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Virginia Department of Education
Guidelines for the Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credits Program
Effective October 20, 2017

Requirements for awarding scholarships

“In awarding scholarships from tax credit-derived funds, scholarship foundations must (i) provide scholarships for qualified educational expenses only to eligible students whose family's annual household income is not in excess of 300 percent of the current poverty guidelines or to eligible students with a disability; (ii) not limit scholarships to students of one school; and (iii) comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended. Applicant scholarship foundations must provide an assurance in the initial application to the Department that they will comply with items (i) through (iii) of this paragraph.

Documentation must be maintained by the scholarship foundation that demonstrates it does not limit scholarships to students of one school. This may be in the form of a written policy of the scholarship foundation, an indication of such policy on its public website, or published on its public website, a list of eligible schools that students it has awarded scholarships currently attend.

Notwithstanding the requirement in Section 58.1-439.28 C of the *Code of Virginia* not to limit scholarships to eligible students of one school, **donors may designate or limit their donations, and scholarship foundations may designate or limit their scholarship awards, to a particular group of eligible schools** where scholarships may be used by eligible students, as long as the eligible student's parent or legal guardian selects the eligible school where the scholarship will be used among those in the designated or limited group. In order to safeguard the 501(c)(3) status of approved scholarship foundations, with such status required under Section 58.1-439.25 A of the *Code of Virginia* to qualify as a scholarship foundation, a donor is not permitted to designate a specific eligible student to be the recipient of a scholarship that is derived from the donor's monetary or marketable securities donation.”

A donor may designate a donation(s) for one of the following groups of TCFHR eligible schools below. However, donors are not required to designate a school group. When all schools within a group have received full scholarship funding for eligible students, The Community Foundation reserves the right to direct funds to provide scholarships for eligible students at an alternate group of eligible schools, in order to avoid penalties, pursuant to Section 58.1-439.28 A of the *Code of Virginia*. Please complete and sign this form, and return it to TCFHR, with your signed Preauthorization Notice, at the time you make your gift.

GROUP A:

Blue Ridge Christian School (Bridgewater, VA)
Cornerstone Christian School (Harrisonburg, VA)
Eastern Mennonite School (Harrisonburg, VA)
Redeemer Classical School (Keezletown, VA)

GROUP B:

Community School (Roanoke, VA)
Community Christian Academy, (Charlottesville, VA)
Grace Christian School (Staunton, VA)
Wakefield Country Day School (Huntly, VA)

_____ Group A _____ Group B _____ No preference

Donor Signature

Date

Donor Name (PLEASE PRINT)

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