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Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Division 80—Teacher Quality and Urban Education
Chapter 860—Scholarships and Financial Aid

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PURPOSE: The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education has the authority to receive and expend federal funds for educational programs and to establish regulations for the administration of the programs in accordance with controlling federal statutes and regulations. This rule sets forth the general administrative procedures for the department’s implementation of the federally funded Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program.

PUBLISHER’S NOTE: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of the entire text of the material which is incorporated by reference as a portion of this rule would be unduly cumbersome or expensive. This material as incorporated by reference in this rule shall be maintained by the agency at its headquarters and shall be made available to the public for inspection and copying at no more than the actual cost of reproduction. This note applies only to the reference material. The entire text of the rule is printed here.

(1) The provisions of 34 CFR part 654, the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program, promulgated (59 FR 32657) June 24, 1994, are hereby incorporated by reference in this rule, as published by the Office of the Federal Register, U.S. National Archives and Records, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20408. This rule does not incorporate any subsequent amendments or additions.

(2) The following procedures will be used in the administration of the program:
   (A) September: Applications mailed to all high school (public and private) principals and counselors;
   (B) January through March: Applications received and student data entered into computer by congressional district;
   (C) April:
      1. Winners are selected on the basis of American College Test (ACT) or Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores. In the event of a tie, the applicant’s unweighted cumulative grade point average (GPA) will be used. A transcript evaluation will be conducted for further ties. In instances when the number of scholarships is not evenly divisible by nine (9), an equal number will be awarded in each congressional district. The remaining scholarships will be declared at-large scholarships. These will be used to provide awards to both students in the event of a tie in scores. Any remaining scholarships will be awarded to the next highest scoring students statewide;
      2. Winners are sent an award letter, status verification form and statement of registration status; and
      3. Nonwinners are sent a letter of notification;
   (D) Status verification forms are received throughout the year; and
   (E) Scholarship checks are mailed directly to the students upon receipt of status verification forms.
