



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3301-101-06 Awarding scholarships.

Effective: June 27, 2024

(A) Scholarships will be awarded from fully completed applications received in the following order:

(1) First, to any eligible student enrolled in grades kindergarten through twelve who received a scholarship in the school year immediately prior to the year for which the scholarship is sought and for whom eligibility has not been terminated pursuant to rule 3301-101-08 of the Administrative Code;

(2) Then, to other eligible students.

(B)

Initial determinations will be made in the following manner:

(1) If the number of valid applications received is equal to or less than the number of scholarships authorized by section 3310.52 of the Revised Code, scholarships will be awarded to all eligible students. The department of education and workforce may establish procedures for the acceptance of applications and for the awarding of scholarships consistent with the priorities specified in paragraph (A) of this rule.

(2) If the number of valid applications received exceeds the number of scholarships authorized by section 3310.52 of the Revised Code, no additional applications will be accepted. Scholarships will be awarded in the manner set forth in paragraph (B)(3) of this rule.

(3) Scholarships will be awarded in the following manner:

(a) All eligible students who meet the condition described in paragraph (A)(1) of this rule will be awarded scholarships, if possible;



(b) If the number of eligible students who meet the condition described in paragraph (A)(1) of this rule exceed the number of scholarships authorized by section 3310.52 of the Revised Code, priority will be given based on the number of years the student has participated in the program. Regarding students with the same number of years of participation, the department will determine eligibility by lottery, if needed.

(c) If the number of eligible students who meet the condition described in paragraph (A)(2) of this rule is equal to or less than the number of total scholarships authorized by section 3310.52 of the Revised Code minus the number of scholarships awarded to eligible students meeting the condition of paragraph (A)(1) of this rule, all eligible students meeting the condition of paragraph (A)(2) of this rule will be awarded scholarships;

(d) If, after awarding scholarships to eligible students who meet the condition described in paragraph (A)(1) of this rule, the number of eligible students who meet the condition of paragraph (A)(2) of this rule exceeds the number of scholarships authorized by section 3310.52 of the Revised Code minus the number of scholarships awarded to eligible students meeting the condition of paragraph (A)(1) of this rule, the remaining scholarships will be awarded through the use of a lottery system.

(C) Applicants and the provider identified by the applicant will be notified of a scholarship award in writing, or through electronic communication, within thirty days of award determination.

(D) If an eligible student who is awarded a scholarship subsequently declines the scholarship, the applicant will notify the department of the intention to relinquish the scholarship. The department will establish dates by when such notifications will be made.

(E) Any eligible student who has not been awarded a scholarship will be placed on a waiting list maintained by the department according to the order of the lottery. Scholarships will be awarded to eligible students on the waiting list as they are relinquished by other applicants in a manner to be specified by the department, until a deadline as established by the department is reached.