

Amended by R.1982 d.127, effective April 19, 1982.
See: 14 N.J.R. 28(a), 14 N.J.R. 390(d).

Deleted existing text of rule concerning "period of eligibility" and replaced with rule concerning "verification of enrollment and academic performance."

Amended by R.1985 d.571, effective November 4, 1985.
See: 17 N.J.R. 1734(a), 17 N.J.R. 2644(a).

Added text "in accordance with N.J.A.C. 9:7-2.10."
Amended by R.1988 d.128, effective March 21, 1988.
See: 20 N.J.R. 33(a), 20 N.J.R. 656(a).

Added text "Eligible students shall . . .".
Amended by R.1995 d.428, effective August 7, 1995.
See: 27 N.J.R. 2043(a), 27 N.J.R. 2906(a).
Corrected references.

9A:9-5.10 (Reserved)

New Rule R.1985 d.156, effective April 1, 1985.
See: 17 N.J.R. 24(a), 17 N.J.R. 816(b).
Repealed by R.1988 d.128, effective March 21, 1988.
See: 20 N.J.R. 33(a), 20 N.J.R. 656(a).
Section was "Enrollment status and terms of payment".

SUBCHAPTER 6. MISS NEW JERSEY EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

9A:9-6.1 Purpose and scope

The rules established by this subchapter provide for the administration of the Miss New Jersey Educational Scholarship Program by the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority. A Miss New Jersey Educational Scholarship, in a sum equal to the cost of tuition at a public institution enrolling a Miss New Jersey Educational Scholarship recipient, shall be awarded annually to an individual designated by the Authority, in consultation with the Miss New Jersey Pageant Organization, for attendance at any public institution of higher education in this State.

Amended by R.2002 d.290, effective September 3, 2002.
See: 34 N.J.R. 1392(a), 34 N.J.R. 3079(c).

9A:9-6.2 Eligibility requirements

(a) In the spirit of the Miss New Jersey Pageant, the designated individual shall be an exceptional young leader who has demonstrated involvement in civic, cultural or charitable affairs for a minimum of three years prior to applying for the scholarship, as determined by the Miss New Jersey Pageant Organization.

(b) The designated individual shall be enrolled in or accepted into a full-time course of study leading to an initial bachelor's degree or a postgraduate degree at any public institution of higher education in this State, as defined in N.J.S.A. 18A:62-1.

(c) For the first year only following adoption of these rules, academic year 1998-1999, the designated individual shall be governed by the residency rules of the Miss America Pageant. For subsequent years, the designated individu-

al shall be a New Jersey resident in accordance with N.J.A.C. 9A:9-2.2.

Amended by R.2002 d.290, effective September 3, 2002.
See: 34 N.J.R. 1392(a), 34 N.J.R. 3079(c).
Deleted (a)1.

9A:9-6.3 Application procedures

In order to apply for the Miss New Jersey Educational Scholarship, the individual shall submit an application to participate in the program which shall be completed and returned to the Miss New Jersey Pageant Organization by the deadline date specified by the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority. The application shall include the following information: public institution of higher education in New Jersey attending or planning to attend, enrollment status, expected degree, state of residency, New Jersey Statement of Selective Service Registration Status, applicant statement indicating exceptional leader in civic, cultural or charitable endeavors for three years prior to application, and two letters of reference. In lieu of the applicant statement, an applicant may show evidence of exceptional leadership through a presentation or other equivalent means acceptable to the Miss New Jersey Pageant Organization.

Amended by R.2002 d.290, effective September 3, 2002.
See: 34 N.J.R. 1392(a), 34 N.J.R. 3079(c).

9A:9-6.4 Amount and use of the scholarship

(a) The scholarship shall pay the annual cost of tuition at the enrolled undergraduate or graduate/professional public institution in New Jersey.

(b) The amount of the scholarship may be adjusted to ensure that the combination of State aid and other college financial aid does not exceed the student's cost of education.

(c) The scholarship may be used for the student's college budget expenses.

9A:9-6.5 Candidate approval and notification

After the applications have been reviewed by the Miss New Jersey Pageant Organization and an eligible candidate has been selected, the Miss New Jersey Pageant Organization shall certify the candidate as eligible, and the application with certification shall be forwarded to the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority. Once approved, the Authority shall notify the candidate of the nomination for the Miss New Jersey Educational Scholarship, subject to appropriations and institutional certification of eligibility.

Amended by R.2002 d.290, effective September 3, 2002.
See: 34 N.J.R. 1392(a), 34 N.J.R. 3079(c).

9A:9-6.6 Payment

The Higher Education Student Assistance Authority shall obtain school certification of full-time enrollment each semester and shall disburse scholarship funds to the school in equal installments on behalf of the scholarship recipient.

Amended by R.2002 d.290, effective September 3, 2002.
See: 34 N.J.R. 1392(a), 34 N.J.R. 3079(c).

9A:9-6.7 Renewal and period of eligibility

(a) In order to continue to receive the scholarship, the award recipient shall meet the following criteria:

1. Maintain a grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher as certified by the public institution of higher education at least once a year, prior to the fall term;
2. Remain in full-time enrollment in a course of study leading to a degree in a public institution of higher education in New Jersey; and
3. Maintain continuous enrollment each term with the exception of a one-time, maximum one-year leave of absence for study abroad programs, documented medical reasons, or extreme family financial hardship. Requests for a leave of absence/deferment shall be handled on a case-by-case basis only upon written request to the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority by the scholarship recipient prior to the period for which the leave of absence/deferment is required. The request shall be accompanied by supporting documentation including evidence of an approved leave of absence/deferment from the scholarship recipient's New Jersey institution.

(b) Duration of the scholarship is the awarding of an initial bachelor's degree or postgraduate degree as long as the individual remains a full-time student in good standing at the institution and fulfills all other requirements for renewal.

Amended by R.2002 d.290, effective September 3, 2002.
See: 34 N.J.R. 1392(a), 34 N.J.R. 3079(c).

SUBCHAPTER 7. NEW JERSEY WORLD TRADE CENTER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Authority

N.J.S.A. 18A:71B-23.7.

Source and Effective Date

R.2003 d.134, effective February 26, 2003.
See: 35 N.J.R. 1452(a).

Subchapter Historical Note

Subchapter 7, New Jersey World Trade Center Scholarship Program, was adopted as Emergency New Rules by R.2003 d.134, effective February 26, 2003 to expire April 27, 2003. See: Source and Effective Date.

9A:9-7.1 General provisions

General provisions for the Tuition Aid Grant and Garden State Scholarship Programs (N.J.A.C. 9A:9-2) which pertain to noncitizens and resident aliens (2.3), payments (2.11(a)1), award adjustments, refunds and collections (2.12), check endorsements (2.14), appeals (2.15), and accounting and auditing standards (2.16) shall be in effect for the New Jersey World Trade Center Scholarship Program.

9A:9-7.2 Eligible institutions

Scholarships are available to eligible students enrolled in an institution of higher education licensed by the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education or its equivalent in another state and accredited or preaccredited by a nationally recognized accrediting association. An institution of higher education shall also include certain proprietary institutions, but only for degree granting programs approved by the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education, or other proprietary institutions as determined by the Authority.

9A:9-7.3 Undergraduate enrollment

The dependent child or surviving spouse must be enrolled or plan to be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student in good standing in a curriculum leading to a degree at an institution of higher education in order to be eligible to receive a New Jersey World Trade Center Scholarship. Students possessing a Baccalaureate Degree are not eligible.

9A:9-7.4 Eligibility requirements and financial need

(a) Scholarships shall be awarded annually for the costs of undergraduate study at an eligible institution of higher education to the dependent children or surviving spouses of persons who were New Jersey residents on September 11, 2001 and who were killed in the terrorist attack on the United States on September 11, 2001, or who died as a result of injuries received in the attack, or who are missing and officially presumed dead as a direct result of the attack. The terrorist attack on the United States shall include the hijackings of American Airlines Flight 11, American Airlines Flight 77, United Airlines Flight 93 and United Airlines Flight 175 and the subsequent crashes at the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon in Washington, DC and in Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

(b) The period of eligibility to apply for a scholarship, in the case of a surviving spouse, shall be limited to a period of eight years from the date of death of the person described in (a) above for initial receipt of the benefits under the program. In the case of a dependent child, eligibility shall be limited to a period of eight years following graduation from high school.

(c) For the purpose of establishing the financial need eligibility of students for this scholarship, those students incurring the cost of a full-time undergraduate program of study at an eligible institution of higher education, having lost the financial resources of a parent or spouse, are deemed to have financial need.

9A:9-7.5 Application procedures

In order to apply for the New Jersey World Trade Center Scholarship, the student must complete a scholarship program application and submit it to the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority. The Authority will determine the student's eligibility for the scholarship and obtain verification from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety concerning the relationship of the dependent child or surviving spouse to the terrorist attack of September 11, 2001.

9A:9-7.6 Amount of the scholarship

The scholarship shall pay the annual costs of the student's undergraduate study at an eligible institution of higher education up to the annual cost of attendance at the highest cost public institution of higher education in New Jersey as determined by that institution. The value of the student's scholarship may change dependent upon State appropriated funds, moneys contributed to the New Jersey World Trade Center Scholarship Fund from private sources, investment earnings of the fund, the student's cost of attendance and other financial assistance available to the student to meet higher education costs. The student will be notified of any change in his or her scholarship.

9A:9-7.7 Student notification

Students will be notified of their eligibility for a scholarship by the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority. Notification to eligible students will specify the amount of the scholarship based on their annual costs of undergraduate study and will provide information regarding the manner in which payment will be disbursed from moneys in the New Jersey World Trade Center Scholarship Fund.

9A:9-7.8 Verification of enrollment and academic performance

Before payment may be made to an eligible student, the institution must certify that the student has registered full time for an academic term in an undergraduate degree program and that the student is meeting the minimum standards for academic performance and academic progress at the institution in accordance with N.J.A.C. 9A:9-2.10.

9A:9-7.9 Renewal

In order to continue to receive a New Jersey World Trade Center Scholarship, students must continue to be enrolled full time in an undergraduate degree program and remain in good academic standing at their institution.

SUBCHAPTER 8. (RESERVED)**SUBCHAPTER 9. PAUL DOUGLAS TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM****9A:9-9.1 Rules and statutes incorporated by reference**

(a) The part of the Code of Federal Regulations known as 34 C.F.R. 653 (as of November 25, 1987) including all subsequent amendments and supplements is hereby adopted as rules and incorporated within this subchapter.

(b) The part of the United States Code known as Title 20, Chapter 28, Subchapter V, Part D, 20 U.S.C. 1111 (as of October 17, 1986) including all subsequent amendments and supplements is hereby adopted as rules and incorporated within this subchapter.

(c) The provisions of N.J.A.C. 9A:9-2.2 residency, 2.3 noncitizens and resident aliens, 2.14 check endorsements, 2.15 appeals and 2.16 accounting and auditing standards, shall also apply to this program unless they are inconsistent with or otherwise excepted within the provisions of this subchapter.

Amended by R.1988 d.128, effective March 21, 1988.
See: 20 N.J.R. 33(a), 20 N.J.R. 656(a).

Deleted "fiscal responsibilities" and substituted "accounting and auditing standards".

Amended by R.1992 d.164, effective April 6, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 8(a), 24 N.J.R. 1341(a).

Revised section.

Amended by R.1992 d.486, effective December 7, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 2510(a), 24 N.J.R. 4373(a).

Revised (c).

Amended by R.1994 d.13, effective January 3, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 3594(a), 26 N.J.R. 219(a).

Amended by R.1995 d.428, effective August 7, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2043(a), 27 N.J.R. 2906(a).

Corrected references.

Amended by R.1997 d.454, effective November 3, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 2763(a), 29 N.J.R. 4679(b).

Substituted "non-citizens and resident aliens" for "foreign nationals".

9A:9-9.2 (Reserved)

Amended by R.1992 d.164, effective April 6, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 8(a), 24 N.J.R. 1341(a).

Revised text.

Repealed by R.1994 d.13, effective January 3, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 3594(a), 26 N.J.R. 219(a).

Section was "Definitions".

9A:9-9.3 Academic requirements for application

An applicant for the program must rank in the top 10 percent of his or her secondary school graduating class or have General Education Development (GED) test scores equivalent to ranking in the top 10 percent of the high school graduates in the state, or nationally, in the academic year for which the eligibility determination is being made.

Amended by R.1994 d.13, effective January 3, 1994.

See: 25 N.J.R. 3594(a), 26 N.J.R. 219(a).

9A:9-9.4 Attendance in an eligible institution

An applicant must be enrolled or plan to enroll on a full-time basis at an institution of higher education that is currently accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association, in accordance with the Federal codes referenced in N.J.A.C. 9A:9-9.1(a) and (b). In addition, the applicant must be pursuing a course of study leading to a teaching certificate but not including graduate study that is not required for initial teacher certification.

Amended by R.1992 d.164, effective April 6, 1992.

See: 24 N.J.R. 8(a), 24 N.J.R. 1341(a).

Revised text.

Amended by R.1994 d.13, effective January 3, 1994.
See: 25 N.J.R. 3594(a), 26 N.J.R. 219(a).
Amended by R.1995 d.428, effective August 7, 1995.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2043(a), 27 N.J.R. 2906(a).
Corrected references.