2023 Kansas Statutes

74-32,275. Promise scholarship eligibility and requirements. (a) To be eligible for a Kansas promise scholarship, a student shall:

(1) Be a United States citizen;

(2) be a Kansas resident;

(3) (A) have graduated from an accredited Kansas public or private secondary school within the preceding 12 months;

(B) have completed the requirements for graduation at a non-accredited private secondary school as provided in K.S.A. 72-4345, and amendments thereto, within the preceding 12 months;

(C) attended an accredited Kansas public or private secondary school or non-accredited private school as provided in K.S.A. 72-4345, and amendments thereto, and obtained a high school equivalency certificate within the preceding 12 months;
(D) upon application for a scholarship, have been a resident of Kansas for three or more consecutive years as evidenced by the date of issuance on a Kansas-issued identification card or through Kansas voter registration records or Kansas income tax documentation;

(E) be a dependent child of a military servicemember permanently stationed in another state and who, within the preceding 12 months, graduated from any out-of-state secondary school or obtained a high school equivalency certificate; or

(F) have been in the custody of the secretary for children and families at any time such student was enrolled in and attending any of the grades nine through 12 and not eligible for assistance under the Kansas foster child educational assistance act, K.S.A. 75-53,111 et seq., and amendments thereto;

(4) complete the required scholarship application on such forms and in such manner as established by the state board of regents;

(5) enter into a Kansas promise scholarship agreement pursuant to K.S.A. 2023 Supp. 74-32,276, and amendments thereto;

(6) complete the free application for federal student aid for the academic year in which the student applies to receive a Kansas promise scholarship. Such submitted application shall be determined to be valid and free of error codes in order to calculate the amount of scholarship to be awarded; and

(7) enroll in an eligible postsecondary educational institution in a promise eligible program.

(b) (1) To continue to receive a Kansas promise scholarship, a student shall:

(A) Maintain satisfactory academic progress, including a grade point average of 2.0 or higher, or the equivalent thereof, in the courses of the promise eligible program for which the student received a Kansas promise scholarship; and

(B) satisfy the requirements of a Kansas promise scholarship agreement as provided in K.S.A. 2023 Supp. 74-32,276, and amendments thereto.

(2) Any student who entered into a Kansas promise scholarship agreement under the provisions of the Kansas promise scholarship act as such act existed at the time such agreement was entered into shall be entitled to continue to use such Kansas promise scholarship and receive scholarship renewals to fulfill the requirements of such student's Kansas promise scholarship agreement. No subsequent revision or amendment to the Kansas promise scholarship act, the rules and regulations adopted thereunder, the list of approved promise eligible programs or the appropriations made pursuant to such act shall have the effect of terminating a student's Kansas promise scholarship agreement solely due to such amendment or revision.
(c) Nothing in this act shall prohibit a student who received postsecondary course credit while enrolled in high school from qualifying for a Kansas promise scholarship.
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