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Subject: Move On When Ready (MOWR) Updates for Georgia Home Study Programs

Dear Colleague:

The first year of the Move On When Ready Program (MOWR) has been widely popular with Georgia high school students. As you know MOWR provides tuition, mandatory fees and course books for eligible students who are enrolled in postsecondary courses and earning credit towards either high school graduation or home study completion requirements.

The program is embarking on the first summer term of dual enrollment. Eligible high school students who meet admissions requirements may participate in MOWR during summer term at eligible Postsecondary institutions.

Program Regulations for the 2016-2017 academic year (FY 2017) will be released in May 2016 upon GSFC Board of Commissioners' approval. The Regulations are announced through a Dear Colleague Letter each year and hosted on GACollege411.org and GSFC.org.

MOWR Approved Course Directory

The MOWR Approved Course Directory located on GACollege411.org has been updated to include summer and fall terms. Additionally, a search option is available. The course listing has been updated to eliminate the use of generic course listings. Effective Summer term 2016, college courses that do not have a clear match with a GaDOE high school course will have a course name and number that reflects it as a dual enrollment course. Please see the Course Directory located on GACollege411.org

Participation Agreement

Each eligible high school (public and private high schools organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia as defined by O.C.G.A. 20-2-161.3(a)(4)) and home study programs (operated pursuant to O.C.G.A. 20-2-690) that chooses to participate in MOWR must sign a [MOWR Participation Agreement](#). The 2016-2017 MOWR Home Study Programs Participation Agreement is available on GACollege411.org. A link to the agreement is also included in the email for your convenience.

The Home Study Program Participation Agreement must be submitted annually and include the annual Georgia Department of Education Declaration of Intent code; thereby, documenting the intent to home school your child. The Agreement should be submitted to GSFC by July 1, 2016 or no later than the start of the term deadline set by the participating postsecondary institution.

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The student cannot be approved for MOWR until the home study has submitted a participation agreement. The Participation Agreements must be signed by an authorized individual (parent) and sent to GSFC by email, fax or mail. Note: The agreement does not need to be notarized.

Email: SAS@gsfc.org

Fax: 770.724.9249

Mail: GSFC, Student Aid Services
2082 East Exchange Place Tucker, GA 30084

MOWR Application

- The MOWR application is available on GAcollege411.org. Please keep in mind:
 - o Home study students must complete the MOWR **paper application**.
 - o The home study program will be assigned a MOWR ID. It is beneficial to include that MOWR ID on future participation agreements and all documents.
- The application must be completed by the student/parent (Part I), the home study program (Part II) and the postsecondary institution (Part III) and submitted to GSFC.
- The **application deadline** to submit to GSFC has been revised. Effective Spring Term 2016, the completed application must be submitted to GSFC by the last day of the term or the student's withdrawal date, whichever occurs first.
- High schools and postsecondary institutions may set an earlier deadline in order to approve students for dual enrollment and for MOWR funds.
- Applications received by GSFC after the deadline dates will not be funded.

Thank you for your participation in MOWR. If you have questions or concerns related to the MOWR Program, please email SAS@gsfc.org or call Student Aid Services, at 800.505.4132.

Sincerely,



Tricia Chastain

Attachment