

**TITLE 610. STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION  
CHAPTER 25. STUDENT FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

**RULEMAKING ACTION:**

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

**PROPOSED RULES:**

Subchapter 29. Tulsa Reconciliation Education and Scholarship Act

610:25-29-4. Principles for awards, continuation of awards, disbursements, refunds, and applications  
[AMENDED]

**SUMMARY:**

In 2001, the Oklahoma Legislature passed HB 1178 (now 70 O.S. § 2620, et seq.), the "1921 Tulsa Race Riot Reconciliation Act of 2001," which created the Tulsa Reconciliation Education and Scholarship Program (TRESP). The proposed permanent rule revisions would allow the State Regents to designate Langston University – Tulsa (LU-Tulsa) administrators to coordinate the application process for the TRESP. The revisions would authorize the President of Langston University, or designee, to organize an advisory committee of Tulsa community representatives to review applications and recommend scholarship recipients to the State Regents. The changes to the use of lineal descentance changes it to a preference factor required for consideration when two conditions are met: 1) the applicant is eligible for the scholarship according to the requirements already present at OAC 610:25-29-4(b)(3)(A) & (B), and 2) when the requirements at OAC 610:25-29-4(b)(3)(A) & (B) prove inadequate to narrow the pool of applicants sufficiently.

**AUTHORITY:**

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education; 70 O.S. § 2623(D)

**COMMENT PERIOD:**

Interested persons may submit written comments to Chris Turner Jr., Associate General Counsel, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, [cturner@osrhe.edu](mailto:cturner@osrhe.edu), by 5:00 p.m., July 17, 2023.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

A public hearing has not been scheduled; however, pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(B)(9), "persons may demand a hearing" by contacting Chris Turner Jr., Associate General Counsel, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, 405-225-9289, [cturner@osrhe.edu](mailto:cturner@osrhe.edu), by 5:00 p.m., July 17, 2023.

**REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:**

N/A

**COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:**

Copies of the proposed rules will be made available at the office of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, and on the agency's website at <https://www.okhighered.org> on or before June 15, 2023.

**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(D), a rule impact statement will be made available on the agency's website at <https://www.okhighered.org> on or before June 30, 2023.

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