

WAC 250-20-031 Student application procedure. (1) Application for a state grant must be made each year.

(2) All applications will be ranked anew each year.

(3) Application for a state need grant is accomplished through a student's application for admission to, and financial aid from, the institution of his or her choice.

(4) Financial data must be generated in accordance with the method set forth by the higher education coordinating board to assure that information will be consistent on a statewide basis.

The board shall annually specify the student data elements essential for determining state need grant eligibility and shall authorize the forms and processes for collecting and analyzing such data.

(5) The burden of proof of a grant recipient's eligibility is with the institution. At a minimum:

(a) The institution must be able, on request of the board, to reconstruct the calculations and rationale for the student's grant eligibility and award amounts.

(b) The financial aid form or comparable financial status documents, with the resulting financial need analysis must be on record in the financial aid office for all grant recipients.

(c) The institution must also have on record justification for reawarding a need grant to any student who failed to make satisfactory progress.

(6) The board shall establish annual criteria by which the eligible student is to be identified, ranked, and awarded. Those criteria shall include the maximum award for each sector and the income cutoff level.

(7) The institution shall examine the student's aid application to determine overall need and specific state need grant eligibility and the appropriate award, using the board-approved criteria.

(8) The board will make available to all participating institutions, a list of all students who owe state need grant repayments or have otherwise exhausted their state need grant eligibility. It is the institution's responsibility to ensure that no ineligible student receives a state need grant.

(9) The financial aid administrator at each institution will be required to sign a statement attesting to the fact that all eligible financial aid applicants within state need grant parameters will be identified and served to the extent funds are available and that financial information will be determined in strict adherence to program guidelines.

(10) No group of students, such as single parents or part-time students, may be advantaged or disadvantaged in its access to the state need grant by any institutional awarding policy.

(11) The board will provide institutions with a list of eligible opportunity internship graduates.

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