### California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office BOG Fee Waiver

Loss of BOG Fee Waiver

# Appeals

# Notification

#### Academic & Progress Standards

Two consecutive primary terms (Fall/ Spring) of not meeting academic and/or progress standards

Cumulative GPA of at least 2.0

Academic Standard

Foster Youth & Former Foster Youth (up to 24 years of age) not subject to loss of fee waiver under the regulations

Foster Youth

- Still eligible to receive support services
- Exemption is extended to Enrollment Priority as well

Other

- Districts are prohibited from establishing standards that are more strict than those in regulation
- Student can regain eligibility by:
  - 1. Meeting academic and progress standards OR
  - 2. Successful appeal OR
  - 3. Sitting out two consecutive primary terms: *not attending your* district
- Each District shall establish written procedures by which a student may appeal the loss of BOGFW

#### Circumstances (6)

- 1. Verified cases of accidents, illnesses, or other circumstances beyond the student's control
- 2. Student with disabilities who applied for but didn't receive accommodation in a timely manner

Cumulative satisfactory

completion of more than

50% of attempted units

**Progress Standard** 

3. Significant academic improvement

Successful Enrollment Priority Appeal extends to **BOGFW** appeal

- 4. Changes to student's economic situation
- **5.** Evidence student was unable to obtain essential support services
- **6**. Special consideration of factors for CalWorks. EOPS, DSPS and Veteran students
- 4,5 & 6 apply only to **BOGFW** appeals

#### Notification

Within 30 days of end of term

#### Timing

- Loss of eligibility shall become effective at the FIRST registration opportunity
- FIRST registration opportunity is student specific, not college specific

#### Rules

- If student registers for term BEFORE determination of 2 terms of probation, loss would occur for the following term
- If student registers for term AFTER determination of 2 terms of probation, loss occurs for the upcoming term

#### Determination

The SYSTEM status takes precedent over the NOTIFICATION date when determining 2-term probation

## BOG Fee Waiver Examples

#### **Example: Enrollment BEFORE determination of 2-term probation**

#### Information

- Fall 2015 ends on Dec 20: 48% completion & 2.85 GPA
- Spring 2016 ends on May 20: 49% completion & 2.5 GPA
- Summer & Fall 2016 registration: April 2, 2016
- System determination for loss of BOGFW: June 10, 2016

Action

- First Notification due: January 20, 2016
- **Second Notification due**: June 20, 2016
- Eligible for Summer fee waiver? YES
- **Eligible for Fall 2016 fee waiver?** YES, registered BEFORE determination of 2-term probation
- Eligible for Spring 2017 fee waiver? NO

#### Example: Applies for financial aid late, eligible?

#### Information

- Fall registration: April 15, 2016
- System determination for loss of BOGFW: June 10, 2016
- Notification to student: June 15, 2016
- Student applies for financial aid: August 25, 2016

Action

• **Eligible for Fall 2016 BOGFW?** YES because student registered for Fall back in April. The time when the student files for financial aid does not determine the loss of the BOGFW, registration opportunity does.

#### **NOTES**

- The SYSTEM status takes precedent over the NOTIFICATION date
- The 100 unit cap is NOT tied to loss of BOG Fee Waiver, it ONLY affects Enrollment Priority
- Summer terms are not considered primary terms. Once a 2-term probation has been determined, the student loses eligibility for the BOG fee waiver for all terms including Summer & Winter – not just primary terms, Fall & Spring
- If student registers for term BEFORE determination of 2 terms of probation, loss would occur for the following term
- If student registers for term AFTER determination of 2 terms of probation, loss occurs for the upcoming term
- Significant academic improvement defined in regulations as: "Achieving no less than the minimum grade point average and program standard"
- Each College District shall establish written procedures by which a student may appeal the loss of the BOGFW
- The College District can certainly establish an appeal committee that can oversee both the loss of the BOGFW and Enrollment Priority
- Design appeals process and polices to support student success
- Remember that deadlines for submitting the appeal are established by the College District
- If student A receives notification of loss of BOGFW but registered for summer and fall 2016 terms (AFTER enrollment priority), the student can certainly submit a BOGFW appeal during the summer 2016 to regain eligibility for the fall 2016 term
- If student B receives notification of loss of BOGFW but registered for fall 2016 term (during enrollment priority), the student is ineligible for spring 2017term, but can certainly submit a BOGFW appeal during the fall 2016 term to regain eligibility for the spring 2017 term