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- (10) Evaluation report plan. (10 points) The Secretary reviews each State's application to evaluate the quality of the proposed biennial evaluation report of the early intervention component of the program including—
- (i) The quality of the design of the component:
- (ii) The extent that the methods of evaluation are appropriate for the program and the extent they are objective and produce useful data that are quantifiable; and
- (iii) The State's commitment to design an evaluation report to measure objectively performance against, at a minimum, the following standards:
- (A) The effectiveness of the State's program in meeting the purposes of the program.
- (B) The effect of the program on the student recipients being served by the program.
- (C) The barriers to the effectiveness of the program and recommendations for changes or improvements to the program.
- (D) The cost-effectiveness of the program.
- (E) The extent to which the student recipients comply with the requirements of the program; and
- (iv) Any other pertinent program measurements concerning the early intervention component that the State believes would be useful to the Secretary, which may be displayed through analytical charts, tables, and graphs.
- (11) Prior experience. (20 points) In any award year subsequent to the 1994-95 award year, the initial year for which Federal funds were appropriated for this program, the Secretary gives priority to each State applicant that has conducted a NEISP Program within the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year for which the State applicant is applying in accordance with the following procedures:
- (i) To determine the number of priority points to be awarded each eligible State applicant, the Secretary considers the State's prior experience of program participation in accordance with paragraphs (d)(11) (ii) and (iii) of this section.
- (ii) The Secretary may add from one to twenty points to the point score ob-

tained on the basis of the selection criteria, based on the State applicant's success in meeting the administrative requirements and programmatic objectives of paragraph (d)(11)(iii) of this section.

- (iii) The Secretary—based on information contained in one or more of the following: Performance reports, audit reports, site visit reports, program evaluation reports, the previously funded application, the negotiated program plan or plans, previous State matching funds, and the application under consideration—considers information that shows—
- (A) (5 points) The extent to which the State's program has served the number of student participants it was funded to serve:
- (B) (5 points) The extent to which the State's program has achieved the goals and objectives as stated in the previously funded application or negotiated program plan;
- (C) (5 points) The extent to which the State has met the administrative requirements—including recordkeeping, reporting, and financial accountability—under the terms of the previously funded award; and
- (D) (5 points) The extent to which the State has provided funds to match its Federal allotment.
- (e) The Secretary disburses to each State selected in the competition conducted under paragraph (b) of this section an amount equal to not more than one-half of the total amount of funds from all sources the State projects that it will expend on its NEISP Program for a fiscal year as reported on its annual application under § 693.13(a)(1).

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-25)

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Subpart D—How Does a Student Participate in the Early Intervention Component Under the NEISP Program?

§ 693.30 What are the requirements for a student to be a participant in the early intervention component of this program?

The State agency administering the NEISP Program, as approved by the

Secretary under §693.10(b)(1), shall select students in preschool through grade 12 to participate in the State's early intervention component, each of whom—

- (a)(1) Is a citizen or a national of the United States;
- (2) Is a permanent resident of the United States;
- (3) Provides evidence from the Immigration and Naturalization Service that he or she is in the United States for other than a temporary purpose with the intention of becoming a citizen or permanent resident; or
- (4) Is a permanent resident of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands;
- (b) Is, at the time of initial selection, a priority student, an at-risk student, a disadvantaged student, or a student with a limited proficiency in English;
- (c) Has a need for academic support, as determined by the State, to pursue his or her education successfully;
 - (d) Resides within the State;
- (e) Is not currently enrolled in a program of postsecondary education;
- (f) Meets such other criteria as the State includes in its plan in order to meet the unique needs of the State and that are approved by the Secretary;
- (g) For an otherwise eligible student who is attending secondary school, is a student whom the State determines can reasonably be expected to meet the student eligibility requirements of 34 CFR 668.7 for Federal student financial assistance and such other requirements as necessary to qualify for State, local, or private student financial assistance, at such time as the student enrolls in postsecondary education.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-23)

Subpart E—How Does a State Award a Scholarship to a Student?

§ 693.40 What are the requirements for a student to receive a scholarship under this program?

To be eligible for a scholarship under the scholarship component of this program, a student must—

(a) Apply for the scholarship by following the application procedures and deadlines established by the State agency approved by the Secretary

under §693.10(b)(1) to administer the NEISP Program in the State in which the individual resides;

- (b) Meet the relevant eligibility requirements contained in 34 CFR 668.7;
- (c) Be less than 22 years old at the time his or her first scholarship is awarded:
- (d) Have a high school diploma or a certificate of high school equivalence received on or after January 1, 1993;
- (e) Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment in a program of instruction at an institution of higher education that is located within the State's boundaries, except that a State, at its option, may offer such a scholarship to a student who attends an eligible institution of higher education outside of the State;
- (f) If a State includes academic milestones in a student agreement under §693.11(a)(3) and requires the student to meet the milestones to be eligible for a scholarship, have met or exceeded the academic milestones to receive a scholarship; and
- (g)(1) Have participated in the early intervention component of the program under this part;
- (2) At the State's option, be a student whom the State documents as having successfully participated in a Federal Upward Bound Program funded under section 402C, chapter 1, subpart 2, part A of title IV of the HEA as determined by an administrator of the Federal Upward Bound program in which the student participated; or
- (3) At the State's option, be a student whom the State determines as having successfully participated in an early intervention program comparable to the early intervention component of the program under this part.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-24)

Subpart F—What Postaward Conditions Must Be Met by a State?

§ 693.50 What are allowable costs attributable to administration of the early intervention component?

A State may use its NEISP Program funds for the following allowable costs not specifically covered by 34 CFR