responsibilities, encompassed within the board’s enumerated powers and duties:

(a) Select students to receive the Washington state scholars award, with the assistance of the selection committee created by WAC 250-66-030(3) of this act.

(b) Enter into agreements with participating independent institutions.

(c) Adopt all necessary rules and guidelines.

(d) Send program information and nomination materials to the principal of each Washington public and private school that has a twelfth grade.

(e) Publish a directory of all Washington state scholars selected and distribute it to all public institutions of higher education and independent colleges and universities, legislators, and participating high schools.

(f) Maintain records on all Washington state scholar award recipients.

(g) Publicize the program.

(h) Solicit and accept grants and donations from public and private sources for the program.

(i) Authorize probationary periods for Washington state scholar recipients whose cumulative grade point average falls below the minimum grade point average under WAC 250-66-045(1)(f).

(j) Make grant payments to eligible recipients for undergraduate study.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 28B.80 RCW and 1995 1st sp.s. c 5. § 250-66-050, filed 11/1/95, effective 12/2/95. Statutory Authority: 1998 c 210. § 88-14-088 (Order 5-88, Resolution No. 88-13), § 250-66-050, filed 7/5/88.]

Chapter 250-79 WAC

RUNNING START PROGRAM

WAC

250-79-020 Public access to running start program rules.


[Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.150.260 and 28A.150.290. § 250-79-010, filed 8/29/95, effective 9/29/95, 94-14-064, § 250-79-010, filed 7/1/94, effective 8/1/94.]

Reviser's note: RCW 34.05.395 requires the use of underlining and deletion marks to indicate amendments to existing rules, and deems ineffectual changes not filed by the agency in this manner. The bracketed material in the above section does not appear to conform to the statutory requirement.

WAC 250-79-020 Public access to running start program rules. Copies of chapter 392-169 WAC are available in the offices of the higher education coordinating board, the state board for community and technical colleges and the superintendent of public instruction located in Olympia, Washington.


Title 251 WAC

HIGHER EDUCATION PERSONNEL BOARD

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Chapter 251-04 WAC

GENERAL PROVISIONS

WAC

251-04-050 Higher education personnel board.
251-04-060 Director.

WAC 251-04-050 Higher education personnel board. (1) The higher education personnel board is composed of three members appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate. Each odd-numbered year the governor shall appoint a member for a six-year term. Persons so appointed shall have clearly demonstrated an interest and belief in the merit principle, shall not hold any other employment with the state, shall not have been an officer of a political party for a period of one year immediately prior to such appointment, and shall not be or become a candidate for partisan elective public office during the term to which they are appointed.

(2) Each member of the board is eligible to receive compensation in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars for each day during which the member attends an official meeting of the board or performs statutorily prescribed duties approved by the chairperson of the board. The members of the board may receive any number of daily payments for official meetings of the board actually attended. Members of the board shall also be reimbursed for necessary travel and other expenses incurred in the discharge of their official duties on the same basis as is provided for state officers and employees generally, in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

(3) At its first meeting following the appointment of all its members, and annually thereafter, the board shall elect a chairman and vice chairman from among its members to serve one year. The presence of at least two members of the board shall constitute a quorum to transact business. A written public record shall be kept by the board of all actions taken.

(4) In the necessary conduct of its work, the board shall meet monthly unless there is no pending business requiring board action. Meetings shall be held on campuses of the various state institutions of higher education. Meetings may be called by the chairman of the board, or a majority of the members of the board. Hearings may be conducted by a hearing officer duly appointed by the board. An official
notice of the calling of a hearing shall be filed with the director and all members of the board shall be notified.

(5) No release of material, or statement of findings shall be made except with the approval of a majority of the board.

(6) In the conduct of hearings or investigations, a member of the board, or the director, or the hearing officer appointed to conduct the hearing, may administer oaths.

(7) It shall be the duty of the board to promulgate rules and regulations providing for employee participation in the development and administration of personnel policies. To assure this right, personnel policies, rules, classification and pay plans, and amendments thereto, shall be acted on only after the board has given twenty calendar days' notice to, and considered proposals from employee representatives and institutions/related boards affected. In matters involving the various state community colleges, notice shall also be given to the state board for community college education. Complete and current compilations of all rules and regulations of the board in printed, mimeographed, or multigraphed form shall be available from the board without charge.

(8) The higher education personnel board shall adopt rules, consistent with the purposes and provisions of this chapter and with the best standards of personnel administration, regarding the basis and procedures to be followed for the dismissal, suspension, or demotion of an employee, and appeals therefrom; certification of names for vacancies, including promotions, with the number of names equal to six or more names than there are vacancies to be filled, such names representing applicants rated highest on eligibility lists; examination for all positions in the competitive and noncompetitive service; appointments; probationary periods of six to twelve months and rejections therein depending on the job requirements of the class; transfers; sick leaves and vacations; hours of work; layoffs when necessary and subsequent reemployment according to seniority; determination of appropriate bargaining units within any institution or related board: Provided, That in making such determination the board shall consider the duties, skills, and working conditions of the employees, the history of collective bargaining by the employees and their bargaining representatives, the extent of organization among the employees and the desires of the employees; certification and decertification of exclusive bargaining representatives; agreements between institutions or related boards and certified exclusive bargaining representatives providing for grievance procedures and collective negotiations on all personnel matters over which the institution/related board may lawfully exercise discretion; written agreements may contain provisions for payroll deductions of employee organization dues upon authorization by the employee member and for the cancellation of such payroll deduction by the filing of a proper prior notice by the employee with the appointing authority and the employee organization: Provided, That nothing contained herein permits or grants to any employee the right to strike or refuse to perform his/her official duties; adoption and revision of comprehensive classification plans for all positions in the classified service, based on investigation and analysis of the duties and responsibilities of each such position: However, beginning July 1, 1995, in adopting these revisions the board shall comply with RCW 41.06.150(15) and chapter 43.88 RCW; allocation and reallocation of positions within the classification plans; adoption and revision of salary schedules and compensation plans as provided in chapter 251-08 WAC; training programs including in-service, promotional, and supervisory; increment increases within the series of steps for each pay grade; and veteran's preference as provided by existing statutes.

(9) After consultation with institution heads, employee organizations, and other interested parties, the board shall develop standardized employee performance evaluation procedures and forms which shall be used by institutions of higher education for the appraisal of employee job performance at least annually. These procedures shall include means whereby individual institutions may supplement the standardized evaluation process with special performance factors peculiar to specific organizational needs. This evaluation procedure shall place primary emphasis on recording how well the employee has contributed to efficiency, effectiveness, and economy in fulfilling institution and job objectives.

WAC 251-04-060 Director. (1) The personnel director appointed by the governor shall be the chief staff officer for the board. In preparing matters for consideration by the board and in coordinating the implementation of the board's rules and regulations, the director shall work in conjunction with the campus personnel officers and their staffs at each institution of higher education, and in the case of community colleges, with the state board for community and technical colleges. When necessary, the director may request the creation of task forces drawn from the four-year institutions of higher education, and representatives of the various state community colleges through the state board for community and technical colleges, for the accomplishment of any projects undertaken by the board. The director may employ necessary personnel for the board, and the board may appoint and compensate hearing officers to hear and conduct appeals. The board shall establish an office for the conduct of its business.

(2) The director shall periodically and at such other times as may be necessary, audit and review the personnel administration and management at each institution and related board.

All relevant files and records of appointing authorities and personnel officers shall be made available to the director at any time.

(3) The director shall take any action necessary to ensure and enforce compliance with the higher education personnel law and these rules.

(4) The director of personnel may delegate to the personnel officer of any higher education institution or related board the director's authority to perform administrative and technical activities if such authority is requested. When an institution or related board requests a delegation of the director's authority, the requesting person shall concur-
such as to permit them to retain job status in the classified service.

The director shall prepare, and subject to board approval shall periodically revise in a manner consistent with the development of the original plan, compensation plans for all employees whose performance is assigned and performed. The plans shall provide for:

(1) Full compensation to each employee for all work assigned and performed.

(2) Regular salary increment increases based upon length of service for all employees whose performance is such as to permit them to retain job status in the classified service.

(3) Assignment of each class to a salary range reflecting prevailing rates in other public employment and in private employment in this state or in the locality in which the institution is located, provided funds are available as defined in WAC 251-08-051.

(4) The rates in the salary schedules or plans to be increased if necessary to attain comparable worth.

(5) Equal pay for similar duties, responsibilities, and qualifications among classes as determined by the salary survey process.

(6) Such other provisions as are appropriate in the establishment and maintenance of compensation equity in relation to prevailing practices found in Washington state private industries and other governmental units.

WAC 251-08-090 Salary—Periodic increment. (1) Employees whose performance permits them to retain job status in the classified service shall receive periodic increments within the steps of the salary range. The salary of each employee shall be increased two steps on the periodic increment date and annually thereafter on the periodic increment date, not to exceed the maximum step of the range. An exception to the two step movement on the periodic increment date are those employees who occupy classes included in the higher education personnel board locality special pay plan per WAC 251-09-090 which applies only to University of Washington hospitals. The salary of each employee under this plan shall be increased as specified in the higher education personnel board hospital special pay plan.

(2) When the periodic increment date falls on the same effective date as another salary action, the periodic increment shall be applied prior to, and in addition to, any other action resulting in a salary increase or decrease.

WAC 251-08-090 Work period designations. Each position will be assigned by the personnel officer to one of the work period designations identified below, and employees will be informed of their eligibility for overtime compensation.

(1) Scheduled work periods, within which there are three work schedules:
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RECRUITMENT—EXAMINATION

WAC 251-17-010 Examination—Requirement—Responsibilities.
(1) Appointment to positions in the classified service shall be made according to merit and suitability ascertained for each class by an appropriate examination.

(2) All job elements included in examinations developed or modified subsequent to January 1, 1986, shall be justified by documented job analysis.

(3) Personnel officers shall assist in conducting and/or conduct job analyses at their institutions.

(4) Job analysis methods shall meet professional standards and be approved by the director before they are used to develop examinations.

(5) System examinations shall be developed by the director with the assistance of the personnel officers and made available for the use of all institutions. The director shall periodically distribute an approved system job element examination list showing all current system examinations.

(6) Personnel officers shall use only the current versions of the examinations shown on the approved system job element examination list. However, personnel officers may develop modifications to system examinations and/or institutional examinations to meet requirements which are unique to their institutions.

(7) Before they are used, institutional examinations and modifications to system examinations shall be approved by the director unless approval has been delegated to the personnel officer under WAC 251-04-060(4).

(8) The personnel officer is responsible for determining when to open eligible lists and conduct examinations.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 41.06.150. 95-19-099, § 251-17-010, filed 9/20/95, effective 11/1/95. Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.16.100. 88-02-018 (Order 165), § 251-17-010, filed 12/30/87, effective 2/1/88.]

WAC 251-17-020 Promotional organizational units—Establishment. The personnel officer shall establish promotional organizational units based upon administrative unit and/or geographical location. Such units must be approved by the director unless approval has been delegated to the personnel officer under WAC 251-04-060(4).

[Statutory Authority: RCW 41.06.150. 95-19-099, § 251-17-020, filed 9/20/95, effective 11/1/95. Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.16.100. 88-02-018 (Order 165), § 251-17-020, filed 12/30/87, effective 2/1/88.]

WAC 251-17-110 Examination administration. (1) Personnel officers shall administer examinations in accordance with the administration instructions developed for each system or institutional examination.

(2) The personnel officer is responsible for maintaining the security of all confidential examination materials, including test booklets, answer sheets, scoring keys, and rating guides. The personnel officer shall notify the director...
immediately if there is a suspected breach of examination security.

(3) The personnel officer shall develop an institutional procedure for the reexamination of applicants at the institution. Before it is used, such procedure shall be approved by the director unless approval has been delegated to the personnel officer under WAC 251-04-060(4). On approval, the personnel officer shall initiate recruiting at the reduced minimum qualifications.

WAC 251-17-200 Modification of minimum qualifications. When a vacancy exists and reasonable recruiting efforts fail to establish an eligible list for the class, the personnel officer may request that the director modify the minimum qualifications for that recruiting cycle unless approval has been delegated to the personnel officer under WAC 251-04-060(4). On approval, the personnel officer shall initiate recruiting at the reduced minimum qualifications.

Chapter 251-19 WAC

APPOINTMENT

WAC 251-19-070 Appointment—Alternate.

WAC 251-19-157 Workers' compensation—Return-to-work—Program.

WAC 251-19-070 Appointment—Alternate. Application of the alternate appointment rule shall apply only to unique research classes pre-approved by the board. An alternate appointment for research positions shall consist of the six month period following appointment from a layoff list or an option taken in lieu of layoff. This provides the employing official an opportunity to observe the employee’s work and determine whether or not he/she can perform in that specific position. If it is determined that the employee cannot perform, as documented by a written performance review, the employee shall be placed on the appropriate layoff list or provided other transfer options as available.

Application of this rule shall be appealable under the same provisions as WAC 251-12-080 et seq.

WAC 251-19-157 Workers’ compensation—Return-to-work—Program. Each institution of higher education shall establish a state employee return-to-work policy. It will be the responsibility of each institution to:

(1) Adopt a written return-to-work policy and submit a copy to the higher education personnel board to be kept on file. Prior to adoption, the institution shall publish a copy of the proposed policy utilizing reasonable means of communication available to the institution and allow reasonable time for comment by interested parties.

(2) Take into consideration the special nature of employment in the institution.

(3) Name an institution representative responsible for coordinating the return-to-work program of the institution. At a minimum, the return-to-work coordinator will determine employee interests and availability regarding employment locations and types of employment, contact return-to-work coordinators at employment locations the employee has identified to facilitate identification of potential return-to-work opportunities, and submit completed forms to appropriate return-to-work coordinators.

(4) Provide all classified employees with information regarding the institution return-to-work policy.

(5) Train supervisors on implementation of the return-to-work policy, including but not limited to assessment of the appropriateness of the return-to-work job for the employee.

(6) Coordinate participation of applicable employee assistance programs, as appropriate.

(7) Provide alternative work opportunities of limited duration to permanent employees who are eligible for the return-to-work program if possible. Such alternative employment opportunities may include work described under WAC 251-04-040.

Chapter 251-22 WAC

HOLIDAYS—LEAVE

WAC 251-22-040 Holidays.

WAC 251-22-040 Holidays. (1) Legal holidays are designated by statute. The following holidays are identified per RCW 1.16.050:

(a) The first day of January (New Year’s Day);
(b) The third Monday of January (Martin Luther King, Jr.’s birthday);
(c) The third Monday of February (Presidents’ Day);
(d) The last Monday of May (Memorial Day);
(e) The fourth day of July (Independence Day);
(f) The first Monday in September (Labor Day);
(g) The eleventh day of November (Veterans Day);
(h) The fourth Thursday of November (Thanksgiving Day);
(i) The day immediately following Thanksgiving Day;
(j) The twenty-fifth day of December (Christmas Day).

Each higher education institution will provide qualifying employees in pay status with a paid holiday on the above days. However, the governing board of each institution, and in the case of the community college system through the state board for community college education, may designate other days to be observed in lieu of the above holidays. Implementation of modified holiday schedules must be approved by the director. Schedules may be determined on a calendar or fiscal year basis. When an institution establishes a modified schedule, paid holidays shall be granted based on the modified schedule.

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(2) Classified employees working twelve-month schedules or cyclic year position employees who work full monthly schedules throughout their work year shall receive the number of holidays for which they qualify during their scheduled work year as set forth in this section. Qualification is determined by being in pay status on the work day preceding the holiday(s).

(3) Cyclic year position employees scheduled to work less than full monthly schedules throughout their work year qualify for holiday compensation if they work or are in pay status on their last regularly scheduled working day preceding the holiday(s) in that month.

(4) Part-time classified employees shall be entitled to the number of paid hours on a holiday that their monthly schedule bears to a full time schedule.

(5) Full-time alternate work schedule employees shall receive eight hours of regular holiday pay per holiday. Any differences between the scheduled shift for the day and eight hours may be adjusted by use of vacation leave, use or accumulation of compensatory time as appropriate, or leave without pay.

(6) When a holiday falls on an employee's regularly scheduled day off, he/she shall receive a day of compensatory time off.

(7) Holiday time worked shall be compensated as provided in WAC 251-09-035.

(8) Whenever a holiday falls on Sunday, the following Monday shall be considered a nonworking or legal holiday. When a holiday falls on Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be considered a nonworking or legal holiday.

(9) Employees terminating immediately prior to a holiday do not qualify for holidays occurring after termination.

(10) Employees shall be entitled to one paid personal holiday per calendar year in addition to those specified in this section as provided in WAC 251-22-045.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 41.06.150. 95-19-099, § 251-22-040, filed 9/20/95, effective 11/1/95. Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.16.100. 87-02-036 (Order 154), § 251-22-040, filed 1/2/87; 86-08-037 (Order 146), § 251-22-040, filed 3/26/86, effective 9/1/86; 85-16-038 (Order 134), § 251-22-040, filed 7/31/85, effective 9/1/85; 83-20-020 (Order 108), § 251-22-040, filed 9/23/83, effective 10/24/83; 83-10-029 (Order 105), § 251-22-040, filed 4/29/83, effective 6/1/83; Order 61, § 251-22-040, filed 8/30/77, effective 10/1/77; Order 60, § 251-22-040, filed 7/18/77; Order 55, § 251-22-040, filed 6/17/76; Order 42, § 251-22-040, filed 5/23/75; Order 41, § 251-22-040, filed 3/17/75; Order 29, § 251-22-040, filed 1/22/74; Order 8, § 251-22-040, filed 6/17/71, effective 7/19/71; Order 3, § 251-22-040, filed 1/15/71.]

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**Title 253 WAC**

**HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES AUTHORITY**

**Chapters**

253-02 Organization, operations and procedures.

253-16 Procedures and fees for preparation and processing of applications for authority assistance.

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**Chapter 253-02 WAC**

**ORGANIZATION, OPERATIONS AND PROCEDURES**

**WAC 253-02-050 Operations and procedures.**

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(1) Uniform procedure rules: Practice and procedure in and before the authority are governed by the uniform procedural rules codified in the Washington Administrative Code, WAC 1-08-005 through 1-08-590, as now or hereafter amended, which rules the authority adopts as its own, subject to any additional rules the authority may add from time to time. The authority reserves the right to make whatever determination is fair and equitable should any question not covered by its rules come before the authority, said determination to be in accordance with the spirit and intent of the law.

(2) Authority meetings: The meetings of the authority shall all be "regular" or "special meetings" as those designations are applied in chapter 42.30 RCW. They may be called at any time and place by the chairman or a majority of the members of the authority. Notice of all special meetings shall be given by delivering personally or by mail to each member a written notice specifying the time and place of the meeting and a copy of the agenda prepared by the executive director in consultation with the chairman, and by giving such notice to the public as may be required by law. If an emergency is deemed to exist, the chairman may shorten the notice period to not less than twenty-four hours. An executive session may be called by the chairman or by a majority of all members of the authority to consider the appointment, employment or dismissal of an officer or employee, and such other matters as are permitted by RCW 42.30.110.

(3) Quorum: Four members shall constitute a quorum, and the act of a majority of the members present at any meeting, if there is a quorum, shall be deemed the act of the authority except as specified hereafter in subsection (7) of this section.

(4) Chairperson's or secretary's voting rights: The chairperson or the chairperson's designee and the secretary shall have the right to vote on all matters before the authority, just as any other authority member.

(5) Minutes of meetings: Minutes shall be kept of the proceedings of the authority.


(7) Form of authority action: The authority may act on the basis of a motion except when authorizing issuance of bonds pursuant to WAC 253-16-070 and when otherwise taking official and formal action with respect to the creation of special funds and the issuance and sale of bonds for a project of a participant, in which case the authority shall act by resolution. Such resolutions shall be adopted upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the authority and shall be signed by a majority of the members of the authority. Motions shall be adopted upon the affirmative vote of a majority of quorum of members present at any meeting. All bonds and coupons shall bear either the manual