

612:10-7-159. Privately owned business and trade schools [AMENDED]

(a) Training may be purchased for eligible clients from schools listed as approved in the contract log after full utilization of available comparable benefits such as PELL grants and other Federal/State student aid (excluding merit awards). Schools approved through the state board responsible for accrediting/licensing that particular type of school may be used to train clients following the processing and approval of a written purchasing agreement with the Department. If the school has not been used previously, then a written purchasing agreement must be obtained.

(b) Continued eligibility of a client in training at a privately owned business or trade school will be based on the client's performance in respect to grades, progress and attendance. Clients are expected to attend classes regularly and make continued progress toward completion while maintaining a C average as shown in the monthly training progress report. The standards used by the training facility and those set in DRS Policy for satisfactory progress, in respect to grades and attendance, will be utilized by DVR and DVS staff in determining the progress of the individual.

(1) DVR and DVS sponsored clients attending privately owned business and trade schools who withdraw or fail course work will be required to pay for like credit or clock hours during the following enrollment period.

(2) Students who fail to meet agency sponsorship guidelines for training at privately owned business and trade schools may continue to receive services not requiring client participation in cost.

(3) A client failing to meet agency sponsorship guidelines may be approved by the ~~home~~ counselor if there are extenuating circumstances.

(4) A client failing to meet agency sponsorship guidelines will be contacted as soon as appropriate to complete a program review to determine if a change in services, vocational goal or objective is needed. A client failing to meet chosen goals will not have his/her case closed until the counselor has provided counseling and guidance and has determined that a change in the IPE is inappropriate. The counselor should investigate the need for further vocational and/or educational evaluation to explore alternative employment goals.