

(b) (1) [A] SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A recipient of the Maryland Teacher Scholarship shall:

[(1)] (I) Be a Maryland resident;

[(2)] (II) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, be accepted for admission or currently enrolled at an eligible institution as a ~~full-time undergraduate student or a~~ full-time or part-time UNDERGRADUATE OR graduate student pursuing a course of study or program in an academic discipline leading to a Maryland professional teacher's certificate;

[(3)] (i) (III) 1. For a student currently enrolled in high school, have earned a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent in core curriculum courses at the time of application; or

[(ii)] 2. For a student currently enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student, have maintained a grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and have been making satisfactory progress toward a degree in an academic discipline leading to a Maryland professional teacher's certificate;

[(4)] (IV) Sign a letter of intent to perform the service obligation upon completion of the recipient's required studies;

[(5)] (V) Accept any other conditions attached to the award; and

[(6)] (VI) Satisfy any additional criteria the Commission may establish.

(2) NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, AN INDIVIDUAL WHO, AT THE TIME THE INDIVIDUAL IS SCHEDULED TO MATRICULATE AT AN ELIGIBLE INSTITUTION, WILL HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED AS A TEACHING ASSISTANT AT A PUBLIC ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THE STATE FOR AT LEAST 2 YEARS:

(I) MAY APPLY FOR A MARYLAND TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; AND

(II) IS ELIGIBLE TO HOLD A MARYLAND TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP AS A FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME UNDERGRADUATE OR GRADUATE STUDENT.

(c) A recipient of the Maryland Teacher Scholarship may not hold a Maryland professional teacher's certificate.

(d) (1) Applicants who are secondary school students shall provide a high school transcript after completion of the first semester of their senior year.

(2) Applicants who are currently enrolled in an eligible institution shall provide the most recent college transcript, or if not applicable, the applicant may submit a final high school transcript.

(3) Applicants who are not currently enrolled in an eligible institution, but who are high school graduates shall provide a final high school transcript.