

# SC Commission on Higher Education Residency and Scholarship & Grants Workshops Summer 2020

## Q & A

### Residency Questions

**Q:** Also, for military members stationed in SC- do we have to get orders that show they have a "Permanent Change of Station" to SC? Not all branches seem to give these type of orders (thinking mainly of the orders I've gotten from Active Duty members in the Navy....

**A:** As long as the orders you receive lists them as active duty and permanently assigned in South Carolina, you can accept them. The regulation is clear in Section 62-609 (A)(1) that them member must be permanently assigned in South Carolina on active duty.

### Scholarships & Grants Questions

**Q:** When will institutions receive their estimated SC Need-Based Grant allocations for 2020-2021?

**A:** Institutions need to submit their enrollment projections to CHE before allocations can be distributed. CHE is hoping to send estimated SC Need-Based Grant allocation for 2020-2021 in mid-to-late July. Please make sure your Enrollment Manager has submitted your institution's enrollment projections to CHE.

**Q:** What have the SC high schools been told about ranking reports?

**A:** SC High Schools are aware that ranking reports are required to be submitted to colleges and universities in order for them to be able to award scholarships. We cover this in our training session with School Counselors. However, we will add a reminder memo to our communication plan for School Counselors.

**Q:** If a student opts to take a break in enrollment this fall 2020, will they be eligible to receive a term of their state scholarship for the following summer 2021 session, since they have to make up their hours over summer?

**A:** As of now, the continued eligibility requirements have not changed. To be eligible for the summer 2021 term, the student needs to be eligible at the end of the Spring 2021 term for the next year. Students utilizing the break in enrollment for fall 2020, will still need to meet the continuing eligibility requirements for scholarships. Scholarship continuing eligibility

requirements (PFS: 30 earned credit hours and an institutional 3.0 GPA; and LIFE: 3.0 LIFE GPA and an average of 30 earned credit hours) are assessed at the end of the Spring term. Students can attend Summer term to meet the continued eligibility requirements and regain eligibility for the Fall 2021 term, however they will not be able to use a term of their scholarship for Summer 2021 because they did not meet the continuing eligibility requirements at the end of Spring 2021.

**Q:** Question regarding Foster Care Youth-- the required form and DSS letter- must there be one on file for each aid year? Or will one form and one DSS letter suffice for that student for the duration of their time at our institution?

**A:** For Foster Care Youth funding, the student only needs one completed waiver form and DSS letter on file per institution. The student does not need to resubmit the waiver form and DSS letter every year at the same institution.