

STUDENT FINANCIAL AID PROGRAM

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(REGULATION)

STUDENT DEFAULTS

Students in default of a federal or state loan will be referred to the student financial services office. The following guidelines will apply:

1. The chief student financial aid officer or designee will counsel the student concerning his or her financial obligations and will assist the student in contacting the lender.
2. The chief student financial aid officer or designee will determine the enrollment status of the student and whether the student is entitled to receive an official transcript.

When the student is in good standing regarding financial aid, the student may be reinstated for financial aid and may be eligible to receive official transcripts.

APPEALS
PROCEDURE FOR
FINANCIAL AID
SUSPENSION

A student may appeal suspension from financial aid due to extenuating circumstances such as injury, illness, death in the immediate family, or undue hardship. The student will:

1. Submit in writing to the student financial services office the extenuating circumstances for the semesters in which standards of "satisfactory progress" were not fulfilled and will provide any documentation that may help to substantiate the appeal. The student must also submit documentation that explains what has changed that will allow the student to make satisfactory academic progress at the next evaluation.
2. Submit with the appeal a degree plan signed by an advisor that includes the designation of a major, courses completed, and courses remaining for graduation.

The appeals committee will review the extenuating circumstances, academic history, and degree plan in making a decision. The decision of the appeals committee will be forwarded to the student within one week.

If the student is not satisfied with the decision rendered by the appeals committee, he or she may appeal in person to the committee at the next regularly scheduled meeting. The decision of the appeals committee, after a personal appeal, is final.

SATISFACTORY
PROGRESS
REQUIREMENTS

To receive financial aid, a student must complete 75 percent of all attempted coursework at the College District with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 1.5 for the first 30 semester hours and a GPA of 2.0 for all remaining coursework. Summer I and Summer II sessions are combined to constitute one semester.

Financial aid eligibility is limited to 45 hours of attempted coursework at the College District for certificate programs and 90 hours of attempted coursework for associate degrees, regardless of whether the student received financial aid.