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**Title 5—DEPARTMENT OF
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Urban Education**

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**5 CSR 80-860.010 Robert C. Byrd Honors
Scholarship Program**

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.

AUTHORITY: sections 161.092, RSMo Supp. 2005 and 178.430, RSMo 2000. Original rule filed Oct. 15, 1990, effective March 14, 1991. Amended: Filed Aug. 15, 2005, effective March 30, 2006.*

** Original authority: 161.092, RSMo 1963, amended 1973, 2002, 2003 and 178.430, RSMo 1963.*

**5 CSR 80-860.050 Urban Flight and Rural
Needs Scholarship Program**

PURPOSE: Section 173.232, RSMo, establishes a program that makes scholarships available for eligible students who make a commitment to a teaching career and who enroll in a college program leading to certification to teach in public schools of Missouri, the population of which includes a higher than average "at-risk student population." This rule sets forth the qualifications required of applicants for the scholarships, the criteria to be used in selecting scholarship recipients, terms to which a scholarship recipient must agree and repayment procedures to be followed by recipients who fail to fulfill their commitment to become certificated to teach or to teach in the public schools of Missouri, with a population which includes a higher than average "at-risk student population."

(1) Eligible applicants are defined as United States citizens and residents of Missouri who:

(A) Are high school seniors, students in a four (4)-year college or university located in Missouri, or students enrolled in a junior or community college located in Missouri with approved teacher education programs;

(B) Make a commitment to pursue an approved teacher education program and enroll as full-time students in an approved two (2)- or four (4)-year college or universi-

ty located in Missouri;

(C) Have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 and demonstrates financial need; and

(D) Meet the requirements for entry into an approved teacher education program in Missouri.

(2) Each student wishing to apply for a scholarship shall submit an application to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) on a form required by DESE by April 15 in order to be considered for the award of a scholarship for the fall and spring semesters. The application for Urban Flight and Rural Needs Scholarship is included herein.

(3) Each application shall contain information as may be required to enable DESE to select recipients under the provisions of this rule.

(4) Each eligible applicant will be notified by June 1 whether the applicant has or has not been selected as a recipient, pending legislative funding.

(5) Recipients will be selected from the group of eligible applicants on the basis of each applicant's qualifying GPA and financial need.

(6) Annually, DESE shall appoint a selection committee whose assignment shall be to review the eligible applicants on the basis of the criteria.

(7) In the event that there are more eligible applicants than can be granted scholarships because insufficient funds have been appropriated, scholarships shall be awarded ranking eligible applicants regarding cumulative GPA after seventh semester and financial need.

(8) In the event that a designated recipient declines to accept a scholarship, the scholarship shall be offered to the next highest ranked eligible applicant, if any.

(9) Following notification that the applicant has been selected to receive a scholarship, the applicant shall respond to DESE to accept or decline the scholarship. The recipient (and parents or guardians, if the recipient is under eighteen (18) years of age) shall sign an agreement form which obligates the student to fulfill the commitment to be made by recipients with the provision that funds received under the terms of this rule shall be repaid according to the terms of this rule if the student defaults on the commitments.



The Urban Flight and Rural Needs Scholarship agreement form is included herein.

(10) After a recipient has completed admission and registration procedures at the college or university and is ready to attend class at the beginning of the fall semester of the program year (fiscal year), a copy of the student's schedule must be sent to DESE within thirty (30) days after the start of the semester. Following completion of the semester coursework, the student must submit a DESE invoice form with official transcripts within thirty (30) days of the semester end. Upon receipt of the official transcripts, a check will be issued to the student for the eligible student's tuition and fees, if a GPA of 2.5 or higher has been obtained. A similar procedure shall occur for each concurrent semester until a total of eight (8) semesters or four (4) years have occurred.

(11) On the two (2) occasions, at the beginning of the first and second semesters after the recipient has completed all enrollment requirements and is ready to attend class, the recipient (and parents or guardians, if the recipient is under eighteen (18) years of age) shall sign a Form A which obligates the student to fulfill the commitment to be made by recipients with the provision that funds received under the terms of this rule shall be repaid according to the terms of this rule if the student defaults on the commitments. The Form A for the Urban Flight and Rural Needs Scholarship is included herein.

(12) Eligible colleges or universities must:

- (A) Be located in Missouri; and
- (B) Offer a teacher education program approved by DESE.

(13) Before receiving any funds from the state under terms of the Urban Flight and Rural Needs Scholarship Program, each designated recipient must agree to the following terms and conditions:

(A) To enroll in and complete a college program designed to qualify the recipient for a Missouri teaching certificate within five (5) years from the date of receiving funds under the scholarship program (three (3) years in the case of students transferring from a junior or community college);

(B) To teach on a full-time basis for a period of up to eight (8) years (two (2) years for each year of scholarship funding) in a Missouri public elementary or secondary school, the population of which includes a higher than average "at-risk student population" after receiving a teaching certificate;

(C) To notify DESE each fall and spring semester, on the Urban Flight and Rural Needs Form A of the applicant's current status as a student during years of college attendance. Form A is included herein;

(D) To notify DESE annually of their teaching status for a period of up to eight (8) years in a Missouri public school with a higher than average "at-risk student population;"

(E) To repay the scholarship funds received from the state in accordance with terms set forth in this rule if any one (1) of the following events occurs:

1. The recipient ceases study leading to teacher certification for any reason, including, but not limited to:

A. Failure to maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5;

B. Enrollment and attendance during any fall or spring semester with less than twelve (12) semester hours (less than full-time) in a program leading to certification to teach in Missouri public schools;

C. Change of career goal as evidenced by the nature of courses selected in colleges;

D. Discontinuance of college attendance; or

E. Dismissal, suspension or expulsion from college for any reason;

2. The recipient fails to be hired for or to accept a full-time teaching position in a Missouri public school, the population of which includes a higher than average "at-risk student population" within ten (10) months of receiving certification to teach in Missouri public schools; or

3. The recipient fails to teach on a full-time basis for a period of eight (8) years in a Missouri public elementary or secondary school with a higher than average "at-risk student population" or two (2) years for each one (1) year of scholarship funding.

(14) If a recipient does not complete requirements for certification to teach in public elementary and secondary schools in Missouri in accordance with the terms of this rule, the scholarship amount shall be considered as a loan to the recipient and interest at the rate of nine and one-half percent (9.5%) per year shall be charged on the unpaid balance of the amount received from the state from the date the recipient ceased study leading to teacher certification until the amount received has been paid back to the state.

(15) If a recipient fails to be hired for or to accept a full-time teaching position in a Missouri public elementary or secondary school with a population that includes a higher than average "at-risk student population"

within ten (10) months after receiving certification to teach in Missouri public elementary or secondary schools, the scholarship amount shall be considered as a loan to the recipient and interest at the rate of nine and one-half percent (9.5%) per year shall be charged on the unpaid balance of the amount received from the state from the date ten (10) months after receiving certification until the amount has been paid back to the state.

(16) If a recipient does not continue to teach on a full-time basis in a Missouri public elementary or secondary school for a period of eight (8) years after receiving a degree (or two (2) years of teaching for each year of scholarship funding), the scholarship amount shall be considered as a loan to the recipient and interest at the rate of nine and one-half percent (9.5%) per year shall be charged on the unpaid balance of the amount received from the date the recipient ceases to teach until the amount received has been paid back to the state. For each year, up to eight (8) years, that the recipient teaches in a Missouri public elementary or secondary school, one-eighth (1/8) of the amount received under the scholarship program shall be applied against the total amount received and shall not be subject to repayment.

(17) The amount received (plus interest) shall be repaid to the state within five (5) years of the date of default; except that repayment shall not be triggered for a period of not more than:

(A) One (1) year by a recipient's returning to full-time study after two (2) years of teaching in a Missouri public elementary or secondary school; or

(B) One (1) semester by a recipient's requesting and receiving maternity leave from a Missouri public school district if the recipient returns to a teaching position in a Missouri public elementary or secondary school following this interruption of employment.

(18) The obligation to teach on a full-time basis in a Missouri public elementary or secondary school with a higher than average "at-risk student population" for a period of eight (8) years following certification shall not be altered by any such moratorium on the requirement to repay the scholarship funds.



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
DIVISION OF TEACHER QUALITY AND URBAN EDUCATION
EDUCATOR RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION
 P.O. Box 480, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0480
APPLICATION FOR URBAN FLIGHT AND RURAL NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP

INSTRUCTIONS			
RETURN THIS APPLICATION ALONG WITH ALL OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS AND A STUDENT FINANCIAL AID REPORT TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS-APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY APRIL 15			
APPLICANT INFORMATION			
*SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER		CURRENT NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)	
HOME ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
COUNTY	DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER(S) () ()		
NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN			
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER ()			
ETHNIC ORIGIN (CHECK ONE)			GENDER: ___ MALE ___ FEMALE
<input type="checkbox"/> BLACK <input type="checkbox"/> HISPANIC <input type="checkbox"/> INDIAN <input type="checkbox"/> WHITE <input type="checkbox"/> ASIAN <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____			
*View the Social Security number disclosure: http://dese.mo.gov/school/law/fregaskues/SSN_Disclosure.pdf			
IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE, LIST THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OR 4-YEAR COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY THAT YOU WOULD ATTEND IF YOU WERE AWARDED A SCHOLARSHIP. THESE INSTITUTIONS MUST HAVE AN APPROVED TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM AND MUST BE IN MISSOURI. (1) _____ (2) _____			
IN WHAT SUBJECT AREA WOULD YOU PREFER TO SPECIALIZE?			
HIGH SCHOOL/INSTITUTION CURRENTLY ATTENDING			
CURRENT ACADEMIC STATUS (CHECK)			
<input type="checkbox"/> HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR _____ HOURS COMPLETED AT DECEMBER OF CURRENT YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY FRESHMAN _____ HOURS COMPLETED AT DECEMBER OF CURRENT YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY SOPHOMORE _____ HOURS COMPLETED AT DECEMBER OF CURRENT YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> RETURNING ADULT STUDENT _____ HOURS COMPLETED <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____			
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE		DATE	



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EDUCATOR RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION
 P.O. Box 480, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0480
AGREEMENT FORM FOR THE URBAN FLIGHT AND RURAL NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP

PERSONAL DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION:			
*SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER			
CURRENT NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)			
STREET ADDRESS			
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE			
E-MAIL ADDRESS			
DAYTIME PHONE NUMBERS () ()			
NAME OF UNDERGRADUATE INSTITUTION			
UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR			
* View the Social Security number disclosure: http://dese.mo.gov/schoolaw/freqesques/SSN_Disclosure.pdf			
ASSURANCES			
<p>I understand and agree that upon acceptance of scholarship funds through the Urban Flight and Rural Needs Scholarship Program, I shall remain a full-time student in an approved teacher education program through a Missouri college or university until which time I have acquired the credits deemed necessary by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to be eligible for a Missouri teaching certificate (not to exceed five (5) years if attending a four (4) year college or three (3) years if attending a community or junior college).</p> <p>Upon acceptance of scholarship funds through the Urban Flight and Rural Need Scholarship Program and after acquiring and receiving a Missouri teaching certificate, I understand that I have ten (10) months to acquire a full-time teaching position in a Missouri public elementary or secondary school, the population of which includes a higher than average "at-risk student population."</p> <p>I understand that failure to be employed as a full-time teacher in a Missouri public school with a population of which includes a higher than average "at-risk student population," for the number of years not to exceed eight (8) years or two (2) years for every year of funding through the Urban Flight and Rural Needs Scholarship program, that I will be required to repay all scholarship funds received through said scholarship with an interest of <u>9.5%</u>. The amount to repay may be reduced by the number of years taught.</p>			
Date Signed		Signature of Borrower	
Address		City	State
			Zip Code
NOTARY INFORMATION			
NOTARY PUBLIC EMBOSS OR BLACK INK RUBBER STAMP SEAL	STATE		COUNTY (OR CITY OF ST. LOUIS)
	SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME THIS		
	DAY OF	YEAR	USE RUBBER STAMP IN CLEAR AREA BELOW
	NOTARY PUBLIC SIGNATURE	MY COMMISSION EXPIRES	
NOTARY PUBLIC NAME (TYPED OR PRINTED)			



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