

K12 PROGRAMS: UPDATE FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS

Opportunity update

The priority deadline for the 2017-18 new student applicants was March 1. The application will remain open until funds are exhausted. Families and schools should expect the following:

March:

- Notification of eligibility to families of New Students
- Notification of a continuing eligibility / awards to families of Renewals

April:

- notification of award or waitlist status to families of New Students
- notification of "Pending Awards" to schools (see below)

April – June:

- verification of applicant information by SEAA
- both Renewals and New Students may be verified

July:

- Recipient Certification: confirmation of student eligibility / award

Pending Awards

On the [Nonpublic School Portal](#) the section which used to be "Interested Applicants" is now called "Pending Awards". There are several important notes:

1. All students, *both new and renewal*, who have been offered an Opportunity Scholarship award for 2017-18 and chosen your school will be on the "Pending Awards" lists.
2. The awards of students on the "Pending Awards" lists are *contingent* upon verification of student eligibility. Students are initially awarded based on the self-reported application information.
 - a. If the Program determines, after verification of that information, that the student is not eligible, the award will be canceled.
 - b. If the family does not respond to Program requests for verification documentation, the award will be canceled.

Program Reviews

The Program Rules for both the Opportunity Scholarship and the Disabilities Grant state that "Each Eligible School shall be subject to examination by the Authority (SEAA) ... to determine whether it has administered the Program in accordance with the Act and the Rules."

Information about Program Reviews by SEAA staff will be publicized in the next few months. Expect webinar training and information via these occasional K12 Nonpublic School Updates.

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