# UPDATES AND CHANGES TO TENNESSEE PROMISE

## Changes made on September 19, 2014

The TSAC Board meeting was held on September 19, 2014 and changes to the Tennessee Promise Scholarship were recommended. Below is a summary of the changes that were approved.

#### **Items added:**

- Tuition waivers/discounts must be deducted from tuition and mandatory fees before gift aid is credited
- A high school graduate who earns associate's degree prior to enrolling in the fall term is ineligible for the Tennessee Promise
- Students must complete FAFSA verification by August 1 at two- and four-year institutions or by October 1 at TCATs
- Community service completion deadlines:
  - For fall semester August 1
  - For spring semester December 1
  - For summer semester May 1
- A student on an approved leave of absence who is unable to complete community service prior to the academic term shall perform the community service in the first academic term after the leave of absence
- Community service shall be completed after January 1 of senior year
- Partnering organizations have two weeks from community service deadlines to report student requirements (mandatory meetings, community service, etc.)

#### Items deleted:

- Requirement that a partnering organization approve community service in advance
- Restriction that a student cannot receive academic credit for community service

### Item(s) clarified:

Partnering organizations must provide one mandatory meeting for mentors and students before March 1 and May 31 deadlines

