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MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM | COMMISSIONER'S DIRECTIVE

RE: Protocol for student completion of educational programs on sexual assault awareness and prevention, alcohol use and abuse, and financial literacy

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 15, 2014

This directive supports improvement in three major areas identified by campus student affairs officers as barriers to student success. At the initiative of the Board of Regents of Higher Education, the Commissioner of Higher Education directs:

Effectively immediately, all new full-time and part-time students, as well as new transfer students entering each semester at the undergraduate and graduate level, must complete the authorized programs in alcohol education and sexual assault awareness and prevention.

As of the issuance of this directive, the authorized sexual assault education program is Haven (an EverFi product) or PETSAs (a University of Montana developed product). The authorized alcohol education program is AlcoholEdu (an EverFi product).

Starting Fall Semester 2015, students who do not complete Haven/PETSAs and AlcoholEdu will be unable to register for classes.

Concurrently enrolled high school students taking dual-credit courses in their high school are exempt from these requirements. Students enrolled solely in continuing-education courses are also exempt.

Campuses are encouraged to make the financial literacy education program (offered through the EverFi product known as Transit) available to all students on campus. Additionally, campuses are encouraged to make the Haven/PETSAs and AlcoholEdu programs available for all students, including any who are expressly exempt as noted above but who may desire the programs.

Clayton T. Christian
Commissioner of Higher Education

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