



Tab 7

Recertification of Institutional Eligibility to Participate in State Student Financial Aid Programs

Coordinating Board for Higher Education
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BACKGROUND

In order to maintain their eligibility to participate in state student assistance programs, all eligible postsecondary institutions must be recertified by the Coordinating Board for Higher Education every three years. The requirement and process for institutional recertification is provided in both statutory definitions and the board's administrative rule on institutional participation. Because most of the state aid programs refer to the institutional eligibility criteria for the Access Missouri program, this process has an impact on all state student financial assistance programs administered by the CBHE except for the A+ Scholarship program. All institutions currently participating in those programs were last recertified in June 2019. Institutions must be recertified by September 2022 in order for their students to continue to receive state financial assistance.

The Fast Track Workforce Incentive Grant was added to the 2022-2025 recertification cycle based on its inception in FY 2020. However, as a result of the General Assembly's termination of funding for the Competitiveness Scholarship Program (Marguerite Ross Barnett Scholarship) in FY 2021, that program is not included in this cycle. Although there are no signed Marguerite Ross Barnett Scholarship participation agreements for this cycle, to close institutional participation in that program, MDHEWD's notice to institutions of the CBHE's action on this item will include confirmation of the termination of this program and institutional participation in it.

Missouri Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development staff distributed application materials required for recertification to all currently approved institutions in March 2022. The recertification process requires that participating institutions complete and return the application for recertification. The process also provides institutions the opportunity to reaffirm their current state student assistance portfolio, add programs, or remove programs by completing new program participation agreements.

In addition to examining the submitted documents, MDHEWD staff also review each institution's compliance with the data collection requirements of the CBHE. Once recertification has been granted by the Coordinating Board, institutions are notified by the commissioner and receive their copy of the duly signed participation agreements.

CURRENT STATUS

All currently participating institutions are scheduled for recertification, with the exception of Hillyard Technical Center, Rolla Technical Institute/Center, and Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences who opted out of participation. Research College of Nursing was excluded from the recertification process as its participation was terminated in 2020 based on its updated status as a for-profit proprietary institution.

Recertified institutions will be eligible to participate in the following programs in accordance with their signed participation agreements:

- Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program
- Higher Education Academic Scholarship Program (Bright Flight Scholarship)
- Fast Track Workforce Incentive Grant
- Kids' Chance Scholarship Program
- Minority and Underrepresented Environmental Literacy Program
- Public Safety Officer or Employee's Child Survivor Grant Program
- Wartime Veteran's Survivors Grant Program

The A+ program is not included in the above list because eligibility as an approved institution for A+ is established by the authorizing statute. Consequently, approval by the Coordinating Board is not required. In addition, the Advanced Placement Incentive Grant is not included as that program requires a student to be an Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program or A+ Scholarship recipient. Therefore, a student may only receive the Advanced Placement Incentive Grant at an institution already approved by the board or statute, respectively. Likewise, participation in the Dual Credit/Dual Enrollment scholarship is conditional on institutional approval to participate in the Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program so this program is also excluded from the list above.

Based on the department's review of the applications submitted, the attached list includes all of the institutions that are being recommended for recertification. An "X" indicates the programs in which an institution currently participates and for which a signed participation agreement was received to continue participation. An "A" indicates programs that are being added to the institution's state aid portfolio. Finally, an "R" indicates the programs being removed from the institution's state aid portfolio at their request and in the absence of a signed agreement.

Four of the institutions included in the attached list are marked with an asterisk indicating schools that have provisional certification to participate in the federal Title IV student aid programs. While provisional certification permits full participation in federal programs, such institutions are subject to loss of participation more quickly than if they were fully certified. As such, the approval of these institutions to participate in state programs will be monitored more closely and is considered contingent upon their continued approval to participate in federal programs.

NEXT STEPS

To complete the recertification process, the department will obtain the Commissioner of Higher Education's signature on the signed program participation agreements and return them to the institutions upon, and in accordance with, the Coordinating Board's action. In addition, the department will update its institutional records accordingly.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend the Coordinating Board for Higher Education approve the institutions listed in the attachment for recertification to participate in the state student financial assistance programs administered by the Missouri Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development until September 2025.

ATTACHMENT

- List of Institutions Recommended for Recertification

Tab 7 Attachment - Recertification of Institutional Eligibility for Participation in State Student Financial Aid Programs

INSTITUTION NAME	PROGRAMS						
	Access Missouri	Bright Flight	Fast Track Workforce Incentive Grant	Kids Chance	Minority & Underrepresented Environmental Literacy	Public Safety Officer or Employee's Child	Wartime Veteran's Survivor
Avila University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Bolivar Technical College	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Cape Girardeau Career & Technology Center	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Carthage Technical Center	X		X				
Cass Career Center	X		X	X			X
Central Methodist University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Clinton Technical School	X		X				X
College of the Ozarks	X	X		X	X	X	
Columbia College	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Cottey College	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Cox College	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Crowder College	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Culver-Stockton College	X	X	A	X	X	X	
Drury University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
East Central College	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
*Evangel University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Fontbonne University	X	X	X	A	A	A	
Four Rivers Career Center	X	X	X	X		X	X
Franklin Technology Center	X	X	X	X			X
Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes-Jewish College	X	X	X	X		X	
Grand River Technical School	X	R		X	R	X	X
*Hannibal-LaGrange University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
*Harris-Stowe State University	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Jefferson College	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kansas City Art Institute	X	X		A		A	
Kirksville Area Technical Center	X		X	X		X	X
Lex La-Ray Technical Center	X	X	X	X		X	X
Lincoln University	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lindenwood University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Logan University	X	X	A	X	X	X	
Maryville University of St. Louis	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Metropolitan Community College	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mineral Area College	X	X	X	X		X	X
Missouri Baptist University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Missouri Southern State University	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Missouri State University	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Missouri State University-West Plains	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Missouri University of Science and Technology	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Missouri Valley College	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Missouri Western State University	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Moberly Area Community College	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
North Central Missouri College	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Northwest Missouri State University	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Ozarks Technical Community College	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Park University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
*Pike Lincoln Technical Center	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Poplar Bluff Technical Career Center	X	X	X	X		X	X
Ranken Technical College	X	X	X	X	A	X	
Rockhurst University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Saint Louis University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Saline County Career Center	X	X		X		X	X
South Central Career Center	X		X				
Southeast Missouri Hospital College of Nursing and Health Sciences	X	X	X	X		X	
Southeast Missouri State University	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Southwest Baptist University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
St. Charles Community College	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
St. Louis Community College	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
State Fair Community College	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
State Technical College of Missouri	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
Stephens College	X	X	X				
Three Rivers College	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Truman State University	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
University of Central Missouri	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy	X	X		X		X	
University of Missouri-Columbia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
University of Missouri-Kansas City	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
University of Missouri-St. Louis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Warrensburg Area Career Center	X		X				
Washington University in St. Louis	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Waynesville Career Center	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Webster University	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Western Governors University - Missouri	X		X				
Westminster College	X	X	X	X	X	X	
William Jewell College	X	X	X	X	X	X	
William Woods University	X	X	X	X	X	X	