

# Iowa College Student Aid Commission Meeting

June 13, 2025

Iowa Department of Education State Board Room  
400 E. 14th Street, 2nd Floor  
Des Moines, IA 50319

# Meeting Book - Iowa College Student Aid Commission Meeting

June 13, 2025 Agenda

Agenda Item	Action	Lead
1. Director's Update	NO	Director Snow
2. Bureau Chief's Report	NO	Bureau Chief Ford
3. Meeting Minutes (March)	YES	Commissioner Stork
4. Administrative Rules a. Notice: Ch. 15, 18, 20, 28, 29, 30, 37	YES	Section Chief Brown
5. FY 2026 Board Meeting Dates	YES	Commissioner Stork
6. Midwestern Higher Education Compact Appointment	YES	Commissioner Stork
7. Staff Reports a. Scholarships & Grants Postsecondary Authorization b. Community Engagement c. Financial Report	NO NO NO	Section Chief Brown Section Chief Sibaouih Bureau Chief Ford
8. Committee Reports a. Executive Committee Report i. Bylaws approval b. Audit & Finance Committee Report c. Legislative Committee Report	YES NO NO	Commissioner Stork Commissioner Fitzgibbon Commissioner Mulholland
9. Commissioner Comments	NO	Commissioner Stork
10. Adjournment	NO	Commissioner Stork

Next Meeting: TBD

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## Director's Update

Iowa Department of Education Director, Commissioner Snow, will provide department updates.

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## Executive Director and Bureau Chief's Update

### Scholarships and grants

- Three health care loan repayment and incentive programs that the Bureau of Iowa College Aid administers for healthcare professionals recently closed.
  - The Health Care Award Programs received 118 applications.
  - The Mental Health Professional Loan Repayment Program had 61 applicants.
  - The Health Professional Recruitment Program received 63 applications. Twenty awards were issued that will disburse nearly \$700,000 to those practicing in high-need areas in Iowa
- The 2024-25 deadline to apply for the Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship has been extended to June 30. Students that intend to enroll for summer courses will need to have completed the 2024-25 FAFSA before that date.

### Course to College Corps - AmeriCorps

- The onboarding process for AmeriCorps members for next year is nearing completion. Staff is meeting with all AmeriCorps members in person to aid in completing their paperwork and orientation with award letters anticipated to go out in June.

### Course to College

- Course to College staff recently presented Ottumwa High School with its ACAC School of Excellence award. Ottumwa High School is one of just 26 outstanding schools recognized nationally as a School of Excellence for efforts to increase the number of first-generation college students and students from low-income backgrounds pursuing a college degree or other higher education credential. The School of Excellence recipients are selected based on timely data submission, demonstrating commitment to student success and a promise to serve as an exemplary model for their state's application campaign.

### GEAR UP Iowa

- GEAR UP Iowa students have continued their college and career explorations with recent visits to Iowa State, UNI, EICC, DMACC, Simpson College, Mercy College and MCC. Many GEAR UP Iowa districts have also recently participated in the Build My Future event as well as various career fairs.
- University of Iowa is offering GEAR UP Iowa Future Ready incoming students a summer bridge program that provides the opportunity to earn scholarship funds.

### FAFSA

- As of June 4, 49 percent of the class of 2025 has completed the FAFSA. Keota High School currently boasts the highest completion rate in the state at 88 percent as one of ten schools in the state with FAFSA completion rates of 80 percent or better. Additionally, 109 schools have completion rates greater than 60 percent.
- Christina Sibaoui and Liz Yaddof recently joined colleagues from Nebraska and the Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC) to present on FAFSA completion efforts detailing Iowa's automated data-sharing system, which pushes weekly student-level FAFSA Completion data to all public and participating private high schools each week.

### Staff Updates

- We're excited to welcome new staff to the Division and Bureau.
  - Kayli Sampson joined the Division of Higher Education staff as Administrative Consultant, Policy and Finance, which includes supporting the Bureaus of Iowa College Aid, Community Colleges,

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## Executive Director and Bureau Chief's Update

and Career and Technical Education/Postsecondary Readiness. She previously worked in the financial aid offices at Iowa State and Drake.

- Two GEAR UP Iowa Facilitators are joining the team in the next two months. Isaac Newsome recently joined us from his role as Director of Student Life at Drake University. Amy Smith will join us on June 30, and was most recently a school counselor at Saydel Middle School, where she also supported their GEAR UP Iowa efforts. We're excited to welcome them and have a full GEAR UP Iowa facilitator team.

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## Meeting Minutes

Recommended Action: Approve the meeting minutes from the March 7, 2025 Commission Meeting.

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## Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2025

### **Call to Order**

The Iowa College Aid Commission met March 7, 2025, at the Iowa Department of Education offices in the Grimes State Office Building. Vice Chair Doug Shull called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with roll call. There was a quorum with five voting members present.

### **Members Present**

Doug Shull	Tim Fitzgibbon	Taylor Collins
Katie Mulholland	Barbara Sloniker	McKenzie Snow
Herman Quirnbach	Mark Putnam	Jeff Taylor

### **Members Absent**

Emily Stork	David Barker	Terry Murrell
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### **Staff Present**

David Ford	Todd Brown	Christina Sibaouih
Lisa Pundt	Liz Yaddof	Karey Hawkins
Danielle Sampson	Ty Patton	Megan Sibbel
Keyli Kiefer	Tristan Lynn	Karmon Long
Amber Miller	Nathan Svare	Anne Thomas
Julie Voss		

Vice Chair Doug Shull presented the minutes from the January 10, 2025 board meeting.

Motion: Commissioner Sloniker moved to approve the meeting minutes.

Motion: Commissioner Fitzgibbon seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

### **Director's Updates**

Director McKenzie Snow provided the Director's Updates.

### **Executive Director and Bureau Chief's Report**

Executive Director and Bureau Chief David Ford provided the Bureau Chief's Report.

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## Meeting Minutes

### **Staff Reports**

Section Chief Todd Brown provided an update related to the following:

- Scholarships & Grants
- Scholarship/Grant Monitoring, Risk Assessment, and Compliance Review Process
- Postsecondary Authorization

Section Chief Christina Sibaouih provided updates related to Community Engagement.

Executive Director and Bureau Chief David Ford presented the Financial Report.

### **Committee Reports**

Executive Committee: Vice Chair Shull presented a draft and first reading of the bylaws.

Audit and Finance Committee: Commissioner Fitzgibbon provided updates related to the Audit and Finance Committee.

Legislative Committee: Commissioner Mulholland provided updates related to the Legislative Committee.

### **Commissioner Comments and Adjournment**

Commissioners shared and discussed comments.

Vice Chair Doug Shull shared that the next board meeting will be May 9, 2025 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Iowa Department of Education, 400 E. 14th Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

Vice Chair Doug Shull adjourned the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

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Emily Stork, Chair

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Doug Shull, Vice Chair



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## Administrative Rules for Notice

### Recommended Action:

- Rescind Chapter 20, “Iowa National Guard Service Scholarship Program,” and Chapter 29, “Iowa National Guard Master’s Degree Scholarship Program,” and adopt new Chapter 20, “Iowa National Guard Service Benefits Programs,” in lieu thereof.
- Rescind Chapter 30, “Iowa National Guard Student Loan Repayment Program”
- Rescind Chapter 15, “Future Ready Iowa Skilled Workforce Last-Dollar Scholarship Program,” and adopt new Chapter 15 with the same title in lieu thereof.
- Rescind Chapter 18, “Iowa Work-Study Program,” and adopt new Chapter 18 with the same title in lieu thereof.
- Rescind Chapter 28, “Teach Iowa Scholar Program,” and adopt new Chapter 28 with the same title in lieu thereof.
- Rescind Chapter 37, “Student Loan Debt Collection,” and adopt new Chapter 37, “Debt Collection,” in lieu thereof.

**COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION[283]****Notice of Intended Action****Proposing rulemaking related to Iowa national guard service benefits programs and providing an opportunity for public comment**

The College Student Aid Commission hereby proposes to rescind Chapter 20, “Iowa National Guard Service Scholarship Program,” Iowa Administrative Code, and Chapter 29, “Iowa National Guard Master’s Degree Scholarship Program,” Iowa Administrative Code, and to adopt a new Chapter 20, “Iowa National Guard Service Benefits Programs.”

*Legal Authority for Rulemaking*

This rulemaking is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code sections 256.178 and 256.210.

*State or Federal Law Implemented*

This rulemaking implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code sections 256.210 and 256.211.

*Purpose and Summary*

The Commission proposes to rescind Chapters 20 and 29 and to adopt a new Chapter 20 pursuant to Executive Order 10. New Chapter 20 is proposed to consolidate the provisions from the two existing chapters. New Chapter 20 ensures the Commission meets the requirements set forth in law by adopting rules for the administration of the scholarships for members of the Iowa National Guard. This proposed rulemaking establishes the eligibility criteria and awarding of funds for the scholarship and describes the process, procedures, and duties of the Commission; the Iowa National Guard; applicants; and institutions.

The Administrative Rules Coordinator provided preclearance for the publication of this Notice of Intended Action on April 8, 2025.

### *Regulatory Analysis*

A Regulatory Analysis for this rulemaking was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on February 19, 2025. A public hearing was held on the following date(s):

- March 26, 2025

No public comments on the Regulatory Analysis were received at the public hearing or in writing.

### *Fiscal Impact*

This rulemaking has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

### *Jobs Impact*

After analysis and review of this rulemaking, no impact on jobs has been found.

### *Waivers*

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rulemaking would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Commission for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 283—Chapter 7.

### *Public Comment*

Any interested person may submit written or oral comments concerning this proposed rulemaking, which must be received by the Commission no later than 4:30 p.m. on July 29, 2025. Comments should be directed to:

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### *Public Hearing*

Public hearings at which persons may present their views orally or in writing will be held as follows:

July 29, 2025

Room B50

4 to 4:30 p.m.

Grimes State Office Building

Des Moines, Iowa

July 30, 2025

Room B50

9 to 9:30 a.m.

Grimes State Office Building

Des Moines, Iowa

Persons who wish to make oral comments at a public hearing may be asked to state their names for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of this proposed rulemaking.

Any persons who intend to attend a public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Commission and advise of specific needs.

### *Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee*

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rulemaking by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written

request by any individual or group, review this rulemaking at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee’s meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rulemaking action is proposed:

ITEM 1. Rescind 283—Chapter 20 and adopt the following **new** chapter in lieu thereof:

## CHAPTER 20

### IOWA NATIONAL GUARD BENEFITS PROGRAMS

**283—20.1(256) Definitions.** As used in this chapter:

*“Eligible institution”* means the same as described in Iowa Code section 256.210(1).

*“Eligible master’s degree program of study”* means a master’s degree program in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics-related military occupational specialties or air force specialty codes pursuant to Iowa Code section 256.211(1) “a. ”

*“Federal active duty”* means military duty performed pursuant to orders issued under Title 10, United States Code (as of July 1, 2024), other than for training.

*“Full-time”* means the same as defined in 283—10.2(256).

*“Part-time”* means the same as defined in 283—10.2(256).

*“Program of study”* means the same as defined in 283—10.2(256).

*“Satisfactory academic progress”* means the same as defined in 283—10.2(256).

**283—20.2(256) Iowa national guard service scholarship.**

**20.2(1) Eligible applicant.** An eligible applicant is an Iowa resident, as determined by the adjutant general, who enrolls full-time or part-time in a program of study at an eligible institution and who meets the award eligibility criteria approved by the adjutant general and the following provisions:

a. Completes the applications the Iowa national guard deems necessary on or before the date established by the Iowa national guard, except that an individual who was on federal

active duty at the time of an application deadline will have 30 days to apply upon return to Iowa from active duty.

b. Meets the eligibility criteria in Iowa Code section 256.210, meets satisfactory academic progress standards, and does not meet a condition in 283—subrule 10.3(1).

**20.2(2)** *Awarding of funds.*

a. *Selection criteria.* All eligible applicants will be considered for an award.

b. *Maximum award and extent of award.* Eligible applicants may receive awards for no more than 120 semester credit hours attributable to the program of study unless the applicants meet the provisions of Iowa Code section 256.210(3) “a”(2).

(1) The maximum award for full-time students will not exceed the undergraduate Iowa resident tuition rate at Iowa regent universities or the tuition charged to the eligible applicant, whichever is lower.

(2) All credit hours within a term of enrollment to which a scholarship is applied will be reported to the commission within the state-defined payment period.

c. *Awarding process.*

(1) The Iowa national guard will verify the eligibility of eligible applicants. An eligibility decision by the adjutant general is final.

(2) The commission will designate eligible applicants for awards and provide eligible institutions with rosters of designated eligible applicants.

(3) The commission will notify recipients and eligible institutions of the awards. Eligible institutions will notify the student of the award amount, the state program from which funding is being provided and stating that the award is contingent on the availability of state funds.

(4) Eligible institutions will apply awards to cover expenses identified in Iowa Code section 256.210(5).

(5) Eligible institutions will provide information about eligible applicants to the commission in a format specified by the commission. Eligible institutions will make necessary changes to awards due to a change in enrollment or financial situation, and promptly report those changes to the commission.

(6) Eligible institutions are responsible for completing necessary verification and for coordinating other aid to ensure compliance with student eligibility requirements and allowable award amounts. Eligible institutions will report changes in student eligibility to the commission.

(7) The commission will periodically investigate and review compliance of eligible institutions participating in this program with the criteria established in Iowa Code section 256.210 and this rule.

**283—20.3(256) Iowa national guard master’s degree service scholarship.** In the event that the adjutant general authorizes the expenditure of unencumbered or unobligated funds from Iowa Code section 256.210(6) for the recruitment or retention of individuals by providing a scholarship award to an eligible member of the Iowa national guard, this chapter will be used to administer authorized scholarships. The adjutant general will select program recipients and authorize scholarship awards under this chapter. The decision of the adjutant general is final.

**20.3(1) *Eligible applicant.*** An eligible applicant is an Iowa resident, as determined by the adjutant general, who enrolls in an eligible master’s degree program of study at an eligible institution and who meets the award eligibility criteria approved by the adjutant general and the following provisions:

*a.* Completes the applications the Iowa national guard deems necessary on or before the date established by the Iowa national guard, except that an individual who was on federal active duty at the time of an application deadline will have 30 days to apply upon return to Iowa from active duty.

b. Meets the eligibility criteria in Iowa Code section 256.211(1) “a” and 256.211(3), meets satisfactory academic progress standards, and does not meet a condition in 283—subrule 10.3(1).

**20.3(2)** *Awarding of funds.*

a. *Selection criteria.* All eligible applicants will be considered for an award.

b. *Maximum award and extent of award.* Eligible applicants may receive awards for no more than 36 semester credit hours, or the equivalent, attributable to the eligible program of study.

(1) The maximum award will not exceed the Iowa resident graduate-level tuition rate at Iowa regent universities or the tuition charged to the eligible applicant, whichever is lower.

(2) All credit hours within a term of enrollment to which a scholarship is applied will be reported to the commission within the state-defined payment period.

c. *Awarding process.* The college student aid commission adopts the awarding process in paragraph 20.2(2) “c” with the following exception: In lieu of “Iowa Code section 256.210” in subparagraph 20.2(2) “c”(7), insert “Iowa Code section 256.211”.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 256.

ITEM 2. Rescind and reserve **283—Chapter 29**.



## **COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION[283]**

### **Notice of Intended Action**

#### **Proposing rulemaking related to Iowa national guard student loan repayment program and providing an opportunity for public comment**

The College Student Aid Commission hereby proposes to rescind Chapter 30, “Iowa National Guard Student Loan Repayment Program,” Iowa Administrative Code, and to adopt a new chapter with the same title.

#### *Legal Authority for Rulemaking*

This rulemaking is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code sections 256.178 and 256.211.

#### *State or Federal Law Implemented*

This rulemaking implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 256.211

#### *Purpose and Summary*

The Commission plans to rescind Chapter 30 pursuant to Executive Order 10. Iowa Code section 256.211 allows unencumbered funds under Iowa Code section 256.210 to be utilized for an Iowa National Guard Student Loan Repayment Program. No unencumbered funds under Iowa Code section 256.210 have been authorized for disbursement under the program, so rules for the program are unnecessary.

The Administrative Rules Coordinator provided preclearance for the publication of this Notice of Intended Action on March 14, 2025.

#### *Regulatory Analysis*

A Regulatory Analysis for this rulemaking was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on February 19, 2025. A public hearing was held on the following date(s):

- March 11, 2025

No public comments on the Regulatory Analysis were received at the public hearing or in writing.

#### *Fiscal Impact*

This rulemaking has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

#### *Jobs Impact*

After analysis and review of this rulemaking, no impact on jobs has been found.

#### *Waivers*

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rulemaking would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Commission for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 283—Chapter 7.

#### *Public Comment*

Any interested person may submit written or oral comments concerning this proposed rulemaking, which must be received by the Commission no later than 4:30 p.m. on July 29, 2025. Comments should be directed to:

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#### *Public Hearing*

Public hearings at which persons may present their views orally or in writing will be held as follows:

July 29, 2025	Room B50
4 to 4:30 p.m.	Grimes State Office Building
	Des Moines, Iowa
July 30, 2025	Room B50
9 to 9:30 a.m.	Grimes State Office Building
	Des Moines, Iowa

Persons who wish to make oral comments at a public hearing may be asked to state their names for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of this proposed rulemaking.

Any persons who intend to attend a public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Commission and advise of specific needs.

#### *Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee*

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The following rulemaking action is proposed:

ITEM 1. Rescind and reserve **283—Chapter 30**.

**COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION[283]****Notice of Intended Action****Proposing rulemaking related to future ready Iowa skilled workforce last-dollar scholarship program and providing an opportunity for public comment**

The College Student Aid Commission hereby proposes to rescind Chapter 15, “Future Ready Iowa Skilled Workforce Last-Dollar Scholarship Program,” Iowa Administrative Code, and to adopt a new chapter with the same title.

*Legal Authority for Rulemaking*

This rulemaking is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code sections 256.178 and 256.228.

*State or Federal Law Implemented*

This rulemaking implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 256.228.

*Purpose and Summary*

The Commission proposes to rescind and adopt a new Chapter 15 pursuant to Executive Order 10. The new Chapter 15 is proposed to ensure the Commission meets the requirements set forth in law by adopting rules for the administration of the Future Ready Iowa Skilled Workforce Last-Dollar Scholarship Program. The proposed rulemaking establishes the eligibility criteria and awarding of funds for the scholarship; describes the process, procedures, and duties of the Commission, applicants, and institutions; illustrates the priority criteria for awarding scholarships; and provides the process used to align high-demand jobs to programs of study offered at participating institutions.

The Administrative Rules Coordinator provided preclearance for the publication of this Notice of Intended Action on April 11, 2025.

### *Regulatory Analysis*

A Regulatory Analysis for this rulemaking was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on March 19, 2025. A public hearing was held on the following date(s):

- April 8, 2025

No public comments on the Regulatory Analysis were received at the public hearing or in writing.

### *Fiscal Impact*

This rulemaking has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

### *Jobs Impact*

After analysis and review of this rulemaking, no impact on jobs has been found.

### *Waivers*

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rulemaking would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Commission for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 283—Chapter 7.

### *Public Comment*

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request by any individual or group, review this rulemaking at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee’s meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rulemaking action is proposed:

ITEM 1. Rescind 283—Chapter 15 and adopt the following **new** chapter in lieu thereof:

## CHAPTER 15

### FUTURE READY IOWA SKILLED WORKFORCE

#### LAST-DOLLAR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**283—15.1(256) Basis for aid.** Assistance under the future ready Iowa skilled workforce last-dollar scholarship program is available for Iowa residents enrolled in approved programs aligned with high-demand jobs.

**283—15.2(256) Definitions.** As used in this chapter:

“*Approved program*” means an eligible program of study approved through the process described in rule 283—15.6(256).

“*Continuous enrollment*” means that an eligible student is enrolled at least part-time in successive fall and spring semesters, or the equivalent, after receiving the award. Enrollment in the summer semester is not required to meet this condition.

“*Credential*” means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 256.228(1) “*d.*”

“*Eligible institution*” means an institution that meets the criteria in Iowa Code section 256.228(1) “*e*” and the provisions of rule 283—15.7(256).

“*Financial metric*” means the same as defined in rule 283—10.2(261).

“*Full-time*” means the same as defined in rule 283—10.2(261).

“*Iowa resident*” means the same as defined in rule 283—10.2(261).

“*Part-time*” means enrollment in at least 6 but fewer than 12 hours per semester or the equivalent. An eligible student may enroll in fewer than six semester hours, or the equivalent,

in the semester that the credential will be completed if part-time enrollment is not necessary to complete the program of study.

*“Satisfactory academic progress”* means the same as defined in rule 283—10.2(261).

*“Semester”* means the fall, spring, or summer term of enrollment at an eligible institution, if the eligible institution is on a semester system, or the equivalent, if the institution is on a system other than a semester system.

**283—15.3(256) Eligible applicant.** An eligible applicant is an Iowa resident who is enrolled at least part-time in an approved program at an eligible institution and who meets the program eligibility criteria and the following provisions:

**15.3(1)** Annually completes the applications that the commission deems necessary on or before the date established by the commission, attends orientation, registers for classes with an academic advisor, and participates in career advising sessions.

**15.3(2)** Has an eligible financial metric in the first year the scholarship is received, meets satisfactory academic progress standards, and does not meet a condition in 283—subrule 10.3(1).

**15.3(3)** Maintains continuous enrollment.

**15.3(4)** Meets one of the following two conditions:

*a.* Is under age 20 as of July 1 prior to the year of enrollment and enrolls at least part-time following graduation from an Iowa high school, completion of private instruction under Iowa Code chapter 299A, or receipt of a high school equivalency diploma under Iowa Code chapter 259A.

*b.* Following receipt of a high school diploma or high school equivalency diploma, enrolls at least part-time in an approved program at an eligible institution after attaining the age of 20 as of July 1 prior to the year of enrollment. To receive an award under this condition, the eligible applicant cannot have received an award under paragraph 15.3(4) “a.”



**283—15.4(256) Awarding of funds.**

**15.4(1)** *Selection criteria.* All eligible applicants will be considered for an award.

**15.4(2)** *Extent of award and maximum award.* Eligible applicants may receive no more than the equivalent of eight part-time awards. The maximum award will be calculated as follows:

*a.* Awards for eligible students attending Iowa community colleges shall not exceed the remaining tuition and mandatory institutionwide fees after applying federal and state nonrepayable aid.

*b.* Awards for eligible students attending an accredited private institution, as defined in Iowa Code section 256.183, shall not exceed the average tuition and mandatory institutionwide fees at Iowa community colleges after applying federal and state nonrepayable aid. The average resident tuition and mandatory institutionwide fees will be used under this provision.

*c.* Awards for eligible students enrolled on a full-time basis shall be at least \$250 per semester or the equivalent amount if the eligible institution operates on a system other than the semester system. Awards for eligible students enrolled on a part-time basis will be prorated by dividing the number of hours for which the student is enrolled by the required number of hours for full-time enrollment and multiplying the quotient by the maximum award.

*d.* Tuition and institutionwide mandatory fees associated only with coursework required for the student's Title IV-eligible program of study can be used to determine the award amount.

**15.4(3)** *Priority for awards.*

*a.* In the event that the funds available are insufficient to provide maximum awards to all eligible applicants through the entire state fiscal year, awards will first be authorized to

eligible applicants enrolled in the fall and spring semester or the equivalent and then to eligible applicants enrolled in the summer semester or the equivalent.

*b.* In the event that funds available are insufficient to provide the maximum award to all eligible applicants in a semester, the commission may prorate awards to students in that semester.

**15.4(4)** *Awarding process.*

*a.* The commission will provide notice of the eligibility criteria and maximum award to participating eligible institutions annually to authorize awarding.

*b.* The commission will designate eligible applicants for awards and provide eligible institutions with rosters of designated eligible applicants.

*c.* Eligible institutions will notify recipients of the awards, clearly indicating the award amount and the state program from which funding is being provided and stating that the award is contingent on the availability of state funds.

*d.* Eligible institutions will apply awards directly to student accounts.

*e.* Eligible institutions will provide information about eligible applicants to the commission in a format specified by the commission. Eligible institutions will make necessary changes to awards due to a change in enrollment, program of study, and financial situation and promptly report those changes to the commission.

*f.* Eligible institutions are responsible for completing necessary verification and for coordinating other aid to ensure compliance with student eligibility requirements and allowable award amounts. Eligible institutions will report changes in student eligibility to the commission.

*g.* The commission will periodically investigate and review compliance of eligible institutions participating in this program with the criteria established in Iowa Code section 256.228 and this rule.

**283—15.5(256) Exceptions.** If an eligible applicant discontinues enrollment at the eligible institution due to military deployment, due to a temporary medical incapacity, in relation to a declaration of a national or state emergency, or due to other exceptional circumstances approved by the commission, the eligible applicant may apply for a waiver. If the waiver is approved, the eligible applicant is not required to maintain continuous enrollment during the period covered by the waiver.

**283—15.6(256) Determination of programs of study aligned with high-demand jobs.**

**15.6(1) *Statewide high-demand jobs.*** The commission will utilize the department of workforce development's most recent list of statewide high-demand jobs pursuant to Iowa Code section 84A.1B(14) and align those jobs to eligible programs of study.

**15.6(2) *Regional high-demand jobs.*** The commission will request submissions of regional high-demand jobs that align with eligible programs of study from each Iowa community college. Each Iowa community college may request up to five regional high-demand jobs to be considered for approval for students at that Iowa community college.

**15.6(3) *Eligible programs of study.*** The eligible institution will offer a career and technical education program of study that results in a credential that is aligned with employment in a high-demand job. The eligible program of study will meet similar criteria established for career and technical education programs approved under 281—Chapter 21. The classification of the instructional program code and the standard occupation code will be used to align eligible programs of study to high-demand jobs.

**15.6(4) *Approved program.*** Before an eligible program of study is considered an approved program of study, the department of workforce development and the commission, in consultation with the department of education, will jointly certify that the program of study and credential are aligned with a high-demand job pursuant to Iowa Code section 84A.1B(14).

**15.6(5)** *Grandfather clause.* If the state workforce development board or a community college district removes a high-demand job from the approved list, an eligible applicant who received an award in a program of study aligned with that high-demand job will continue to receive the award as long as the eligible applicant continues to meet all other eligibility criteria.

**283—15.7(256) Institution eligibility requirements.**

**15.7(1)** *Application process.* An institution requesting to participate in the program may apply to the commission using the commission's designated application. An applicant institution will provide the commission with documentation establishing its eligibility as an eligible institution that offers eligible programs of study. Applicant institutions will submit the application and documentation establishing their eligibility on or before October 1 of the year prior to the beginning of the academic year for which they are applying for participation.

**15.7(2)** *Public information.* A list of all eligible programs of study, as well as the necessary courses and the suggested course sequence, will be available in a prominent location on the eligible institution's website.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 256.228.

## **COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION[283]**

### **Notice of Intended Action**

#### **Proposing rulemaking related to Iowa work-study program and providing an opportunity for public comment**

The College Student Aid Commission hereby proposes to rescind Chapter 18, “Iowa Work-Study Program,” Iowa Administrative Code, and to adopt a new chapter with the same title.

#### *Legal Authority for Rulemaking*

This rulemaking is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code sections 256.178 and 256.206.

#### *State or Federal Law Implemented*

This rulemaking implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code sections 256.206 through 256-209.

#### *Purpose and Summary*

The Commission proposes to rescind and adopt a new Chapter 18 pursuant to Executive Order 10. New Chapter 18 is proposed to ensure that the Commission meets the requirements set forth in law by adopting rules for the administration of the Iowa work-study program. The proposed rulemaking establishes the eligibility criteria and procedures for the awarding of funds and describes the process, procedures, and duties of the Commission, applicants, and institutions. The proposed rulemaking includes standards adopted by reference that align to 34 CFR Part 675 to ensure consistency and efficiency in administrative practices between federal and state work-study programs.

The Administrative Rules Coordinator provided preclearance for the publication of this Notice of Intended Action on April 11, 2025.

### *Regulatory Analysis*

A Regulatory Analysis for this rulemaking was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on March 19, 2025. A public hearing was held on the following date(s):

- April 8, 2025

No public comments on the Regulatory Analysis were received at the public hearing or in writing.

### *Fiscal Impact*

This rulemaking has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

### *Jobs Impact*

After analysis and review of this rulemaking, no impact on jobs has been found.

### *Waivers*

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rulemaking would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Commission for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 283—Chapter 7.

### *Public Comment*

Any interested person may submit written or oral comments concerning this proposed rulemaking, which must be received by the Commission no later than 4:30 p.m. on July 29, 2025. Comments should be directed to:

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400 East 14th Street

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### *Public Hearing*

Public hearings at which persons may present their views orally or in writing will be held as follows:

July 29, 2025

Room B50

4 to 4:30 p.m.

Grimes State Office Building

Des Moines, Iowa

July 30, 2025

Room B50

9 to 9:30 a.m.

Grimes State Office Building

Des Moines, Iowa

Persons who wish to make oral comments at a public hearing may be asked to state their names for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of this proposed rulemaking.

Any persons who intend to attend a public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Commission and advise of specific needs.

### *Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee*

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rulemaking by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written

request by any individual or group, review this rulemaking at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rulemaking action is proposed:

ITEM 1. Rescind 283—Chapter 18 and adopt the following **new** chapter in lieu thereof:

## CHAPTER 18

### IOWA WORK-STUDY PROGRAM

**283—18.1(256) Basis of aid.** Assistance available under the Iowa work-study program is based on the financial need of Iowa residents enrolled at eligible postsecondary education institutions.

**283—18.2(256) Definitions.**

*“Eligible postsecondary education institution”* means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 256.207 and described in rule 283—18.6(256).

*“Financial metric”* means the same as defined in 283—Chapter 10.

*“Financial need”* means the same as defined in 283—Chapter 10.

*“Full-time”* means the same as defined in 283—Chapter 10.

*“Iowa resident”* means the same as defined in 283—Chapter 10.

*“Part-time”* means enrollment in at least 6 but fewer than 12 hours per semester or the equivalent.

*“Program of study”* means the same as defined in 283—Chapter 10.

*“Satisfactory academic progress”* means the same as defined in 283—Chapter 10.

**283—18.3(256) Administrative procedures.**

**18.3(1)** *Alignment with federal work-study regulations.* To facilitate efficient administration, the commission hereby adopts the federal work-study regulations found at 34



CFR Part 675, Subpart A, as of July 1, 2024. Provisions of the federal regulations adopted include:

- a.* Selection of students for employment (34 CFR §675.10),
- b.* Payments to students (34 CFR §675.16),
- c.* Fiscal procedures and records (34 CFR §675.19),
- d.* General employment conditions for institutional employment, including civil rights requirements, state worker compensation laws, and social security requirements (34 CFR §675.20(c) and (d)),
- e.* Institutional employment (34 CFR §675.21), and
- f.* Wage administration (34 CFR §675.24).

**18.3(2)** *No transfer of funds.* An eligible postsecondary education institution must administer state-funded work-study funds for Iowa residents in the same manner as the institution administers its federal work-study program, except that state funds cannot be transferred to other student aid programs or across state fiscal years.

**18.3(3)** *Employment restrictions.* The creation of work-study opportunities will not result in the displacement of employed workers or impair or affect existing contracts for services, and the funding used by an eligible postsecondary education institution will supplement and not supplant jobs and existing financial aid programs provided to students.

**283—18.4(256) Eligible applicant.** An eligible applicant is an Iowa resident who is enrolled full-time or part-time in a program of study at an eligible postsecondary education institution, is employed at an eligible postsecondary education institution, and meets the program eligibility criteria in Iowa Code section 256.208 and the following provisions:

**18.4(1)** Completes the Free Application for Federal Student Aid and any other application the eligible postsecondary education institution deems necessary on or before the date established by the eligible postsecondary education institution.

**18.4(2)** Establishes financial need, has an eligible financial metric, meets satisfactory academic progress standards, and does not meet a condition in 283—subrule 10.3(1).

**283—18.5(256) Awarding of funds.**

**18.5(1)** *Selection criteria.* Eligible postsecondary education institutions will document the consistent processes by which they select eligible applicants to receive awards.

**18.5(2)** *Maximum award.* The maximum award for full-time students will not exceed the student's financial need.

**18.5(3)** *Awarding process.*

*a.* The commission will provide notice of the eligibility criteria, distribute funding allocations, and request acceptance of the funding allocation from each eligible postsecondary education institution annually. Eligible postsecondary education institutions will accept or decline the funding allocation by the deadline established by the commission.

*b.* Funding allocations that are declined or unspent by the date the commission deems necessary will be reallocated to participating eligible postsecondary education institutions.

*c.* Eligible postsecondary education institutions will notify recipients of the awards, clearly indicating the award amount and the state program from which funding is being provided and stating that the award is contingent on the availability of state funds.

*d.* Eligible postsecondary education institutions will distribute awards as eligible applicants complete their employment obligations.

*e.* Eligible postsecondary education institutions will provide information about the awards earned by eligible applicants to the commission in a format specified by the commission at the end of each semester or the equivalent. If all allocated funds are not spent by an eligible postsecondary education institution by the end of the year, those unspent funds may be deducted from the eligible postsecondary education institution's subsequent allocation.

*f.* Eligible postsecondary education institutions are responsible for completing necessary verification and for coordinating other aid to ensure compliance with student eligibility criteria and allowable award amounts. Eligible postsecondary education institutions will report changes in student eligibility to the commission.

**283—18.6(256) Eligible postsecondary education institution eligibility.**

**18.6(1)** *Application.* A nonparticipating eligible postsecondary education institution will request participation using the commission's designated application. The institution will meet the eligibility criteria in Iowa Code section 256.207 at the time the application is submitted.

**18.6(2)** *Deadline to apply.* Nonparticipating eligible postsecondary education institutions seeking to participate in the Iowa work-study program will submit applications on or before October 1 of the year prior to the beginning of the academic year for which they are applying for participation.

**18.6(3)** *Compliance audits.* The commission will periodically investigate and review compliance of eligible postsecondary education institutions participating in this program with the criteria established in Iowa Code chapter 256 and this rule. If the commission finds that an eligible postsecondary education institution fails to comply with the provisions of Iowa Code sections 256.206 through 256.209 or this rule, participation in the Iowa work-study program may be suspended.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 256.206 through 256.209.

**COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION[283]****Notice of Intended Action****Proposing rulemaking related to teach Iowa scholar program and providing an  
opportunity for public comment**

The College Student Aid Commission hereby proposes to rescind Chapter 28, “Teach Iowa Scholar Program,” Iowa Administrative Code, and to adopt a new chapter with the same title.

*Legal Authority for Rulemaking*

This rulemaking is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code sections 256.178 and 256.218.

*State or Federal Law Implemented*

This rulemaking implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 256.218.

*Purpose and Summary*

The Commission proposes to rescind and adopt a new Chapter 28 pursuant to Executive Order 10. New Chapter 28 is proposed to ensure the Commission meets the requirements set forth in law by adopting rules for the administration of the Teach Iowa Scholar Program. The proposed rulemaking establishes the eligibility criteria and priority criteria used in awarding funds under the program; describes the process of awarding funds and tracking obligations; and illustrates the role of the Commission, applicants, and employers. The rulemaking also provides definitions for use under the program.

The Administrative Rules Coordinator provided preclearance for the publication of this Notice of Intended Action on March 14, 2025.

*Regulatory Analysis*

A Regulatory Analysis for this rulemaking was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on February 19, 2025. A public hearing was held on the following date(s):

- March 11, 2025

No public comments on the Regulatory Analysis were received at the public hearing or in writing.

#### *Fiscal Impact*

This rulemaking has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

#### *Jobs Impact*

After analysis and review of this rulemaking, no impact on jobs has been found.

#### *Waivers*

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rulemaking would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Commission for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 283—Chapter 7.

#### *Public Comment*

Any interested person may submit written or oral comments concerning this proposed rulemaking, which must be received by the Commission no later than 4:30 p.m. on July 29, 2025. Comments should be directed to:

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#### *Public Hearing*

Public hearings at which persons may present their views orally or in writing will be held as follows:

July 29, 2025	Room B50
4 to 4:30 p.m.	Grimes State Office Building
	Des Moines, Iowa
July 30, 2025	Room B50
9 to 9:30 a.m.	Grimes State Office Building
	Des Moines, Iowa

Persons who wish to make oral comments at a public hearing may be asked to state their names for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of this proposed rulemaking.

Any persons who intend to attend a public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Commission and advise of specific needs.

#### *Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee*

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rulemaking by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rulemaking at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rulemaking action is proposed:

ITEM 1. Rescind 283—Chapter 28 and adopt the following **new** chapter in lieu thereof:

#### CHAPTER 28

#### TEACH IOWA SCHOLAR PROGRAM

#### **283—28.1(256) Definitions.**

*“Eligible applicant”* means an individual who meets the criteria in Iowa Code section 256.218(3), agrees to complete the obligation, completes applications on or before the date established by the commission, and does not meet a condition in 283—subrule 10.3(1). The obligation ends after five consecutive years. Progression towards completion of the obligation is verified annually. In addition, the eligible applicant will have graduated in the top 25 percent academically of students completing the teacher preparation program at the institution, as certified by the postsecondary institution offering the teacher preparation program from which the applicant graduates, and must be providing instruction in an eligible teaching field or in a combination of eligible teaching fields at an eligible school or agency and will be teaching on a full-time basis.

*“Eligible school or agency”* means a public school district, area education agency, charter school, and accredited nonpublic school located in Iowa and recognized and approved by the department of education.

*“Eligible student loan”* means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 256.218(4). Only the outstanding portion of a federal consolidation loan that was used to repay an eligible student loan qualifies as an eligible student loan.

*“Eligible teaching field”* means hard-to-staff subjects as identified by the director of the department of education.

*“Preparation program”* means the programs of practitioner preparation leading to initial licensure of teachers, administrators, and other professional school personnel.

*“Teacher”* means an individual who holds a practitioner’s license or a statement of professional recognition issued under Iowa Code chapter 272 and who is employed in a nonadministrative position by an eligible school or agency pursuant to a contract issued by a board of directors under Iowa Code section 279.13. “Teacher” also includes a preschool

teacher who is licensed by the board of educational examiners under Iowa Code chapter 272 and is employed by an eligible school or agency.

**283—28.2(256) Awarding of funds.**

**28.2(1)** *Selection criteria.* All eligible applicants will be considered for an award.

**28.2(2)** *Extent of award and maximum award.* Eligible applicants may receive up to \$4,000 per year for a period of five years.

**28.2(3)** *Priority for awards.* New awards will be made in the order of the following priority categories if funding is insufficient to award all eligible applicants. An eligible applicant selected for an award under a priority category will continue to meet the provisions of that category to maintain eligibility.

*a.* Eligible applicants who are Iowa residents.

(1) If all eligible applicants in this category cannot be funded, awards will be made first based on the eligible applicant's graduation date from the teacher preparation program, grouped by academic year, with the most recent academic year graduates given priority.

(2) If all eligible applicants who graduated within an academic year cannot be funded, awards will be further prioritized based on the annual ranking of eligible teaching fields by the department, with eligible applicants teaching in the highest ranking fields being served first. Eligible applicants who meet the same priority criteria in this category will be further prioritized by application date.

*b.* Eligible applicants who are not Iowa residents.

(1) If all eligible applicants in this category cannot be funded, awards will be made first based on the eligible applicant's graduation date from the teacher preparation program, grouped by academic year, with the most recent academic year graduates given priority.

(2) If all eligible applicants who graduated within an academic year cannot be funded, awards will be further prioritized based on the annual ranking of eligible teaching fields by



the department, with eligible applicants teaching in the highest ranking fields being served first. Eligible applicants who meet the same priority criteria in this category will be further prioritized by application date.

**28.2(4)** *Awarding process.*

*a.* The commission will provide notice of the eligibility criteria and the application process annually.

*b.* Eligible applicants will specify if the award should be paid directly to the eligible applicant or to the holder of the eligible applicant's eligible student loan.

*c.* The commission will designate eligible applicants for awards and notify all applicants of their eligibility.

*d.* The commission will track eligible applicants selected to receive awards through completion of their obligation.

*e.* The commission will pay the award directly to the eligible applicant or to the holder of the eligible applicant's eligible student loan after the eligible school or agency verifies that a portion of the obligation has been completed.

**283—28.3(256) Grandfather clause.** The eligibility of eligible applicants who are selected to receive awards will not be impacted in subsequent years if the eligible teaching field under which they were selected to receive the award is no longer identified by the department.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 256.

## COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION[283]

### Notice of Intended Action

#### **Proposing rulemaking related to debt collection and providing an opportunity for public comment**

The College Student Aid Commission hereby proposes to rescind Chapter 37, “Student Loan Debt Collection,” Iowa Administrative Code, and to adopt a new Chapter 37, “Debt Collection.”

#### *Legal Authority for Rulemaking*

This rulemaking is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code sections 256.178 and 256.197(7).

#### *State or Federal Law Implemented*

This rulemaking implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 256.197(7).

#### *Purpose and Summary*

The Commission proposes to rescind and adopt a new Chapter 37 pursuant to Executive Order 10. New Chapter 37 is proposed to ensure the Commission meets the requirements set forth in law by adopting rules to provide for an effective system of collecting defaulted obligation owed to the Commission. The proposed rulemaking illustrates the mechanisms and references the processes the Commission utilizes in the collection of defaulted obligations. The proposed rulemaking includes standards adopted by reference that align to 34 CFR Part 34 to leverage federal administrative wage garnishment procedures.

The Administrative Rules Coordinator provided preclearance for the publication of this Notice of Intended Action on April 11, 2025.

### *Regulatory Analysis*

A Regulatory Analysis for this rulemaking was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on March 19, 2025. A public hearing was held on the following date(s):

- April 8, 2025

No public comments on the Regulatory Analysis were received at the public hearing or in writing.

### *Fiscal Impact*

This rulemaking has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

### *Jobs Impact*

After analysis and review of this rulemaking, no impact on jobs has been found.

### *Waivers*

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rulemaking would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Commission for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 283—Chapter 7.

### *Public Comment*

Any interested person may submit written or oral comments concerning this proposed rulemaking, which must be received by the Commission no later than 4:30 p.m. on July 29, 2025. Comments should be directed to:

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### *Public Hearing*

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### *Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee*

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rulemaking by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written

request by any individual or group, review this rulemaking at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rulemaking action is proposed:

ITEM 1. Rescind 283—Chapter 37 and adopt the following **new** chapter in lieu thereof:

## CHAPTER 37

### DEBT COLLECTION

#### **283—37.1(256) Definitions.**

*“Debtor”* means a person who has defaulted on any obligation owed to or collected by the commission.

*“Default”* means that a debtor:

1. Becomes obligated to repay the commission under any loan repayment program administered by the commission and fails to make an agreed payment within 30 days of the agreed due date;
2. Becomes obligated to repay the commission under any forgivable loan program administered by the commission and fails to make an agreed payment within 30 days of the agreed due date; or
3. Enters into a written repayment agreement with the commission and fails to make an agreed payment within 30 days of the due date stated in the repayment agreement.

*“Defaulted obligation owed”* means the total amount of the debtor's obligation, including principal and unpaid accrued interest, and may include collection costs and other allowable fees.

**283—37.2(256) Administrative wage garnishment procedures.** The commission shall use the general administrative wage garnishment procedures established in 34 CFR Part 34 et

seq., as of July 1, 2024, in the collection of all defaulted obligations owed to the commission.

Administrative hearings will be governed by 283—Chapter 4.

**283—37.3(261) Offset against state income tax refund or rebate.** The commission may make a claim against a defaulted borrower's state income tax refund or rebate to receive a payment against defaulted obligation owed pursuant to 701—Chapter 26.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section 256.197.

# Iowa College Student Aid Commission Meeting

## FY 2026 Board Meeting Dates

Recommended Action: Approve the proposed FY2026 Board Meeting dates:

- July 25, 2025
- September 5, 2025
- October 31, 2025
- January 9, 2026
- March 6, 2026
- May 8, 2026

# Iowa College Student Aid Commission Meeting

## Midwestern Higher Education Compact Appointment

Recommended Action: Appoint a representative from the Commission to serve as a MHEC delegate pursuant to Iowa Statute Section IC 261D.3.



# Iowa College Student Aid Commission Meeting

## Staff Reports

The following staff will provide reports to the Commission:

### Section Chief Brown

- Scholarships & Grants
- Postsecondary Authorization (Lisa Pundt)

### Section Chief Sibaouih

- Iowa College and Career Readiness Academy
- Local College Access Networks
- Course to College
- Course to College Corps
- GEAR UP Iowa

### Bureau Chief Ford

- Financial Report

**Bureau of Iowa College Aid Board of Commissioners**  
**Postsecondary Authorization**  
**MAY 9, 2025**

The Postsecondary Authorization Staff have the following noncontroversial authorization application updates since the last written report to Commissioners for the meeting on March 7, 2025.

**Applications from Postsecondary Registered Schools (Iowa Code 261B)**

Postsecondary Registration Approvals

- Aspen University (out-of-state mandatory new application)
- Chicago School (The) (out-of-state mandatory renewal application)
- Orion Technical College (in-state mandatory renewal application)
- Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine (out-of-state mandatory renewal application)
- WyoTech (out-of-state mandatory renewal application)

Postsecondary Registration Applications under Review

- Body Wisdom (in-state mandatory renewal application)
- California State University Northridge (out-of-state mandatory renewal application)
- Concordia University (out-of-state mandatory renewal application)
- Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (in-state mandatory renewal application)
- South University (out-of-state mandatory renewal application)
- University of Massachusetts Global (out-of-state mandatory renewal application)
- University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences (out-of-state mandatory renewal application)
- Viterbo University (in-state mandatory renewal application)
- Walden University (out-of-state mandatory renewal application)
- Waldorf University (in-state voluntary renewal application)

Postsecondary Registration Applications Received and Pending Review

NA

*Postsecondary registration evaluation reports for approved schools are available upon request.*

## **Applications from Postsecondary Schools Participating in SARA (Iowa Code 261G)**

### Iowa SARA New Application Approvals

NA

### Iowa SARA Renewal Approvals

Northwest Iowa Community College (renewal application)  
St. Ambrose University (renewal application)  
St. Luke's College (renewal application)  
Wartburg College (renewal application)  
William Penn University (renewal application)

### Iowa SARA Renewal Applications under Review

Eastern Iowa Community College District (renewal application)  
Iowa Central Community College (renewal application)  
Kirkwood Community College (renewal application)  
Southwestern Community College (renewal application)  
University of Dubuque (renewal application)  
Waldorf University (renewal application)

### Iowa SARA Applications Received and Pending Review

NA

## **Applications from Postsecondary Schools Exempt from Registration (Iowa Code 261B.11)**

### Iowa Exempt School Approvals

AM Training Institute (renewal application)  
Capri College (renewal application)  
Foresight IT (NEW SCHOOL application)  
MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center Rad Tech Program (renewal application)

### Iowa Exempt School Applications under Review

AIM Code School – Southwest Iowa Tech Training (NEW SCHOOL application)  
Iowa School of Construction (renewal application)  
Mount Mercy University (NEW application under registration exemption)  
World of Beauty Academy (renewal application)

### Iowa Exempt School Applications Received and Pending Review

Continental Auctioneers School (renewal application)  
La James College of Hairstyling (renewal application)

# Iowa College Student Aid Commission

## Strategic Reserve Fund 0163 Reconciliation

**Beginning Balance as of 07-01-2024** \$22,712,200

### REVENUES:

#### Federal Support:

AmeriCorps	\$273,050.59
GEAR UP 2.0	\$30,442.15
GEAR UP 3.0	\$645,313.39
GEAR UP 3.0 Scholarship	\$3,751,328.00

#### Intra-State Transfers:

SLFRF-ITG	\$2,384,339.00
ICAPS	\$3,135.00
SLFRF-GEAR UP Future Ready	\$718,679.17

Non Gov Support \$0.00

Gov Transfer In Other Agencies \$0.00

Interest \$742,770.49

Fees, Licenses & Permits \$0.00

Other \$43,397.82

**TOTAL REVENUES COLLECTED:** \$8,592,456

### EXPENDITURES:

Salary and Benefits \$1,831,305.35

Travel \$48,249.16

Supplies \$30,685.92

Printing & Binding; Postage \$95,556.60

Communications (ICN, cell phones) \$9,310.17

Rentals \$123,852.30

Prof & Scientific Services \$38,850.00

Outside Services/Sub Grant Pymts \$1,313,707.27

Intra-State Transfers (GU3.0 Scholarship) \$3,831,328.00

Advertising & Publicity \$850.00

Reimb to Other Agencies (Workers Comp) \$7,323.43

ITD Reimbursement (eDAS) \$145,885.88

IT Outside Services (ICAPS) \$99,553.82

Gov Transfer Other Agencies/Indirect Costs \$258,758.15

Equipment- Non Inventory \$179.99

IT Equipment & Software \$21,893.67

State Aid/Transfer to Trust Acct (ITG) \$2,384,339.00

Aid to Individuals (Scholarships) -

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES:** (\$10,241,629)

**Ending Balance as of 4-30-25** \$21,063,027

**Net change to Guaranty Agency Operating Fund** (\$1,649,173)

**Bankers Trust GEAR UP 2.0 Trust Fund Balance on 3-31-25** \$147,691

**Bankers Trust GEAR UP 3.0 Trust Fund Balance on 3-31-25** \$3,751,328

# Iowa College Student Aid Commission Meeting

## Executive Committee

Recommended Action: Approve the updates to the bylaws.

# **IOWA COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION**

## **BYLAWS**

**ADOPTED JULY 21, 2017**

**UPDATED JUNE 13, 2025**

### **PURPOSE**

Iowa Code Chapter 256 provides that the Iowa College Student Aid Commission (hereinafter, "Commission") may determine its own organization and bylaws. The following bylaws are intended to assist the Commission as it carries out its statutory duties as outlined in Iowa Code 256.

### **ARTICLE ONE.**

#### **MEETINGS**

*Section 1. Offices.* The principal office of the Commission shall be located at 400 E. 14th Street, Grimes Building Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa. Unless published otherwise, all meetings will be held at the Grimes Building in the State Board Room.

*Section 2. Regular Meetings.* Regular meetings of the Commission shall be set and approved by the Commission. Unless otherwise required by law or these bylaws, meetings will be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

*Section 3. Special Meetings.* Special meetings of Commissioners may be called by or at the request of the Chair or any three (3) voting Commissioners.

*Section 4. Notice.* Notice of all regular and special meetings shall be given in accordance with Iowa Code Chapter 21.

*Section 5. Quorum.* A quorum shall be established in accordance with Iowa Code Chapter 17A.

*Section 6. Commission Decisions.* When a quorum is present, the act of the majority of Commissioners eligible to vote at a meeting shall be the act of the Commission. In the absence of a quorum, Commission members may meet and hold discussions, but may not take action.

*Section 7. Minutes.* The Commission shall keep minutes of each of its meetings showing the date, time, place, members present, and the action taken at each meeting. The minutes shall show the results of each vote taken. The minutes are kept by the executive director in the commission office.

*Section 8. Presumption of Assent.* A Commissioner who is present at a meeting of the Commission at which action on any matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless his or her dissent or abstention is recorded in the minutes of the meeting or unless he or she files written dissent to such action with the person acting as the secretary of the meeting before the adjournment. Such right to dissent shall not apply to a Commissioner who voted in favor of such action.

## ARTICLE TWO.

### COMMISSIONERS

*Section 1. General Powers.* Commissioners shall provide program administration oversight as defined in Iowa Code Chapter 256, and other business and affairs of the Commission.

*Section 2. Appointment to the Commission.* Commissioners shall be appointed in accordance with Iowa Code Chapter 256.

*Section 3. Compensation.* Commissioners, except those members who are employees of the state, shall be paid a per diem as specified in Iowa Code Chapter 7E and shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses.



## ARTICLE THREE.

### OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

*Section 1. Officers.* The officers of the Commission shall be a Chair and a Vice-Chair, each of whom shall be elected by the Commission. Such other officers as may be deemed necessary may be elected or appointed by Commissioners. The officers of the Commission and the chairs of the standing committees described in Section 6 of this Article shall serve as the Executive Committee.

*Section 2. Election and Term of Office.* The officers of the Commission shall be elected annually at the July meeting of the Commission. If the election of officers is not held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as possible. A public member of the Commission shall be elected to serve as Chair. Each officer shall hold office until his or her successor has been duly elected or until he or she resigns or is removed in the manner hereinafter provided.

*Section 3. Removal.* Any officer elected or appointed by the Commission may be removed by the Commission whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Commission would be served thereby.

*Section 4. Vacancies.* A vacancy in an officer position because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise, may be filled by a voting member of the Commission upon a majority vote of the Commission for the unexpired portion of the term.

*Section 5. Powers and duties.* The powers and duties of the officers shall be as provided in the Commissioner's Handbook or by other directive of the Commission. In the absence of such provisions, the respective officers shall have the powers and shall discharge the duties customarily and usually held

and performed by like officers of similar state bodies or organizations.

*Section 6. Standing Committees.* The Commission may delegate some of its authority to manage, control, and oversee the Commission to standing committees. The standing committees of the Commission shall be, at a minimum, the Executive Committee, Program Oversight Committee, and Administrative Rules and Legislative Action Committee. Members of the committees shall include Commissioners and staff as appointed by the Commission Chair on an annual basis as recommended by the Executive Committee. A voting member of the Commission shall serve as the chair of each committee. The committee chair will report committee activities to the Commission as needed, but not less than once each six months. The Executive Committee shall have the authority of the Commission as provided in Article Four. The Executive Committee will review these bylaws and the Commissioner's Handbook on an annual basis and make recommendations for change when necessary.

*Section 7. Ad Hoc Committees.* Other committees may be designated by the Chair or by a resolution adopted by a majority of the Commissioners present at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Members of the ad hoc committee shall include Commissioners and staff as appointed by the Commission Chair. A voting member of the Commission shall serve as the chair of the ad hoc committee. The committee chair will report committee activities to the Commission during each Commission meeting.

## ARTICLE FOUR.

### AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new bylaws may be adopted by the Commission at any regular or special meeting of the Commission when a quorum is present; provided, however, that any changes are not in violation of Iowa Code. All alterations and amendments or new bylaws must be provided to the Commission in writing by the Executive Committee at least one Commission meeting prior to Commission action.

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## Audit & Finance Committee

Commissioner Fitzgibbon will present updates from the Audit & Finance Committee.

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## Legislative Committee

Commissioner Mulholland will present updates from the Legislative Committee.

Rule Chapter	Pre-Rulemaking Phase - Rules Report and Regulatory Analysis					Notice of Intended Action Phase							Adoption Phase				
	Draft Completed	Administrative Rule Report to IGOV	Regulatory Analysis Published	Public Hearing	IGOV Request to Initiate	Legislative Committee	Commission Board	Notice Published	Public Hearing 1	Public Hearing 2	Comment Period End	ARRC	Legislative Committee	Commission Board	Adoption Published	ARRC	Effective
Chapter 34 - Workforce Grant and Incentive Program																	
Chapter 16 - Future Ready Iowa Skilled Workforce Grant																	
Chapter 10 - Uniform Policies																	
Chapter 8 - All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship																	
Chapter 11 - Iowa Tuition Grant (for-profit)																	
Chapter 13 - Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant																	
Chapter 23 - Skilled Workforce Shortage Tuition Grant																	
Chapter 12 - Iowa Tuition Grant (not-for-profit)																	
Chapter 25 - Rural Iowa ARNP and PA Loan Repayment Program																	
Chapter 32 - Chiropractic Graduate Student Forgivable Loan Program																	
Chapter 35 - Iowa Teacher Shortage Loan Forgiveness Program																	
Chapter 36 - Terry Branstad Iowa State Fair Scholarship Program																	
Chapter 24 - Rural Iowa Primary Care Loan Repayment Program																	
Chapter 27 - Rural Iowa Veterinarian Loan Repayment Program																	
Chapter 31 - Mental Health Professional Loan Repayment Program																	
Chapter 15 - Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship Program																	
Chapter 18 - Iowa Work-Study Program																	
Chapter 1 - Organization and Operation																	
Chapter 2 - Procedure for Rule Making																	
Chapter 3 - Declaratory Orders																	
Chapter 4 - Due Process																	
Chapter 5 - Contested Cases																	
Chapter 6 - Public Records and Information Practices																	
Chapter 7 - Uniform Rules for Waivers																	
Chapter 14 - Health Care Professional Recruitment Program																	
Chapter 26 - Health Care Award Program																	
Chapter 28 - Teach Iowa Scholar Program																	
Chapter 20 - Iowa National Guard Service Scholarship Program																	
Chapter 29 - Iowa National Guard Master's Degree Scholarship Program																	
Chapter 30 - Iowa National Guard Student Loan Repayment Program																	
Chapter 21 - Approval of Postsecondary Schools																	
Chapter 22 - IMAGES																	
Chapter 33 - Chiropractic Loan Forgiveness Program																	
Chapter 37 - Student Loan Debt Collection																	

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## Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Stork will solicit comments from the Board.

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## Adjournment

Commissioner Stork will seek a motion to adjourn the meeting.