

WAC 250-61-170 Application requirements. (1) Initial application.

(a) Institutions seeking initial standard authorization shall contact the council staff to arrange for a preliminary conference to discuss the authorization criteria, application procedures and the review process.

(b) An institution shall submit a fully completed application packet using forms provided by council staff. The application packet will not be considered complete until all required elements have been received by the council.

(c) For standard authorization, the initial application fee shall be two thousand dollars, plus one thousand dollars for each proposed program, and shall be submitted along with the application packet. The check is to be made payable to the Washington student achievement council.

(d) For field placement authorization, the initial application fee shall be two thousand dollars and shall be submitted along with the application packet. The check is to be made payable to the Washington student achievement council.

(2) Renewal application.

(a) Authorized institutions must submit an application for renewal of authorization on a biennial basis when requested by council staff.

(b) No later than the due date provided by the council, an institution seeking renewal must submit a fully completed renewal application packet using the forms provided by council staff. Failure to provide all requested materials by the due date may result in temporary suspension of the institution's authorization.

(c) For standard authorization, the renewal application fee shall be one thousand dollars, plus two hundred and fifty additional dollars per program. The check is to be made payable to the Washington student achievement council.

(d) For field placement authorization, a renewal application fee in the amount of one thousand dollars is to be submitted along with the application packet. The check is to be made payable to the Washington student achievement council.

(e) Any programs that have been authorized for at least one year prior to the authorization renewal date, but which are not yet made available to students, must be so noted in the renewal application. The authorization granted for these programs will be withdrawn at that time and the institution must seek authorization for these programs through the new program application if it wishes to offer them in the future.

(3) Additional program(s).

(a) If an institution plans to offer additional program(s) of study, the institution shall submit a new program application well in advance of the proposed offering.

(b) An additional program application fee in the amount of one thousand dollars per program is to be submitted along with the application packet. The check is to be made payable to the Washington student achievement council.

(c) The program(s) of study may not be offered, advertised or promoted prior to the granting of authorization.

(d) A nonaccredited institution will be limited to no more than two additional programs per calendar year until full accreditation is received.

(4) Additional site(s).

(a) If an institution plans to offer programs at a new site in Washington, the institution shall submit a new site application well in advance of the proposed start of operations at that site.

(b) An additional site application fee in the amount of five hundred dollars per site is to be submitted along with the application packet. The check is to be made payable to the Washington student achievement council.

(c) The site may not be utilized, advertised or promoted prior to the granting of authorization.

(5) Late fees. A late fee for applications for renewal of authorization shall be applied to applications received after the renewal application deadline. The late fee imposed shall be one thousand dollars and shall be added to all other applicable fees.

(6) All fees submitted to the council are nonrefundable.

(7) Change of ownership or control. A significant change of ownership or control of an institution or its parent entity shall nullify any previous authorization or exemption. The chief administrator, representing the new owner(s), shall notify the council as soon as the change is known. If the chief administrator asserts in a written statement that all conditions set forth in the act and these rules are being met or will be met before offering instruction, the council may issue a temporary certificate of authorization for a maximum of one hundred eighty days. The new ownership shall complete an application for initial authorization and submit the application to the council no later than sixty days prior to the expiration of the temporary certificate of authorization.

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