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Jonathan Biedler
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Re: PROMISE Scholarship Eligibility for Jonathan Biedler

Dear Jonathan,

This letter is in response to the letter we received regarding your PROMISE Scholarship eligibility from Michael P Donnelly, Home School Legal Defense Associate Attorney. Based upon the Legislative Rule §133-7 pertaining to PROMISE eligibility for home-schooled applicants, you do not qualify if you do not fulfill ALL of the established requirements, including an eligible high school equivalency exam score.

§133-7-3. Eligibility for the Home-Schooled.

3.1. A person who has been home-schooled pursuant to the exemption allowed by W.Va. Code § 18- 8-1 for both the 11th and 12th grades as documented by registration with the county school board system is eligible for a PROMISE award, but only if he or she has passed a state approved high school equivalency examination with a minimum score as determined by the Commission.

The TASC Score Requirement: minimum score of 2750 with a passing score in each sub section.

The GED Score Requirement: minimum score of 2500.

PROMISE awards notifications typically go out in April/May. You can take the TASC exam after this time and still receive an award. We do not have an official deadline for receiving scores on a high school equivalency exam, but scores must be received before a student can be awarded. You will initially receive a denial notification. Once we receive your qualifying scores, your award will be processed and your institution would add this to your financial aid package at that time.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our office at (304) 558-4417 or toll-free at 1-888-825-5707.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tana Pendell".

Tana Pendell
PROMISE Scholarship Program Administrator

cc: Michael P Donnelly, HSLDA

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