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Division 10—Commissioner of Higher Education

Chapter 8-Dwight D. Eisenhower Mathematics and Science Education Act

6 CSR 10-8.010 General Provisions

PURPOSE: The Coordinating Board for Higher Education has the authority to receive and expend federal funds for educational programs and to establish rules for the administration of the programs in accordance with federal statutes and regulations. This rule sets forth the general provisions governing programs operated by institutions of higher education under the Dwight D. Eisenhower Mathematics and Science Education Act of 1988. This rule incorporates by reference the federal regulations for this program, 34 CFR Part 208, dated August 10, 1989.

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(1) All projects implemented with funds under the Eisenhower program (Title II, Part A) shall be implemented according to the provision of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Mathematics and Science Education Act; its implementing regulations contained in the Code of Federal Regulations,: 34 CFR Part 208; and the administrative rules of this chapter.

(2) The program supports projects designed to improve the quality of instruction in mathematics and science in elementary and secondary schools. Project outcomes include both quantitative and qualitative refinements in teacher skills, course content and student achievement. Formats may include workshops and traditional vehicles for reinvigorating inservice and preservice teachers. Dissemination also must be an important element of all projects.

(3) The funds available to institutions of higher education shall be used to train new teachers in mathematics and science; retrain teachers in mathematics and science; and provide in-service training for elementary, secondary and vocational school teachers and other school personnel in mathematics and science. Funds may be used to supplement but not to supplant, other federal funds.

(4) Any institution of higher education receiving an award will ensure that its program meets the need for greater access to and participation in mathematics and science by historically underrepresented and underserved groups, including females, minorities, individuals with limited-English proficiency, the handicapped, migrants, and the gifted and talented.

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6 CSR 10-8.020 Administration and Operation of Program

PURPOSE: This rule establishes the policies and procedures for the administration of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Mathematics and Science Education Act by the Coordinating Board for Higher Education and under which institutions of higher education can apply for federal assistance under Title II, Part A of that Act.

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(1) Definitions.

(A) Coordinating Board for Higher Education (CBHE) means the coordinating board created by the Omnibus State Reorganization Act, Law, 1974, p. 530.

(B) Institution of higher education (IHE) means any regionally accredited two (2)- or four (4)-year postsecondary institution with its principal campus located in the state.

(C) Local education agency (LEA) means a group of K-12 teachers, a K-12 school or a consortium of K-12 schools.

(2) Applications for Funds.

(A) Ninety-five percent (95%) of the funds appropriated in each award year will be available for competitive grants to IHEs. The IHEs will submit proposals in response to and in accordance with a written solicitation from CBHE. Each proposal must be accompanied by a letter of endorsement signed by the sponsoring IHE's chief executive officer or a specifically designated representative for grant applications.

(B) The CBHE will make every effort to ensure equitable participation of private and public institutions of higher education in the competition, as well as to make certain that statewide needs in mathematics and science education are met. The CBHE will ensure that awards are made on the basis of careful review of merit and objective ranking of proposals by qualified reviewers. Selection of proposals for funding will be based on their intrinsic value and their responsiveness to state needs and priorities as determined by the CBHE and published in the grant application announcement.

(C) Each IHE approved for a grant must sign a contractual agreement that details the IHE's obligations and sets deadlines for required reports and reimbursement requests.

(D) Proposals not received by the deadline established in the grant application announcement will not be considered for funding.

(E) Grant applications must document an agreement with an LEA that involves substantive collaboration.

(3) Management, Fiscal and Audit Standards.

(A) Each IHE receiving a grant must agree to administer each Eisenhower grant through a separate account that can be easily identified and verified. Institutions assume all responsibility for project cost overruns.

(B) Reimbursement will be for services rendered only and will be available to IHEs in three (3) approximately equal disbursements from the CBHE. Final payment will be made only after all required reports and evaluations have been submitted and approved.

(C) Audit and accounting procedures of the IHE must comply with OMB Circular A-102, OMB Circular A-110 and OMB Circular A-133. Any IHE finding regarding an Eisenhower grant project must be submitted to the CBHE.

(D) Any expenditures incurred before the start date designated for the project by the CBHE will not be reimbursed.

(4) State Administrative Responsibilities. The CBHE shall aid the IHEs by providing technical assistance, assisting in the evaluation of the project, monitoring each project, and taking whatever action is necessary to properly manage each program and to avoid illegal, imprudent, wasteful or extravagant use of funds.

(5) Complaint Procedure.

(A) An institution with a grievance regarding the distribution of an Eisenhower grant must register its intent to appeal the decision to the CBHE within fourteen (14) days after awards are announced. Within two (2) weeks after that submission the institution must tender a written statement summarizing the grounds for appeal. Arrangements for a public hearing before the CBHE or its designee will be made in a timely manner.

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(B) Grounds for appeal may not include judgments of relative merit.

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