

Post Graduate Scholar Programs

581-021-0576 Definitions

The following definitions apply to OAR 581-021-0576 to 581-021-0582:

- (1) "Community College Service Area" means a district formed under ORS Chapter 341 or for school districts outside of a community college service area it means an areas determined pursuant to contract with a community college as determined by the office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development (CCWD).
- (2) "Full-Time Enrollment" in a community college is the registration and payment of required fees as a full-time student based on a minimum of 12 credit-hours per academic term.
- (3) "Legal residence for students" means:
 - (a) Resident students as defined under ORS 339.133;
 - (b) A student who has been admitted to a district under open enrollment under section 9, chapter 718, Oregon Laws 2011 retains residency for purposes of the post graduate scholar program even though they have graduated; and
 - (c) A student who has been admitted to a district under interdistrict transfer if the receiving district extends the transfer agreement to allow for an additional year after the student meets the graduation requirements.
- (4) "Post-graduate scholar" means a student:
 - (a) Who has been in grades 9-12 for more than a total of four school years; and
 - (b) Has satisfied the requirements for a regular high school diploma as provided in ORS 329.451 (2).
- (5) "Post-graduate scholar program" is a program that meets the requirements in SB1537.

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581-021-0579 Student Eligibility to Participate in a Post Graduate Scholar Program

Students who are eligible to participate in a post graduate scholar programs must:

- (1) Have satisfied the requirements for a regular Oregon diploma as provided in ORS 329.451(2);
- (2) Have been in grades 9-12 for more than a total of four school years;
- (3) Enroll in courses that are part of a course of study approved by the school district and that may lead to a certificate or diploma through the district's local community college or contract community college;
- (4) Have completed and submitted the Free Application for Federal Student aid (FAFSA), if eligible to file a FAFSA;

- (5) Be ineligible for an Oregon Promise grant as described in ORS 341.522 because of failure to earn the required minimum cumulative grade point average or because they submitted a complete application but did not receive a grant;
- (6) Be ineligible for a federal aid grant that is equal or greater than the average cost of tuition and fees at a community college as determined by the Department of Education in consultation with the executive director of the Office of Student and Access and Completion based on prior year's tuition and fees;
- (7) Retain legal residence within the boundaries of the school district that is offering the post-graduate scholar program and through which the student satisfied the requirements for a high school diploma; and
- (8) Meet any school district requirements for participating in the post graduate scholars program.

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581-021-0582 School District Eligibility to Offer a Post Graduate Scholar Program

School Districts are eligible to use state school funds for a post graduate scholar program if the following criteria are met:

- (1) School districts must have a written agreement with the community college that has a service area or contract within which the school district is located.
- (2) School districts have a policy approved by the school district board that:
 - (a) Describes the goals of the program, including target high school graduation rates for underserved students;
 - (b) Includes minimum requirements for grade point average, attendance, and participation in regular in-person meetings with school staff;
 - (c) Contains an evaluation plan describing how the success of the program will be measured and monitored; and
 - (d) Lists the courses of study that are approved by the school district for the post-graduate scholar program; and
- (3) The majority of students from the school district that are enrolled in courses at the community college meet at least one of the criteria identified below:
 - (a) Is not a post-graduate scholar;
 - (b) Has received a modified diploma, an extended diploma or a General Educational Development (GED) certificate;
 - (c) Is or will be a first-generation graduate of high school;
 - (d) Is, or has been, a child in a foster home;
 - (e) Is, or has been, placed in a facility or an education program by a court;
 - (f) Is homeless;
 - (g) Is a parent; or

(h) Was identified as eligible for free or reduced price lunches within the preceding 12 months.

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