SUBJECT: SENIOR CITIZEN TUITION WAIVER

PURPOSE: To provide guidelines and procedures for the senior citizen tuition waiver

A. Introduction

The Maine Community College System allows for the waiver of tuition for certain senior citizens who register for certain credit courses. The purpose of this procedure is to define and guide the application of this waiver.

B. Eligibility

The tuition waiver provided by this procedure shall be available to any student who is:

1. A Maine resident; and

2. Age 65 or older; provided that persons who are at least age 62 who received a waiver in AY 15-16 shall continue to be eligible for the waiver.

C. Benefits

MCCS shall upon request by eligible students provide the following benefit:

1. With the approval of the chief admissions officer, registration on a space available basis in credit course(s);

2. Waiver of tuition for up to six credit hours per semester; and

3. Waiver of tuition for up to 23 credit hours per person.

The tuition waiver applies only to tuition and not to any other book, lab or other student fee or charges. Nonetheless, a college with unique financial and operational conditions may waive some or all of one or more of these fees or charges, as well as the limitations in section C (2) and (3) above, if the college determines that it can absorb the resulting lost revenues without undue financial impact.

D. Transferring between Maine’s Community Colleges

Eligible students transferring between Maine’s community colleges must apply for a waiver from the new college.
E. Effective Date

To the extent that this procedure, which is intended to memorialize existing college practices, changes any such practices, this procedure shall take effect for the fall, 2016 semester.

REFERENCES: MCCS Policy 707

DATE ADOPTED: June 21, 2016

DATE(S) AMENDED: