

RESOLUTION NO.: 2022-2307

Adopted: November 17, 2021

Effective Date: January 3, 2021

2022

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION

Subject: A RESOLUTION adopting Chapter 2.03 of the WSSC Code of Regulations 2021 (“Code”), Commission Engineering Scholarship.

WHEREAS, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (“Commission”) is authorized and empowered to adopt regulations pursuant to § 17-403 of the Public Utilities Article, Annotated Code of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the Commission having already moved by a majority vote to establish the Joyce Starks Engineering Scholarship for residents of Prince George’s County in 2007 and the Gene W. Counihan Engineering Scholarship for residents of Montgomery County in 2012, collectively referred to as the Engineering Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to continue the annual award of the Engineering Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2012, the Commission adopted Resolution 2013-1980, which approved the adoption of Award Procedures for the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission Engineering Scholarships Standard Procedure, Gov 13-01; and

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2019, the Commission’s new Code of Regulations and Manual of Standard Procedures went into effect, giving the existing Regulations and Standard Procedures of the Commission chapter numbers in place of the prior numbering scheme; and

WHEREAS, Gov 13-01 was not included in the codification process but remains in force, and, therefore, retained the title of Gov 13-01; and

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to rescind Gov 13-01 and adopt Chapter 2.03 of the WSSC Code; and

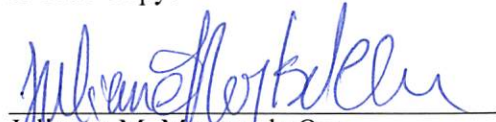
WHEREAS, Chapter 2.03 clarifies the eligibility requirements for the scholarship, the benefits of the scholarship, and the renewal requirements to maintain the scholarship, provides Commissioners the flexibility to raise the scholarship amount, conforms with the Maryland Legislative Drafting Manual, and removes extraneous details.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this 17th day of November, 2021, that the Commission hereby adopts Chapter 2.03 of Title 2, Administration, Subtitle I, General, of the Code; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the revision shall be effective on January 3, 2021;
and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of this resolution and the actions taken hereunder shall be published in at least one (1) newspaper published in each county of the Washington Suburban Sanitary District for thirty (30) days prior to the effective date.

A True Copy.



Julianne M. Montes de Oca
Corporate Secretary

Legal Review of Regulation

As requested, the following Regulation has been reviewed as required by Chapter 1.42 of the WSSC Manual of Standard Procedures:

WSSC Code of Regulations
Title 2. Administration
Subtitle 1. General
Chapter 2.03 Commissioner Engineering Scholarship

1. Legal Sufficiency Review:

This Regulation has been reviewed and determined to be legally sufficient.

If not legally sufficient, details provided below:

N/A.

2. Approval Authority

The Commission has authority to adopt this Regulation.

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WSSC CODE OF REGULATIONS 2021

TITLE 2: ADMINISTRATION

SUBTITLE 1: GENERAL

CHAPTER 2.03: COMMISSION ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

2.03.010 Definitions.

(a) In this chapter, the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) “Engineering degree or program” includes:

- (1) Civil Engineering:
 - (i) Environmental;
 - (ii) Sanitary;
 - (iii) Structural;
 - (iv) Geotechnical;
 - (v) Water Resources;
 - (vi) Fire Protection;
 - (vii) Transportation;
 - (viii) Project Management; and
 - (ix) Construction Management;
- (2) Electrical Engineering;
- (3) Material Science and Engineering;
- (4) Chemical Engineering;
- (5) Mechanical Engineering; and
- (6) Computer Science.

(c) “Full-time enrollment” means enrollment in a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester or as otherwise defined in the university or college handbook or written policy.

(d) “Permanent residency” means continued residency in either Montgomery or Prince George’s County, evidenced by an unexpired driver’s license, government-issued identification card, voter registration card, or other proof of residency deemed acceptable by the Commission.

2.03.020 Purpose.

This chapter shall establish the eligibility criteria for the WSSC Engineering Scholarship.

2.03.030 Scope.

This chapter applies to applicants and recipients of the WSSC Engineering Scholarship.

2.03.040 Scholarship.

(a)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the WSSC Commission Engineering Scholarship shall be awarded to two students each calendar year.

(2) One student shall be a resident of Montgomery County and one a resident of Prince George’s County.

(3) If there are no eligible or selected applicants for one or both counties in a given year, the scholarship shall not be awarded.

(b) Each year, before advertising the availability of the WSSC Engineering Scholarship,

the Commissioners shall determine the amount of the scholarship award in accordance with WSSC's approved fiscal year budget.

(c)(1) The Corporate Secretary shall organize a committee of a minimum of three WSSC employees to evaluate the scholarship applicants.

(2) The committee shall recommend to the Commissioners one awardee for each county.

(3) The Commissioners shall make the final selection of an awardee for each county.

(d) Eligibility.

(1)(i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, to qualify for the scholarship, applicants shall show:

a. permanent residency in either Montgomery County or Prince George's County; and

b. full-time enrollment in an engineering degree or program at an accredited university or college.

(ii) For applicants that are in their twelfth grade of high school, acceptance into an engineering degree or program by an accredited university or college is required.

(2) Applicants shall submit a complete application by the specified date and method of delivery advertised in the annual scholarship announcement.

(e) Renewal of scholarship.

(1) Scholarship recipients may renew the scholarship for up to three additional years, for a total of four consecutive years.

(2) To renew the scholarship, scholarship recipients must demonstrate:

(i) continued permanent residency in their respective county;

(ii) continued full-time enrollment in an engineering degree or program at an accredited university or college; and

(iii) semester and cumulative year end grade point average of 2.5 or above.

(3) Scholarship recipients shall contact the Commissioners' Office to request scholarship renewal.

(f)(1) Scholarship recipients shall be eligible for any engineering-related WSSC summer internships.

(2) When reviewing summer internship applications, WSSC shall give scholarship recipients preferential consideration.