears for any child support payments owed to a public agency responsible for child support enforcement or, if the student is more than 30 days in arrears, is complying with a payment plan for arrearages.

Subp. 5. **Renewal awards.** A grant is renewable for a maximum of six semesters, nine quarters, or the equivalent, but must not continue after the first of the following occurrences:

- A. the recipient has obtained a baccalaureate degree; or

- B. the recipient has been enrolled on a full-time basis for eight semesters, 12 quarters, or the equivalent, taking into account the exclusions specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.121, subdivision 9.

To be eligible to renew a grant a student must apply each year and continue to meet the requirements for an initial grant, except for subpart 4, item D. A student must have made satisfactory academic progress as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.101, subdivision 10.

Subp. 5a. **Child support arrearages.** A grant is not renewable if the recipient is more than 30 days in arrears for any child support payment owed to a public agency responsible for child support enforcement and not subject to a payment plan for arrearages or not in compliance with a payment plan for the arrearages.

Subp. 6. [Repealed, 18 SR 1141]

Subp. 7. **Minnesota correctional institution.** "Minnesota correctional institution" means a federal or state penal institution located in Minnesota in which students are eligible for grants under this rule pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.121, subdivision 6.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.111; 136A.134; 136A.16; 136A.234; 136A.70; 147.30*

History: *8 SR 196; 8 SR 2335; 9 SR 991; 10 SR 2319; 13 SR 128; 15 SR 1780; 16 SR 1822; 18 SR 1141; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59; 20 SR 2284*

4830.0500 [Repealed, 18 SR 1141]

4830.0600 AWARDS.

Subpart 1. **Monetary awards.** The amount of a grant may not exceed an applicant's recognized cost of attendance, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.121, subdivision 6, after deducting the following:

A. The assigned student responsibility of at least 50 percent of the cost of attending the institution of the applicant's choosing.

B. For an applicant who is a dependent student, a contribution by the applicant's parents, as determined by the federal need analysis.

C. For an applicant who is an independent student, the student contribution as determined by the federal need analysis.

D. An estimate of the amount of a federal Pell grant award for which the applicant is eligible.

Subp. 1a. **Minimum.** The minimum award amount shall be \$300.

Subp. 1b. [Repealed, 13 SR 128]

Subp. 1c. [Repealed, 13 SR 128]

Subp. 1d. [Repealed, 13 SR 128]

Subp. 2. **Adjustments to awards.** If financial need decreases because a recipient chooses a different school after the grant award is offered, the award shall be reduced. If a change in schools causes financial need to increase, the award shall be increased only if funds are available.

Subp. 3. [Repealed, 10 SR 2319]

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.111; 136A.134; 136A.16; 136A.234; 136A.70; 147.30*

History: *8 SR 196; 8 SR 2335; 9 SR 991; 10 SR 2319; 13 SR 128; 15 SR 1780; 20 SR 2284*

4830.0700 METHOD OF PAYMENT.

Subpart 1. **Payments to schools.** After a grant award is determined, the award amount shall be sent by the director to the school chosen by the recipient or the school shall withdraw the award amount from its state grant account. The school shall apply the award to the recipient's educational costs in the following order: tuition, fees, books, supplies, and other expenses. The costs must be prorated for each term of the academic year. The school shall notify each recipient that the award is ready for disbursement.

Subp. 2. **Refunds.** A grant is awarded for full-time attendance at a specified school for up to four quarters or three semesters within the state fiscal year. If a recipient fails to enroll or reduces enrollment, the school must refund the unused portion of the award. If the director determines that a school has fraudulently handled grant money, the refund of the unused portion of the award is immediately due, and the office may institute a civil action for recovery if necessary. Refunds to the office are determined as follows:

A. calculate the percentage the state grant award represents of the student's total financial aid package for the applicable term, excluding funds received from federal Title IV programs, United States Code, title 20, sections 1070-1099;

B. calculate the total tuition refund amount using the refund calculation required of schools participating in federal Title IV programs;

C. subtract the federal aid programs' refund amount from item B to determine the remaining tuition refund amount; and

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D. multiply the percentage in item A by the amount calculated in item C to determine the amount to be refunded to the state grant program.

Refunded money to the state grant program is available for awards to eligible students.

Subp. 3. **School accounting requirements.** Schools shall maintain separate accounts for grant funds. Refunds to the state grant program must be accompanied with a list stating the social security number, name, award type, amount of refund, term, and refund code for each student included in the refund. The refund must be made to the program within 30 days from the end of the academic term, or 30 days from the date the school is notified of a student's withdrawal, whichever is less. Schools must provide evidence, prepared according to generally accepted accounting principles, that all awards have either been distributed or refunded to the program.

Subp. 4. **Recovery of overpayments.** An overpayment occurs when a grant recipient receives more money than the recipient is eligible to receive under the award calculation. A grant recipient shall reimburse the state grant program for overpayment regardless of the cause. The overpayment amount is the difference between the amount received and the calculated award eligibility. The reimbursement amount includes any costs or expenses incurred by the office in collecting the debt, including reasonable attorney fees. The reimbursement is recoverable from the recipient or the recipient's estate. The office may institute a civil action for recovery if necessary.

The recipient must not receive additional awards until the overpayment is recovered or the recipient is making payments under an approved plan. Additional awards for which the recipient is eligible may be used to recover an unreimbursed overpayment.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.111; 136A.134; 136A.16; 136A.234; 136A.70; 147.30*

History: *8 SR 196; 9 SR 991; 10 SR 2319; 13 SR 128; 15 SR 1780; 18 SR 2482; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59; 20 SR 2284*

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WORK-STUDY GRANTS

4830.2000 SCOPE.

Parts 4830.2000 to 4830.2600 govern state work-study grants.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196*

4830.2100 ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS.

Schools eligible for work–study grants are the same schools eligible for state grants under part 4830.0300.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.16; 136A.233; 136A.234; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196; 15 SR 1780*

4830.2200 APPLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FOR GRANTS.

Subpart 1. **Application by schools.** A school desiring funds for work–study grants must request funds by June 30 each year. The school must submit its estimate of the amount needed to meet eligible student needs for the following school year.

Subp. 2. **Allocation formula.** Funds shall be allocated to each school according to the following formula:

A. resident full–time equivalent enrollment of each school, divided by the total resident full–time equivalent enrollment of all participating eligible schools;

B. multiplied by the current fiscal year's appropriation for work–study grants; and

C. multiplied by the percent of funds for work–study grants actually used by that school during the prior school year.

“Resident full–time equivalent enrollment” means the Minnesota resident full–year enrollment for the year prior to the academic year for which work–study funds are allocated.

Subp. 3. **Modification of allocations.** The director shall allocate funds equal to a school's estimated need if the estimated need is less than the amount determined by the allocation formula.

Subp. 4. **Accountability.** Each participating school shall be accountable for any funds disbursed to students for work–study grants. Funds may be used only during the fiscal year of disbursement. The school must document its efforts to place students with off–campus employers. The percent of the school's allocation provided to graduate students shall not exceed the percent of graduate students in the total enrollment at the participating school.

Subp. 5. **Unused funds.** The school must return funds which the school determines will not be used within 30 days from the date of a request by the director. The director shall reallocate the funds to other participating schools requesting additional funds.

Subp. 6. **Reallocation.** The director shall reallocate funds using the formula specified in subpart 2, items A and B.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.111; 136A.16; 136A.234; 136A.70; 147.30*

History: *8 SR 196; 10 SR 2319; 15 SR 1780; 18 SR 1849; 20 SR 2572*

4830.2300 WORK–STUDY GRANTS.

A school shall determine if a student is eligible for a work–study grant. To be eligible a student must meet the requirements of part 4830.0100, subpart 5, items B, C, D (as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.101, subdivision 7b), E, and F. Priority must be given to students enrolled for at least 12 credits. A student employed during periods of nonenrollment must sign a statement of intent to enroll at least half–time for the next term or provide proof of registration for the next term.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.111; 136A.16; 136A.234; 136A.70; 147.30*

History: *8 SR 196; 10 SR 2319; 15 SR 1780; 16 SR 1822; 18 SR 1849; 20 SR 2572*

4830.2400 EMPLOYMENT TERMS; AMOUNT OF GRANTS.

Subpart 1. **Eligible employers.** A work–study grant recipient may be employed on–campus by the school or off–campus by any of the following:

A. a nonprofit, nonsectarian agency located in Minnesota;

B. a person who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits at least one life activity and who could benefit from student assistance in or about the home; or

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C. a person over 65 years old who could benefit from student assistance in or about the home.

Subp. 2. **Amount.** The maximum a student may earn through a work-study grant is the amount of the student's financial need. If a school finds it necessary to replace any portion of a student's family contribution with a work-study grant, the school must place written documentation supporting the decision in the student's file at the school.

Subp. 3. **Hourly wages.** Beginning July 1, 1993, not less than 25 percent of the amount earned by a student shall be paid by the employer, with the actual percentage determined by the school in consultation with the employer. A student shall be paid for hours actually worked at an hourly rate agreed to by the employer and the student, with the approval of the school. However, the student must be paid at least the state minimum wage, if the federal minimum wage is not applicable. Student earnings must be paid according to federal regulations governing payment of student earnings under the federal work-study program.

Subp. 4. **Replacement of permanent employee.** A public employer other than the institution may not terminate, lay off, or reduce the working hours of a permanent employee to hire a work-study student, or replace a permanent employee who is laid off from the same or substantially the same job by hiring a work-study student.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.111; 136A.16; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196; 16 SR 1822; 18 SR 1849*

4830.2500 CONTRACTS WITH EMPLOYERS.

Subpart 1. **Off-campus employer contract.** Before a student begins work, the school and off-campus employer shall sign a contract affirming the eligibility of the employer and agreeing to abide by applicable law and rules.

Subp. 2. **Contents of work contract.** The student, school, and employer shall sign a contract setting forth the nature of the work, number of hours of employment, hourly rate of pay, percentage of earnings to be paid by the employer, maximum payment by the employer, pay and time records, payroll, and workers' compensation. Time records must be signed by the student and the employment supervisor.

Subp. 3. **Review and comment.** All contracts signed by the school and employers are subject to review and comment by the director.

Subp. 4. **Supervision.** The school, with the employer, must develop for each work-study assignment a program of supervision consistent with the nature of the assignment and the needs of the individual student. Upon request, the school must submit the program of supervision to the director for review and comment.

Subp. 5. **Reasonable effort.** An institution must make a reasonable effort to place a student in eligible off-campus employment. The institution must document its efforts with documents such as:

A. copies of correspondence with eligible employers; and

B. notes of telephone contact with eligible employers. This shall include name of person contacted and date.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.111 subd 2; 136A.16; 136A.234; 136A.70; 147.30*

History: *8 SR 196; 10 SR 2319; 15 SR 1780; 20 SR 2572*

4830.2600 REPORTS BY SCHOOL.

The school must collect demographic and program activity data as specified by the director. The school shall provide the director with individual student data upon request.

End of year program activity and student data reports are required by the director. The school must correctly complete and submit these reports and any applicable refunds to the director by the first working day after August 9. The director shall withhold the school's subsequent year's allocation if the above deadline date is not met.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.111; 136A.134; 136A.16; 136A.234; 136A.70; 147.30*

History: *8 SR 196; 10 SR 2319; 13 SR 128; 15 SR 1780; 20 SR 2572*

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ASSISTANCE FOR STUDENT DEPENDENTS OF POW'S AND MIA'S

4830.4000 SCOPE.

Parts 4830.4000 to 4830.4200 govern state financial assistance for students in postsecondary school who are dependents of prisoners of war and persons missing in action.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196*

4830.4100 ELIGIBLE STUDENTS AND VERIFICATION.

Subpart 1. **Eligibility.** To be eligible for financial assistance for dependents of prisoners of war and persons missing in action, all of the following requirements must be met:

A. The student must be registered for an undergraduate program leading to a bachelor's degree or certificate of completion.

B. The student must attend a school located in Minnesota. The school may be a state university, community college, public technical college, or the University of Minnesota. If the school is a private school it must be eligible to participate in the state student loan program according to part 4830.5100.

C. The student must be one of the following:

(1) the spouse of a prisoner of war or person missing in action;

(2) a child born before or during the time the parent served as a prisoner of war or was declared a person missing in action; or

(3) a child legally adopted or in the legal custody of the parent before and during the time the parent served as a prisoner of war or was declared a person missing in action.

Subp. 2. **Verification of status.** In cooperation with the commissioner of veterans' affairs, a school must verify, on behalf of a student applying for assistance, that the student meets the requirements in subpart 1, item C. A prisoner of war or person missing in action means a person who was a Minnesota resident at the time of entering service of the United States Armed Forces, or whose official residence is within Minnesota, and who, while serving in the United States Armed Forces, has been declared to be a prisoner of war or a person missing in action as established by the secretary of defense after August 1, 1958. Verification must include the determination of residency. A discharge form, notarized statement from the student's parent, or other documentation may be required to show residency. In addition, a student may be required to provide a copy of a birth certificate, marriage certificate, or other document showing the student meets the requirement of subpart 1, item C. No situation, including return or reported death of the parent or spouse, can remove a person who qualifies as a dependent from the provisions or benefits provided by law.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196; L 1987 c 258 s 12; L 1989 c 246 s 2*

4830.4200 AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE.

Subpart 1. **State-supported school.** A state-supported school shall waive full tuition and fees for an eligible student.

Subp. 2. **Private school.** A private school shall request payment from the office for each eligible student. The payment to the private school for each student shall not exceed \$250 per 12 months.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59*

STATE STUDENT LOANS

4830.5000 SCOPE.

Parts 4830.5000 to 4830.5400 govern state loans to postsecondary students.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196*

4830.5100 ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS.

Schools eligible for funds for student loans are public or private postsecondary schools in any state, approved by the United States secretary of education in accordance with requirements of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, published in United States Code, title 20, chapter 28.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196*

4830.5200 ELIGIBLE STUDENTS.

Subpart 1. In general. To be eligible for a state student loan, a student must meet all of the following requirements:

- A. is eligible for the guaranteed student loan program created by the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, published in United States Code, title 20, chapter 28;
- B. is enrolled at least half-time;
- C. is in good standing, as determined by the school;
- D. lives in Minnesota during the school period for which the loan is approved, for a student who is not a Minnesota resident;
- E. has a loan refusal letter from a commercial lender when applying for a loan for the first time as an undergraduate student; and
- F. is one of the following:
 - (1) enrolled in an eligible school in Minnesota; or
 - (2) a Minnesota resident enrolled in an eligible school in any other state.

Subp. 2. [Repealed, 10 SR 2319]

Subp. 3. Students in default. A student is not eligible for a loan if the student is currently in default on a student loan or has a default claim filed with the guarantee agency at the time of application unless the student has made repayment arrangements satisfactory to the guarantee agency and the office.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111 subd 2; 136A.16 subd 2; 136A.234; 136A.70; 147.30*

History: *8 SR 196; 10 SR 2319; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59*

4830.5300 SCHOOL AGREEMENTS AND STUDENT APPLICATIONS.

Subpart 1. Origination agreement. Before approving loans to students at a school, the school and executive director shall execute a loan origination agreement. A school is considered to have originated a loan if the school determines who receives a loan and the loan amount or if the school, at the request of the lender, verifies the identity of the borrower or completes forms normally completed by the lender. The origination agreement must specify the school's responsibility for proper delivery of loans to students. It must also designate a school representative who is responsible for performance of the following activities:

- A. complete and certify the school section of a loan application;
- B. assist the office by providing loan counseling to students;
- C. assist the office by counseling students about their obligations when accepting a loan;
- D. deliver loan disbursements to students; and

E. promptly notify the office when a borrower does not attend school at least half-time.

Subp. 2. **Termination.** The executive director may terminate an agreement with a school upon determining that continuation of the agreement is not in the best interests of the state student loan program.

Subp. 3. **Application, guarantee, and note.** The student and school must complete appropriate parts of the application and promissory note and send them to the office for its review. The office must complete the lender's part of the application and send it to the guarantee agency. The guarantee agency must determine the loan amount it will guarantee. Once the loan amount has been guaranteed, the office must send the loan amount to the school as prescribed in the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111 subd 2; 136A.16 subd 2; 136A.234; 136A.70; 147.30*

History: *8 SR 196; 10 SR 2319; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59*

4830.5400 AMOUNT, TERMS, AND PAYMENT.

Subpart 1. **Maximum and minimum amounts.** The maximum loan for a loan period and the aggregate principal balance of loans shall be those prescribed in the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, published in United States Code, title 20, chapter 28. The minimum amount of a loan shall be \$250.

Subp. 2. **Duration.** A loan shall not be approved for a loan period in excess of 12 months.

Subp. 3. **Repayment.** The interest rate, terms, and conditions of repayment shall be those prescribed by the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, published in United States Code, title 20, chapter 28.

Subp. 4. **Date of payments.** No check shall be dated more than 30 days before the beginning of the loan period for which the loan is made. A school shall not deliver a check to a student until after the loan period has begun. No payment shall be made after the loan period expires.

Subp. 5. **Failure to enroll, transfer, or withdraw.** The school shall return checks for students who have not enrolled within 30 days of the date enrollment is determined. If a student transfers to another school or withdraws from school before a check is received, the loan is canceled. A student may reapply for a loan at another school. If a student who has received a check does not attend school for the intended loan period, the loan shall be immediately due and payable.

Subp. 6. **Refunds.** Refunds from schools to the office must be made as prescribed in the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111 subd 2; 136A.16 subd 2; 136A.234; 136A.70; 147.30*

History: *8 SR 196; 10 SR 2319; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59*

PRIVATE COLLEGE CONTRACTS

4830.6000 SCOPE.

Parts 4830.6000 to 4830.6400 govern the state program of contracts with private colleges for education of Minnesota residents.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196*

4830.6100 ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS.

Annually the office shall adopt by resolution a list of schools eligible for a contract. To be eligible a school must meet all of the following requirements:

- A. be a private institution of higher education;
- B. be located in Minnesota;

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C. not be operated for profit;

D. not be an institution or department or branch of an institution whose program is specifically to prepare students to become ministers of religion, to enter upon some other religious vocation, or to prepare to teach theological subjects;

E. grant an associate degree or higher degree; and

F. be either of the following:

(1) fully accredited or making satisfactory progress toward full accreditation by the North Central Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges; or

(2) determined by the office to maintain programs and standards substantially equivalent to the institutions in Minnesota which are fully accredited.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59*

4830.6200 CONTRACTS.

Subpart 1. **Content.** The executive director shall offer contracts to all eligible schools. The contract must specify the responsibilities of the school, the services it is to provide, and the terms and conditions of receiving payment for the services.

Subp. 2. **Students eligible.** The contract must be for students who meet all the following requirements:

A. are enrolled full-time in the fall term according to the standards of the school, but for not less than 12 credits or the equivalent;

B. are enrolled in an eligible program; and

C. are either one of the following:

(1) dependent upon the financial support of parents or guardians who have resided in Minnesota for not less than 12 months prior to admission at the school; or

(2) independent of parental or guardian's financial support and have resided in Minnesota, for purposes other than obtaining an education, for not less than 12 consecutive months prior to admission at the school.

Subp. 3. **Eligible programs notarized.** As a condition of the contract, the chief executive officer and an officer of the governing board of each school must provide a notarized statement that programs included in the contract meet the following criteria:

A. must lead to an associate or bachelor's degree or to a prebaccalaureate diploma;

B. must be at least one academic year in duration; and

C. may provide for the scholarly study of religion as a discipline of knowledge in a manner similar to that provided for any field of study, but it may not require a student to:

(1) take courses based upon a particular set of religious beliefs;

(2) receive instruction intended to propagate or promote any religious beliefs;

(3) participate in religious activities;

(4) maintain affiliation with a particular church or religious organization; or

(5) attest to any particular religious beliefs.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196*

4830.6300 CERTIFICATION OF THE NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE STUDENTS.

The chief executive officer of each school must certify as of the tenth class day of the fall term the exact number of Minnesota residents who are enrolled in programs meeting the criteria in part 4830.6200, subpart 3. Each school must maintain adequate records demonstrating the method of calculating the number of students. The records and underlying documents must be available to the office for inspection.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59*

4830.6400 PAYMENT.

Subpart 1. **Amount of payment.** The executive director shall pay, for each eligible student who is not a state grant-in-aid recipient, \$120 per student in a school granting an associate degree but not a bachelor's degree and \$150 per student in a school granting a bachelor's degree. In addition, the executive director shall pay, for each eligible student who is a state grant-in-aid recipient, \$400 per student in a school which grants an associate degree but not a bachelor's degree and \$500 per student in a school which grants a bachelor's degree. However, if the appropriation is insufficient to pay the full amount, the executive director shall reduce the payments in a manner which maintains the ratios among the four categories of students.

Subp. 2. **Time of payment.** Ninety percent of the payment shall be made in the winter. It shall be calculated by using the number of eligible students, certified by the school and verified by the executive director, and the preliminary number of fall grant-in-aid recipients. The final payment shall be made in the spring. It shall be based on the final number of fall grant-in-aid recipients and shall include any required adjustments.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.111; 136A.121; 136A.132; 136A.141; 136A.233; 136A.70*

History: *8 SR 196*

4830.6500 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

4830.6510 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

4830.6520 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

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4830.6620 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

CHILD CARE GRANTS**4830.7000 SCOPE.**

Parts 4830.7000 to 4830.7900 govern state assistance to institutions to reduce the cost of child care for eligible students attending eligible postsecondary institutions.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.125*

History: *14 SR 2789*

4830.7100 DEFINITIONS.

Subpart 1. **Scope.** The definitions in this part apply for the purposes of parts 4830.7000 to 4830.7900.

Subp. 2. **Continuing enrollment.** "Continuing enrollment" means that a student has not had an interruption in enrollment at the institution in which the student is currently enrolled for more than one academic term or 60 days of the immediately preceding academic year, whichever is longer. A student may miss one academic term and summer school and not lose continuing enrollment status.

Subp. 2a. **Eligible child.** "Eligible child" means a child who is 12 years of age or younger, or 14 years of age or younger who is disabled as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 120.03, and who is receiving or will receive care on a regular basis from a provider of child care services as those terms are defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 256H.01, subdivisions 2 and 12.

Subp. 3. [Repealed, 19 SR 1636]

Subp. 4. [Repealed, 19 SR 1636]

Subp. 5. **Eligible student.** "Eligible student" means a student who:

A. has a child 12 years of age or younger, or 14 years of age or younger who is handicapped as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 120.03, and who is receiving or will receive care on a regular basis from a provider of child care services as those terms are de-

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fined in Minnesota Statutes, section 256H.01, subdivisions 2 and 12, after the grant is received;

B. is a resident of Minnesota as defined in part 4830.0400, subpart 2;

C. is not receiving tuition reciprocity;

D. is not a recipient of aid to families with dependent children (AFDC);

E. has not earned a baccalaureate degree or has not been enrolled full time in any postsecondary institution more than eight semesters, 12 quarters, or the equivalent;

F. is pursuing a nonsectarian program or course of study that applies to an undergraduate degree, diploma, or certificate;

G. is enrolled at least half time in an eligible institution for the term for which an award is received;

H. is in good academic standing and making satisfactory academic progress, as defined by the institution according to federal requirements;

I. reports any changes to data reported on the child care application within ten days of the change; and

J. is not in default, as defined under the applicable loan program, of any educational loan, or, if the student is in default, has made satisfactory arrangements to repay the loan with the holder of the note.

Subp. 5a. Family income and family size. "Family income and family size" means the income and family size used to determine an award from the state grant program under parts 4830.0200 to 4830.0700.

Subp. 6. Nonsectarian program. "Nonsectarian program" means a program of study that is not specifically designed to prepare students to become ministers of religion, to enter some other religious vocation, or to prepare them to teach theological subjects. A nonsectarian program may provide for the scholarly study of religion as a discipline of knowledge in a manner similar to that provided for any other field of study, but must not require its students to take courses that are based on a particular set of religious beliefs, to receive instruction intended to propagate or promote any religious beliefs, to participate in religious activities, to maintain affiliation with a particular church or religious organization, or to attest to any particular religious beliefs.

Subp. 7. Institution's share. "Institution's share" means the number of students in an eligible institution who have applied for the state grant program under parts 4830.0200 to 4830.0700 for the most recent academic year available and who have reported dependent children.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.125*

History: *14 SR 2789; 19 SR 1636*

4830.7200 ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS.

Institutions eligible for child care grants are Minnesota public postsecondary institutions and Minnesota private baccalaureate degree granting colleges or universities or Minnesota nonprofit two-year vocational technical schools granting associate degrees that have signed a child care program agreement with the office.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.125*

History: *14 SR 2789; 19 SR 1636; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59; 20 SR 2284*

4830.7300 STUDENT PRIORITY.

A student who has received an award from the program in the immediately preceding academic year and who has had continuing enrollment at that institution since the time that the non-AFDC child care award was given must be given a child care award for the next academic year if the student remains eligible and funds are available. A student shall apply for a continuation of funds by the deadline date established by the school or lose priority ranking for the funds over students who did not apply for a continuation of funds by the established deadline and eligible students applying for a child care grant for the first time.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.125*

History: *14 SR 2789; 19 SR 1636*

4830.7400 APPLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FOR GRANTS.

Subpart 1. **Initial allocation formula.** Funds shall be allocated to each eligible institution according to the following formula:

A. the institution's share divided by the sum of participating institutions' shares; and

B. multiplied by the current fiscal year's appropriation for child care grants.

Subp. 2. **Yearly allocation to institutions.** Funds shall be allocated to each eligible institution according to the following formula:

A. the institution's share divided by the sum of participating institutions' shares;

B. multiplied by the current fiscal year's appropriation for child care grants;

C. multiplied by the percent of funds for child care grants actually used by the institution during the prior academic year.

Subp. 3. **Reallocation.** The office shall reallocate available funds at least twice during the academic year to institutions requesting additional child care funds according to the following formula:

A. the institution's share divided by the sum of the shares of institutions requesting additional funds; and

B. multiplied by the amount of child care funds available for reallocation.

Subp. 4. **Administrative expense.** By July 1 of each year, the office shall set the percentage of awarded child care grant funds that may be used for administration of the child care program by the office and the institution. The percent of funds taken for the administration of the non-AFDC child care program shall be based on the net amount spent on child care grant awards for that fiscal year.

Subp. 5. **Notification.** The office shall notify each participating institution in writing of allocation and reallocation amounts.

Subp. 6. **Accountability.** Each participating institution shall be accountable for any funds disbursed to students for child care grants. Funds may be used only during the fiscal year of disbursement. If a student does not use a grant because the student does not enroll or withdraws from the institution, the institution may use the funds for other eligible students or return them to the office.

Subp. 7. **Unused funds.** An institution shall return funds that the institution determines will not be used within 30 days from the date of a request by the office. The office shall reallocate unused funds to other participating institutions requesting additional funds.

Subp. 8. [Repealed, 19 SR 1636]

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.125; 136A.16; 136A.234*

History: *14 SR 2789; 15 SR 1925; 19 SR 1636; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59; 20 SR 2284*

4830.7500 AMOUNT AND TERM OF GRANTS.

Subpart 1. [Repealed, 19 SR 1636]

Subp. 2. **Amount.** The amount of a grant must be based on:

A. the cost of child care for all children 12 years old or younger, or 14 years old or younger if the child is handicapped as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 120.03;

B. the provider's charge up to a maximum rate established each year by the office;

C. the student's enrollment status;

D. the age of the children; and

E. the award chart prepared by the office.

The institution shall estimate the amount of child care needed for the academic year and summer terms, and may add an amount up to that estimated cost to the institution's normal student budget used to calculate the student's financial need. The non-AFDC child care grant and other forms of financial aid may be used to pay for the child care if the expense is not covered by other funds.

Subp. 2a. **Academic year award.** The amount of the grant per eligible child for the academic year must be the amount shown on the following chart:

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Total Income less than	Family Size 2	Family Size 3	Family Size 4	Family Size 5
\$10,000	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$13,000	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$16,000	\$1,500	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$19,000	\$900	\$1,500	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$22,000	\$600	\$1,200	\$1,500	\$1,700
\$25,000	\$300	\$900	\$1,200	\$1,700
\$28,000	\$0	\$600	\$900	\$1,700
\$31,000	\$0	\$300	\$600	\$1,500
\$34,000	\$0	\$0	\$300	\$1,200
\$37,000	\$0	\$0	\$300	\$900
\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$600
\$43,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$300
\$46,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$49,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$52,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$55,000+	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Total Income less than	Family Size 6	Family Size 7	Family Size 8	Family Size 9	Family Size 9+
\$10,000	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$13,000	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$16,000	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$19,000	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$22,000	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$25,000	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$28,000	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$31,000	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$34,000	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$37,000	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,500	\$1,700	\$1,700
\$40,000	\$900	\$900	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,500
\$43,000	\$600	\$600	\$900	\$900	\$1,200
\$46,000	\$300	\$300	\$600	\$600	\$900
\$49,000	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$600
\$52,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$300	\$300
\$55,000+	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Subp. 2b. **Award disbursements.** The academic year award amount in subpart 2a must be disbursed by academic term using the following formula:

- A. the academic year amount shown on the chart in subpart 2a;
- B. divided by the number of terms in the academic year;
- C. divided by 15; and

D. multiplied by the number of credits for which the student is enrolled that academic term, up to 15 credits.

Payments shall be made each academic term to the student or to the child care provider, as determined by the institution. Institutions may make payments more than once within the academic term.

Subp. 2c. **Summer terms award.** Students attending summer school may receive an additional grant award per eligible child up to one-third of the academic year award shown

on the chart in subpart 2a for quarter-based schools and up to one-half the academic year award shown on the chart for semester-based schools.

Subp. 3. [Repealed, 19 SR 1636]

Subp. 3a. **Annual award amount.** The annual maximum grant per eligible child must not exceed the calculated amount in subpart 2a plus the amount in subpart 2c, or the student's estimated annual child care cost for not more than 40 hours per week per eligible child, whichever is less.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.125*

History: *14 SR 2789; 19 SR 1636; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59; 20 SR 2284*

4830.7600 [Repealed, 19 SR 1636]

4830.7700 [Repealed, 19 SR 1636]

4830.7710 PROCEDURES FOR DENIAL OR TERMINATION OF A CHILD CARE AWARD.

Subpart 1. **Applicability.** Students meeting the eligibility requirements in part 4830.7100, subpart 5, but denied a child care grant award due to an institution's lack of program funds, shall be placed at the student's request on the institution's waiting list pending the availability of program funds. Subpart 2 and part 4830.7720 are not applicable to students who are denied child care grant awards due to lack of program funds.

Subp. 2. **Termination.** When terminating a student's non-AFDC child care award, a school must follow its normal procedures used to terminate other financial aid programs. If the child care grant award is made by vendor payment, the school shall inform the child care provider of the notice of termination.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.125*

History: *14 SR 2789; 19 SR 1636*

4830.7720 APPEAL PROCESS.

Subpart 1. **Appeal request.** An applicant or recipient of a child care subsidy adversely affected by a school's action may file a written request for an appeal with the school.

Subp. 2. [Repealed, 19 SR 1636]

Subp. 3. **Appeal process.** Students must follow the normal appeal process established by the school to handle complaints about financial aid program decisions. If the student is not satisfied with the result of the appeal, the student may ask the school to forward the results to the director of the Minnesota Higher Education Services Office for review. The director shall review the decision and accompanying documentation, and shall make a decision according to Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.125, and parts 4830.7000 to 4830.7900. The student and school shall be advised in writing of the director's decision. The director's decision is final.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.125*

History: *14 SR 2789; 19 SR 1636; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59; 20 SR 2284*

4830.7800 REFUNDS.

If a recipient fails to enroll or reduces enrollment, the school must refund the unused portion of the award to the non-AFDC child care grant program. If the director determines that a school has fraudulently handled grant money, the refund of the unused portion of the award is immediately due to the office, and the office may institute a civil action for recovery if necessary. Refunds to the non-AFDC child care grant program are determined as follows:

A. calculate the percentage that the child care grant award represents of the student's total financial aid package for the applicable term; excluding funds received from federal Title IV programs, United States Code, title 20, chapter 28, sections 1070 to 1099c-1;

B. calculate the total tuition refund amount using the institution's refund policy or the federal pro rata refund calculation;

C. subtract the federal aid programs' refund amount from item B to determine the remaining tuition refund amount; and

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D. multiply the percentage in item A by the amount calculated in item C to determine the amount to be refunded to the non-AFDC child care program.

Refunded money to the non-AFDC child care program is available for awards to eligible students.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.125*

History: *14 SR 2789; 19 SR 1636; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59; 20 SR 2284*

4830.7900 REPORTS OF DATA.

Institutions must:

A. collect demographic, educational, and financial data specified by the office from eligible students requesting child care grants;

B. provide the office with individual student data upon request;

C. upon the request of the office, report information about students who receive awards, students who are on the waiting list, and students who were denied awards, including the institution's methods of prioritizing applicants if insufficient funds are available; and

D. submit fiscal year program activity reports and student data reports to the office.

Fiscal year program activity reports and student data reports are required by the office. Institutions shall correctly complete and submit all required reports and any applicable refunds to the office by the first working day after August 9. The office shall withhold an institution's subsequent year's allocation if the deadline date is not met.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.125*

History: *14 SR 2789; 19 SR 1636; L 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59; 20 SR 2284*

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER'S SURVIVOR GRANT PROGRAM**4830.8000 SCOPE.**

Parts 4830.8000 to 4830.8040 govern state postsecondary education grants to spouses and dependent children of public safety officers killed in the line of duty.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.16; 136A.234*

History: *15 SR 2266*

4830.8010 ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS.

A student receiving a grant from the Public Safety Officer's Survivor Grant Program must attend a postsecondary institution that is an eligible institution as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.101, subdivision 4, and part 4830.0300, subparts 1 and 2, as limited by Minnesota Statutes, section 299A.45, subdivision 1.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.16; 136A.234*

History: *15 SR 2266*

4830.8020 ELIGIBLE RECIPIENT.

To be eligible for a grant, the person must:

A. be enrolled in an eligible institution as specified in part 4830.8010;

B. not have received a baccalaureate degree, nor have been enrolled full time or the equivalent for eight semesters or 12 quarters, whichever occurs first; and

C. provide a copy of the certification of eligibility received from the commissioner of public safety to the eligible institution.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.16; 136A.234*

History: *15 SR 2266*

4830.8030 INSTITUTIONAL REQUEST AND DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FOR GRANTS.

Subpart 1. **Institutional request.** After verifying a student's eligibility, the institution must submit a written request to the executive director for payment of grant money for the student. A separate request must be submitted for each academic term the student is enrolled.

A copy of the student's certificate of eligibility from the commissioner of public safety must accompany the institution's first request for payment.

Subp. 2. **Deadline.** The request for grant money for a student must be received by the executive director no later than the last day of classes for the academic year for which grant money is requested.

Subp. 3. **Disbursement of funds.** An institution must not disburse grant money for a student unless the student is enrolled in or has completed the academic term for which payment is intended.

Subp. 4. **Refunds.** A grant award is made for a student's attendance at a specific institution for the nine-month academic year within the state fiscal year. If a recipient fails to enroll or reduces enrollment, the institution must refund the unused portion of the award to the executive director. Refunded money is available for awards to other eligible students.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.16; 136A.234*

History: *15 SR 2266*

4830.8040 PAYMENTS TO INSTITUTIONS.

Subpart 1. **Time of payment.** The executive director shall send grant money for an eligible student to the institution within 30 days of receipt of a request for payment, but not before July 1 of the academic year for which payment is intended.

Subp. 2. **Withholding payment.** The executive director shall withhold payment for a student until the institution's request for payment is complete and the student's eligibility is verified.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.16; 136A.234*

History: *15 SR 2266*

4830.8510 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

4830.8520 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

4830.8530 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

4830.8535 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

4830.8540 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

4830.8550 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

4830.8560 [Repealed, 17 SR 712]

4830.8570 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

4830.8575 [Repealed, L 1996 c 395 s 17]

4830.8580 [Repealed, 17 SR 712]

NURSING GRANT PROGRAM FOR PERSONS OF COLOR

4830.9005 SCOPE.

Parts 4830.9005 to 4830.9030 apply to the program of state grants for nursing students who are persons of color.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.16*

History: *18 SR 1141*

4830.9010 DEFINITIONS.

Subpart 1. **Scope.** The terms used in parts 4830.9005 to 4830.9030 have the meanings given them in this part.

Subp. 2. **Person of color.** "Person of color" means a person who is an Asian Pacific-American, African-American, American Indian, or Hispanic-American (Latino, Chicano, or Puerto Rican).

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.04; 136A.16*

History: *18 SR 1141*

4830.9015 APPLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FOR GRANTS.

Subpart 1. **Application by schools and programs.** A school, or educational program of registered nursing or advanced nursing must submit each year to the director a completed participation application form provided by the director.

Subp. 2. **Responsibility.** Each participating school, or educational program of registered nursing or advanced nursing must:

A. when requested by the director, provide enrollment data of students enrolled in registered nursing or advanced nursing education programs;

B. establish procedures for students to apply for and receive grants;

C. establish criteria to use in awarding grants to nursing students, which must include the likelihood of the student's success in completing the nursing educational program;

D. give priority to students with the greatest financial need; and

E. agree that the money awarded through the grant program must not be used to replace any other grant or scholarship money for which the student would be otherwise eligible.

Subp. 3. **Allocation formula.** Funds shall be allocated to each school or nursing program according to the following formula: enrollment of registered nursing and advanced nursing students of each school or nursing program, divided by the total enrollment of all participating schools or nursing programs; multiplied by the current fiscal year's appropriation for grants under this program.

The minimum allocation to a school or nursing program is \$2,000.

Subp. 4. **Modification of allocations.** The director shall allocate funds equal to the school's or program's estimated need for funds if the estimated need is less than the amount determined by the allocation formula.

Subp. 5. **Reallocation.** If funds are available, the director shall reallocate funds to schools or nursing programs requesting additional program funds according to the formula in subpart 3.

Subp. 6. **Delay.** Failure of a participating school or nursing program to submit the annual application for participation to the director or provide requested enrollment data by the deadline dates will result in the delay of notification and disbursement by the director to the school or nursing program.

Subp. 7. **Accountability.** Each participating school and nursing program is accountable for any money disbursed to students for nursing grants. The money may be used only during the fiscal year of disbursement. If a student does not use a grant because the student does not enroll or withdraws from school, the school may use the funds for other eligible students or must return the funds to the director.

Subp. 8. **Unused funds.** When requested by the director, a school or nursing program shall report on its use of funds and shall return unused funds. The director shall reallocate unused funds to schools or nursing programs that desire additional funds.

Subp. 9. [Repealed, 20 SR 2214]

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.16*

History: *18 SR 1141; 20 SR 2214*

4830.9020 AWARDS.

Subpart 1. **Award amount.** The minimum award amount is \$2,000 per academic year. The maximum award amount is \$4,000 per academic year.

Subp. 2. **Award disbursement.** A recipient's total nursing grant award must be divided by the number of terms in the academic year and disbursed accordingly.

Subp. 3. **Renewal awards.** The grant must be awarded for one academic year but is renewable for a maximum of six semesters or nine quarters of full-time study, or their equivalent. A student wishing to renew a nursing grant must complete an application form for each academic year.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.16*

History: *18 SR 1141; 20 SR 2214*

4830.9025 [Repealed, 20 SR 2214]

4830.9030 REPORTS BY SCHOOLS OR NURSING PROGRAMS.

Subpart 1. **Data collection; reports.** The school or nursing program must collect demographic, educational, and financial data specified by the director from eligible students requesting grants, and provide this data to the director upon request.

The director shall require program activity and student data reports at the end of each year. The school or nursing program must complete and submit the reports and any applicable refunds to the director by the first working day after August 9. If the reports are not completed correctly and submitted by the deadline, the director shall withhold the subsequent year's allocation until reporting requirements are fully met.

Subp. 2. **Additional information.** The director may require additional information not inconsistent with law that in the director's judgment is helpful to efficiently administer the program. The additional information may be required from grant applicants or recipients or eligible institutions or programs.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 136A.01; 136A.04; 136A.16*

History: *18 SR 1141; 20 SR 2214*