

(1) There is a reciprocal agreement as provided in § 18-308 of this subtitle; and

(2) The school meets requirements of subsection (a)(1) of this section.

(c) The [Administration] OFFICE may not award more than 10% of the funds available for each of the types of grants awarded under this subtitle for use by students attending schools in another state.

18-306.

(a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (d) of this section, each recipient of an Educational Excellence Award may hold the award for 5 years if the recipient:

(1) Continues to be a resident of this State;

(2) Continues to be a full-time student at an eligible institution and takes at least 12 semester hours of courses each semester, or its equivalent as determined by the [Administration] OFFICE;

(3) In the judgment of the institution, is making satisfactory progress toward a degree; and

(4) Maintains the standards of the institution.

(b) Each recipient of an Educational Excellence Award who is enrolled in an associate degree program as permitted in § 18-303(b)(1) of this subtitle may hold the award for 3 years if the same conditions of subsection (a) of this section are met.

(c) Each recipient of an Educational Excellence Award may hold the award for a 5th year if the recipient:

(1) Is enrolled in an academic program that, as determined by the institution, requires 5 years to complete; or

(2) Provides evidence, satisfactory to the [State Scholarship Administration] OFFICE, of extenuating financial, academic, or other circumstances that prevent the recipient from completing the academic program in 4 years.

(d) In addition to the requirements for renewal of an Educational Excellence Award under subsections (a), (b), and (c) of this section, a recipient of a Guaranteed Access Grant shall hold the grant for not more than 5 consecutive years or, failing to do so, provide evidence satisfactory to the [State Scholarship Administration] OFFICE of extenuating circumstances.

18-307.

(a) [The Administration] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, THE OFFICE shall compile and certify lists for the entire State that rank applicants by financial need.

(b) All funds for annual initial grants shall be awarded from the statewide list on the basis of greatest financial need.