

Off. of Postsecondary Educ., Education

§ 694.15

**§ 694.13 What requirements must be met by a Partnership or State participating in GEAR UP with respect to 21st Century Scholarship Certificates?**

(a) A State or Partnership must provide, in accordance with procedures the Secretary may specify, a 21st Century Scholar Certificate from the Secretary to each student participating in the early intervention component of its GEAR UP project.

(b) 21st Century Scholarship Certificates must be personalized and indicate the amount of Federal financial aid for college that a student may be eligible to receive.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-26)

**§ 694.14 What requirements apply to a State that served students under the National Early Intervention Scholarship and Partnership program (NEISP) and that receives a GEAR UP grant?**

Any State that receives a grant under this part and that served students under the NEISP program on October 6, 1998 must continue to provide services under this part to those stu-

dents until they complete secondary school.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-21)

**§ 694.15 What priorities may the Secretary establish for a GEAR UP grant?**

For any fiscal year, the Secretary may select one or more of the following priorities:

(a) Projects by Partnerships or States that serve a substantial number or percentage of students who reside, or attend a school, in an Empowerment Zone, including a Supplemental Empowerment Zone, or Enterprise Community designated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development or the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

(b) Partnerships that establish or maintain a financial assistance program that awards scholarships to students, either in accordance with section 404E of the HEA, or in accordance with § 694.11, to strengthen the early intervention component of its GEAR UP project.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-21 to 1070a-28)