

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–2303(b) and 18–2503

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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18–2303.

(b) Each recipient of a Maryland HOPE Scholarship shall:

(1) Be accepted for admission in a regular undergraduate program at an eligible institution in the State;

(2) Be a resident of the State;

(3) Earn a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent in core curriculum courses as calculated and indicated on the high school transcript after the first semester of the senior year of high school;

(4) Begin attending an eligible institution within 2 years of completing high school or, failing to do so, provide evidence satisfactory to the Administration of extenuating circumstances;

(5) Enroll as a full-time student at an eligible institution;

(6) Have an annual total family income of [[\$80,000] \$95,000 or below;

(7) Accept any other conditions attached to the award; and

(8) Satisfy any additional criteria the Maryland Higher Education Commission may establish.

18–2503.

To qualify for a Community College Transfer Scholarship, an applicant shall:

(1) Be a resident of the State;

(2) Be a student at a community college in the State;

(3) Maintain a cumulative 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale while a student at a community college in the State;

(4) Have completed at least 60 credits at a community college in the State or have earned an Associate's Degree by the end of the semester in which the applicant plans to transfer;

(5) Be accepted for admission in a degree program at a 4-year private or public institution of higher education in the State;