West Virginia Northern Community College

RENEWAL OF PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP

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Rule: This rule establishes guidelines and procedures which will direct the operation for renewal of the West Virginia Providing Real Opportunities for Maximizing In-State Student Excellence Scholarship Program, hereafter referred to as PROMISE.

Student Criteria:

To be eligible for the renewal of a PROMISE Scholarship:

- A. The student will be subject to the eligibility requirements established by the PROMISE Board at the time of the initial award;
- B. The student must maintain appropriate academic progress toward the completion of a degree at the undergraduate education level as defined by the PROMISE Board.

Amount of Award:

The award amount for a student enrolled in a public institution shall be based upon the current rule of the PROMISE Board.

Appeals Process:

A student granted an initial PROMISE Scholarship may appeal a non-renewal of the award at the institutional level. Any such appeal must be filed within fifteen (15) days of notification to the student that he or she is not eligible for renewal of the award. The appeal is to be filed with the Associate Director of Financial Aid or the Director Of Financial Aid at West Virginia Northern Community College. The appeal process at WVNCC shall be governed by an established procedure designated by WVNCC.

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If the appeal of the non-renewal is denied by WVNCC, the student may appeal that decision to the Executive Director at the PROMISE Board. The appeal must be filed within fifteen (15) days of notification to the student of denial of the institutional appeal and shall be heard in the same manner as appeals of denials of initial awards.

If a student with a PROMISE Scholarship is not eligible for renewal of the award because of failure to maintain academic progress, they may not utilize the procedure set out herein to challenge any grade assigned them. Challenges to grades must be brought under established WVNCC procedures for grade appeals. The process set out above may not be utilized to challenge the application of the eligibility requirements to the grade or grades assigned. If a student is successful on a grade appeal, and the changing of the grade makes them eligible once again for renewal, they may petition the PROMISE Board for a renewal of the award retroactively.