

Chapter 22. Grant and Scholarship Programs

Subchapter O. Exemption Program for Children of Professional Nursing Program Faculty and Staff

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§22.292 Authority and Purpose (a) Authority. Authority for this subchapter is provided in the Texas Education Code, §54.221, Children of Professional Nursing Program Faculty and Staff. These rules establish procedures to administer this exemption program.

(b) Purpose. The purpose of this program is to provide exemptions from the payment of tuition to eligible students to encourage their parents to continue employment as professional nurse faculty or staff members in the State of Texas.

Source Note: *The provisions of this §22.292 adopted to be effective November 28, 2005, 30 TexReg 7872*

§22.293 Definitions The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

- (1) Board--the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.
- (2) Child--a child 25 years of age or younger, including an adopted child.
- (3) Commissioner--the Commissioner of Higher Education, the Chief Executive Officer of the Board.
- (4) Full-time member of faculty or staff--an individual who is classified by the human resources department of his or her institution of higher education as employed full-time.
- (5) Graduate professional nursing program--an educational program of a public institution of higher education that prepares students for a master's or doctoral degree in nursing.
- (6) Institution of Higher Education or Institution--any public technical institute, public junior college, public senior college or university, medical or dental unit or other agency of higher education as defined in Texas Education Code, §61.003(8).
- (7) Resident of Texas--a resident of the State of Texas as determined in accordance with §§21.21 - 21.27 of this title (relating to Determining Residence Status). Nonresident students who are eligible to pay resident tuition rates are not residents of Texas.
- (8) Tuition--includes statutory tuition, designated tuition and board-authorized tuition.
- (9) Undergraduate professional nursing program--a public educational program for preparing students for initial licensure as registered nurses.

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§22.294 Tuition Exemption Each institution of higher education shall exempt from the payment of tuition all eligible students.

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§22.295 Eligible Students (a) To receive an award through the Exemption Program for Children of Professional Nursing Faculty and Staff, a student shall:

- (1) be a resident of Texas,
- (2) not have been granted a baccalaureate degree,
- (3) be enrolled at an institution that offers an undergraduate or graduate program of professional nursing,
- (4) be the child of an individual who:

(A) at the beginning of the semester or other academic term for which an exemption is sought:

(i) holds a master's or doctoral degree in nursing, and is employed full-time by a undergraduate or graduate professional nursing program offered by the institution that the child is attending and is employed as a member of the faculty or staff with duties that include teaching, performing research, serving as an administrator, or performing other professional services other than serving as a teaching assistant, or

(ii) holds a baccalaureate degree in nursing and is employed by a professional nursing program offered by the institution as a full-time teaching assistant, or

(B) during all or part of the semester or other academic term for which an exemption is sought:

(i) holds a master's or doctoral degree in nursing, and has contracted with an undergraduate or graduate professional nursing program in this state to serve as a full-time member of its faculty or staff with duties that include teaching, performing research, serving as an administrator, or performing other professional services other than serving as a teaching assistant, or

(ii) holds a baccalaureate degree in nursing and has contracted with a professional nursing program offered by the institution to serve as a full-time teaching assistant.

(5) be enrolled at the same institution of higher education at which the student's parent is currently employed or with which the parent has contracted, either as a professional nursing faculty or staff member.

(b) Discontinuation of Eligibility.

(1) A person's eligibility ends when the person has:

(A) previously received exemptions under this subchapter for 10 semesters or summer sessions at any institution or institutions or higher education, or

(B) received a baccalaureate degree.

(2) For the purpose of this provision, a summer session that is less than nine weeks in duration is considered one-half of a summer session.

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§22.296 Proration of Exemption If the parent is employed on less than a full-time basis, the value of the exemption is to be prorated in accordance with the parent's employment load. Under no circumstances, however, is the exemption to be for an amount less than 25 percent of the student's tuition.

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§22.297 Application Process To apply for an exemption through this subchapter, a student shall submit to the institution a completed Professional Nursing Faculty and Staff Exemption Application.

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