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STATE OF WISCONSIN)
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION)

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Revisor of Statutes A

I, State Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction and custodian of the official records of said department, do hereby certify that the annexed rule relating to the academic excellence higher education scholarships for those pupils who attend public and private high schools with enrollments of less than 80, was duly approved and adopted by this Department on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register.

I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this Department and the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department at General Executive Facility (GEF) 3, 125 South Webster Street, P.O. Box 7841, in the city of Madison, this 24th day of August, 1990.

State Superintendent

State Department of Public Instruction

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ORDER OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION CREATING RULES

The state superintendent of public instruction hereby creates ch. PI 33, relating to the academic excellence higher education scholarships for those pupils who attend public and private high schools with enrollments of less than 80.

ANALYSIS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Statutory authority: ss. 39.41(1m)(c) and 227.11(2)(a), Stats.

Statute interpreted: s. 39.41, Stats.

1989 Wisconsin Act 31 created s. 39.41, Stats., which establishes a program to award scholarships to the 12th grade pupil in each high school who has the highest grade point average in all subjects. Section 39.41 (1m) (c), Stats., specifies that no more than 10 scholarships may be awarded annually to pupils enrolled in high schools with enrollments of less than 80 and the state superintendent shall select the 10 eligible to receive scholarships.

These proposed rules specify criteria used to select scholarship recipients and establishes a screening committee to read and rate the applications and make recommendations to the state superintendent.

The rules were promulgated as emergency rules effective January 23, 1990.

1 SECTION 1. Chapter PI 33 is created to read:

CHAPTER PI 33

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2 PI 33.01 DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:
- 3 (1) "High school" means a public or private school which operates a high school
- 4 and grants a diploma upon successful completion.
- 5 (2) "Private school" has the meaning described in s.118.165, Stats.
- 6 (3) "State superintendent" means the state superintendent of public instruction
- 7 for the state of Wisconsin.

1 PI 33.02 ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS. (1) 2 Section 39.41, Stats., establishes a program to award scholarships to the 12th grade 3 pupil in each high school who has the highest grade point average in all subjects. No 4 more than 10 scholarships may be awarded annually, under s. 39.41 (1m) (c), Stats., to 5 pupils enrolled in high schools with enrollments of less than 80. If more than 10 pupils 6 from these high schools are eligible for scholarships in any year, the state superinten-7 dent shall select the 10 pupils eligible to receive scholarships. 8 (2) Annually, by December 1, the department of public instruction shall determine 9 the number of high schools with enrollments of less than 80 based on the school's 10 membership reports under s. 121.05, Stats., containing the average pupil count on the 11 third Friday of September for the current school year. If more than 10 of these high 12 schools exist, the following criteria shall be used to determine which pupils will be 13 selected for the scholarship award: 14 (a) By February 15 of each year, each high school shall provide to the state 15 superintendent the name of the 12th grade pupil who has the highest grade point 16 average in all subjects taken for credit, based on 7 semesters of the pupil's grade 9 17 through 12 experience. The grade point shall be based on a 4.0 grade point scale; with 18 the grade of "A" equaling 4.0. Weighted grades may not be used in computing this 19 average. In the event that two or more pupils from the same high school have the 20 same grade point average, the school board shall select the pupil eligible for the 21 scholarship. 22 (b) The high school shall also provide the following:

2. The pupil's most recent score earned on the American college test, scholastic

aptitude test, or other test which is required by the Wisconsin institution in which the

1. A copy of the pupil's high school transcript.

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pupil intends to enroll.

- 3. A letter from the high school outlining the pupil's participation in school
- 2 activities.
- 3 4. A letter from the pupil indicating both of the following:
- 4 a. Reasons that the pupil feels qualified for this scholarship.
- 5 b. An intent to attend, within one year of graduation from high school, a public
- 6 or private center or institution of higher education within the state of Wisconsin or a
- 7 vocational, technical or adult education district school that is participating in the
- 8 program under s. 39.41, Stats.
- 9 (3) (a) If there are more than 10 eligible applicants who have indicated to the
- state superintendent in writing of their intent to enroll on a full-time basis in an
- institution of higher education under sub. (2) (b) 4 b, the state superintendent shall
- 12 appoint a screening committee of not fewer than 5 persons, including at least one
- 13 representative of a private high school, to read and rate the applications and make
- 14 recommendations to the state superintendent.
- 15 (b) The screening committee shall individually read and rate the applications
- 16 based on the following:
- 17 1. The pupil's grade point average as described under sub. (2) (a).
- 18 2. The pupil's most recent score earned on a college entrance test as described
- 19 under sub. (2) (b) 2.
- 20 (c) In the event of a tie, the screening committee shall review and evaluate the
- 21 pupil's participation in school activities.
- 22 (d) If a tie remains, the committee shall read and evaluate the pupil's letter of
- qualification under sub. (2) (b) 4 a.
- 24 (e) The state superintendent shall review the recommendations of the screening
- committee, choose 10 scholarship recipients and forward the names to the higher
- 26 educational aids board by April 1.

The rules contained in this order shall take effect upon publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register, as provided in s. 227.22 (2) (intro.), Stats.

Herbert J. Grover State Superintendent