

Procedure Title: Tuition and Fee Waiver: Foster Youth
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Purpose/Principles:

The purpose of this procedure is to support current and former eligible foster youth in their education endeavor.

Definition:

Foster Youth- the student must have spent at least 180 days in a substitute care after age 14 and did not leave substitute care prior to their 16th birthday and enrolls at BMCC prior to the age of 25

Guidelines:

The Department of Human Services (DHS) will be responsible for determining initial eligibility for the tuition and fee waiver in accordance with HB 2095. In addition to the initial screening, the student:

- 1) must submit a completed FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) for each academic year he/she is eligible for the program
- 2) For years after the first academic year (of receiving the tuition and fee waiver), have completed a minimum of 30 volunteer hours in the previous academic year

Duration of Tuition and Fee Waiver:

- 1) Eligible students may receive the Tuition and Fee Waiver for up to 12 terms of full-time study or the equivalent. Less than full time enrollment would be prorated accordingly. No minimum credits/courses are required.
- 2) Students may take a break from school, but must enroll for the term in which the student will turn age 25 in order to be considered for the Tuition and Fee Waiver after age 25. After age

25, a student must remain enrolled at BMCC until completion of their undergraduate studies. A student must remain in good standing according to the institutional academic policy or the financial aid Satisfactory Academic Progress policy, whichever may apply and may not “stop out” of school after age 25 or they will lose their eligibility for the tuition and fee waiver.

- 3) A student may transfer from a private or other post-secondary institution to BMCC. The student may receive the tuition and fee waiver at BMCC if the student meets the eligibility criteria above and transfers to BMCC prior to age 25.
- 4) If a student meets all other criteria for eligibility, but does not have a need for a Tuition and Fee Waiver, the student shall remain eligible until the student receives the equivalent of 4 years of undergraduate education or until he/she obtains an associate’s degree

An eligible student's federal aid (Pell, SEOG), Oregon Opportunity Grant (OOG) and any other institutional aid will be used to cover the student's tuition and fees. Any amount of tuition and fees remaining after the Pell, SEOG, OOG and other school aid is applied will be waived.

Financial aid sources not allowed as a reduction to the tuition and fees waived include:

- Non-tuition scholarships from sources outside the university or college (including those passed through OSAC),
- Chafee Education and Training Grant,
- Loans

The tuition and fee waiver does not include AFEES and may not be applied to community education programs.

The application process and requirements for each of these tuition waivers will be overseen by the office responsible for updating this procedure.

If the student is co-enrolled with BMCC and another college, this tuition waiver applies to BMCC courses only.

Form: Tuition and Fee Waiver: Foster Youth



**2015-2016
TUITION AND FEE WAIVER:
FOSTER YOUTH
Financial Aid Office**

Blue Mountain Community College
2411 NW Carden, PO Box 100
Pendleton, OR 97801
(541) 278-5759 Service Center
(541) 278-5889 Fax
finaid@bluecc.edu email

BMCC ID: _____

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____

Terms requesting waiver for: summer 2015 fall 2015 winter 2016 spring 2016

I have completed the FAFSA Yes No

This is my second year receiving the tuition and fee waiver: Yes No

If yes, a minimum of 30 volunteer hours in the previous academic year must have been completed. Please complete the following and attach evidence that you have spent a minimum of 30 hours in this capacity during the 2014-2015 academic year (examples of documentation include timesheets, daily logs, or a letter from a supervisor)

Organization: _____

Supervisor: _____ Supervisor's Phone number: _____

Description of community service work (title If other than "volunteer", your duties, accomplishments and challenges, learning, or experience acquired) _____

I have read and understand the criteria for the tuition waiver and have attached supporting documentation for my request if needed.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

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FA Director: <input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied, Reason:	FA Director's signature _____	Date: _____
SERVICE CENTER:			
Term: _____	Amount \$ _____	(Tuition and Fees) Initials: _____	Date: _____
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<i>Note: Service Center will return completed form to financial aid so a copy can be placed in student's financial aid file. The financial aid office will then give the original form to the business office.</i>			