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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 Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program, which is a federally funded program authorized under Title IV, Part A, Subpart 6 of the Higher Education Act of 1965.

Editor's Note: The secretary of state has determined that the publication of this rule in its entirety would be unduly cumbersome or expensive. The entire text of the material referenced has been filed with the secretary of state. This material may be found at the Office of the Secretary of State or at the headquarters of the agency and is available to any interested person at a cost established by state law. This rule incorporates by reference the **Federal Register** of Tuesday, June 20, 1989, 34 CFR Part 654, Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program, final regulations, pp. 26006–26011 and the **Federal Register** of Tuesday, March 13, 1990, page 9398.

(1) The following procedures will be used in the administration of the program:

(A) January—Applications mailed to all high school (public and private) principals and counselors;

(B) January through March—Application blanks received and student data entered into computer by congressional district;

(C) April—

1. Winners are selected on the basis of American College Test test scores. 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, grade point average and class rank. In the event of a tie involving a general educational development student, both students would receive scholarships. 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:

3. Nonwinners are sent a letter of notification; and

4. A meeting is held for an advisory committee of counselors, principals and financial aid officers to get input on administrative procedures and selection criteria;

(D) May through September-Status verification forms are received; and

(E) September through February—Scholarship checks are mailed directly to the students.

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