K12 PROGRAMS: UPDATE FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS

Two policies regarding Testing for Disabilities Grant / Opportunity Scholarship students

1. If a student enrolls after a school's testing window (test in October and student enrolled in January) the school is still responsible for test results for that student. Schedule an independent test administration for that student. However, if a student withdraws before a school’s testing window (test in April and student withdraws in January) the school is not responsible for test results for that student.

2. For 2015-16, if a student has identified and documented disabilities, a school can test at an ability-appropriate grade level for that student instead of at the actual grade level. This circumstance should be rare, and the school must be ready with documentation (if asked) which provides evidence for the testing decision. The policy regarding the testing of students with disabilities is under review for 2016-17. SEAA will publicize a formal policy prior to the beginning of the fall semester. All K-12 Program Recipients 3rd grade and up must be tested.

Opportunity Scholarship AND Disabilities Grant

IMPORTANT: 2015-16 disbursement processes will conclude in mid-June. If you do not have an Endorsement Form for a recipient at your school contact SEAA immediately. Payments will not be made to schools for 2015-16 after mid-June. An exact deadline will be determined and publicized soon.

Opportunity Scholarship news

Additional new student Opportunity Scholarships for 2016-17 were offered. If a newly awarded student has your school listed you will see List 2118 in the Interested Applicants section of the Nonpublic School Portal. These families need to accept or decline by June 6. Income Verification for a percentage of all awarded students is ongoing. Families being verified submit documentation by June 6.

Disabilities Grant news

Renewals will receive an award offer by the end of May. New families who applied by May 13 will receive an eligibility status by the end of May. Other new families will receive an eligibility status in June. Awards for new 2016-17 students are contingent upon funding availability and are scheduled to be made by July 1. Award process information was reviewed here.

Which families need to ACCEPT the award offer?

- Disabilities Grant: Both new and renewal families need to accept the award offer on the Disabilities Grant Student Portal.
- Opportunity Scholarship: New families need to accept the award offer on the Opportunity Scholarship Student Portal. Renewal families do not need to accept the award offer.

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