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Stephanie Peden 505 North Ole Street W. Memphis, AR 72301

Dear Ms. Peden:

Thank you for your recent letter concerning Mississippi's Critical Needs Teacher Scholarship Program. Students enrolled on a full-time basis may receive a maximum of four annual awards. At the beginning of the first school year in which a recipient is eligible for employment as a licensed teacher, recipients begin to render service in a public school district in a geographical area of the state where there is a critical shortage of teachers. Any person who receives four awards shall render three years' service as a licensed teacher.

The State Financial Aid Office (601-432-6663) can provide you with additional information on this scholarship and can assist you in identifying any other financial aid that you may be eligible for. The Education Services Foundation (1-800-986-4322) can also assist you.

Again, many thanks for your inquiry and best of luck in your studies.

Very truly yours,

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