**K12 PROGRAMS: UPDATE FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**Disabilities Grant**
- Current recipients should be renewing for next year on the Disabilities Grant Student Portal now.
- The application for new students is available as of May 1 on the Disabilities Grant website. Families must submit a DEC3 Eligibility Determination within a week of submitting an application. More information about the required document is here. For the Disabilities Grant, there is no lottery. Completed applications are reviewed in the order in which they are received.

**Testing** for both Disabilities Grant and Opportunity Scholarship
Schools are required to administer a nationally standardized test to all Disabilities Grant and Opportunity Scholarship recipients in grades 3 and higher. Testing results must be submitted to SEAA by July 15.

**Opportunity Scholarship: this year (2015-16)**
IMPORTANT: 2015-16 disbursement processes will conclude in June. Signed Endorsement Forms must be received by Friday, June 24 for 2015-16 payment processing. If you do not have an Endorsement Form for a Scholarship recipient at your school contact the Opportunity Scholarship Program immediately.

Complete a Withdrawal Form when a student discontinues enrollment whether or not funds are to be returned. Click here for a Disabilities withdrawal form and here for an Opportunity form. (For dual recipients, submit either form.)

**Opportunity Scholarship: next year (2016-17)**
- 3,000 new student Opportunity Scholarships for 2016-17 have been offered. Families were asked to accept or decline by May 2. The Interested Applicants on the Nonpublic School Portal list those students who chose your school. Students with "unknown" as the school choice do not appear on these lists. **What are Interested Applicants?** Schools can use these lists to assist families with enrollment. You do not need to do anything or submit anything to Opportunity Scholarship for the students on these lists.

- Families who applied in March have been notified via the Opportunity Scholarship Student Portal of their eligibility status. Eligible new students are on the waitlist. **How does the waitlist work?** The Opportunity Scholarship waitlist for 2016-17 consists first of students whose families applied in February and who were not chosen in the lottery, in the order of their lottery number. Eligible students whose applications were received after March 1 are next on the waitlist in the order of the application submission date.

- All students (entering 2nd grade and up) who are awarded an Opportunity Scholarship for 2016-17 are verified with the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to confirm enrollment eligibility. Some households are chosen for Income Verification to confirm income eligibility. **How does a family know about verification?** The Opportunity Scholarship will notify families via the Student Portal of any documents required. Encourage families to sign on to the Portal frequently.

**Opportunity Scholarship Program**
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