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Dear Colleague:

The following is information regarding revisions to the 2019-2020 (FY 2020) Program Regulations. The Georgia Student Finance Commission (GSFC) and the Georgia Student Finance Authority (GSFA) Boards approved revisions to the Program Regulations at the November 8, 2019 Board meeting. The revisions are effective immediately.

**2019-2020 HOPE Scholarship and Zell Miller Scholarship Programs**

Revised – Satisfactory Academic Progress, sections 104, 204, and 4004

- In an established appeal process for the quantitative standard, Eligible Postsecondary Institutions may exclude credits taken while in high school for HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarship recipients.

**2019-2020 REACH Georgia**

Clarified – School System Requirements, section 5204

- Academic Achievement requirements, section 5207
- CHECS Reporting Requirements, section 5209

- Footnotes were added for clarification related to provisions in effect should certain provisions not be possible due to funding.

- A participating School System’s share shall be returned if a REACH Scholar fails to enroll in an Eligibility Postsecondary Institution within the length of eligibility.

- The postsecondary HOPE GPA calculated from CHECS will be utilized at the end of each Spring term to determine a REACH Scholar’s continued eligibility. Students may regain eligibility once at any term they earn the minimum required GPA or higher.

The revised Program Regulations will be posted at [www.gsfc.org](http://www.gsfc.org) by November 15, 2019. A link to the Program Regulations can also be found at [www.GAfutures.org](http://www.GAfutures.org) under “Shortcuts.” If you have any questions relating to the revisions of the Regulations or program information, please contact Pennie Strong, Vice President, Student Aid Services, at 770.724.9014 or pennies@gsfc.org.

Sincerely,

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