SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY
FOR FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY

All students who receive Title IV financial aid must be working toward a
degree at Pellissippi State. In order to assure that the student is making satisfactory
academic progress, both in terms of number of hours completed and cumulative
GPA, Pellissippi State will evaluate students at the end of the academic
year using the following satisfactory progress policy:

**Progress Standards**
1. A student will be on financial aid suspension if he/she does not keep a 2.0
cumulative grade point average (checked after spring and summer semesters.)
2. A student must pass two-thirds (.66) of the hours attempted (checked after
spring and summer semesters.) Satisfactory grades are A, B+, B, C+, C, D
or P. Unsatisfactory grades are F, E, AU, NP or W. A grade of I is considered
unsatisfactory until changed to a passing grade.
3. Any student who receives a 0.0 GPA for a semester due to all F grades (or
a combination of F, W, or AU grades) will be removed from financial aid eligibility
without a probationary period (checked after each semester.)
4. Any student who received a 0.0 GPA for a semester as the result of an official
withdrawal from the College will be placed on financial aid probation.
If a student totally withdraws from two semesters, between which no successful
work has been completed, all forms of financial assistance to the student
will be terminated.
5. If a student has not reestablished satisfactory progress after the one semester
of financial aid probation, all forms of financial assistance (including
student loans) to the student will be suspended.
6. A student may be reinstated on financial aid by personally paying the education
expenses for a minimum of 6 credit hours for one full semester and
passing all hours attempted with a minimum 2.0 GPA.

**NOTE: It is the responsibility of the student to inform the Financial Aid
Office if he/she has met the requirements.**

**Time Limit for Financial Aid**
A student may be eligible to receive financial aid for a maximum of 90 hours
attempted toward a degree and 30 hours of required developmental studies courses,
for a maximum of 120 hours.
Transfer hours accepted by Pellissippi State will be counted toward the maximum
number of hours allowed to be eligible to receive financial aid.

**Financial Aid Appeals**
Any termination of financial aid may be appealed. Any student not satisfied with
the decision rendered may take his/her appeal to the Financial Aid Committee. The
student must be able to prove extenuating circumstances for an appeal.
Any student whose appeal is granted will be placed on financial aid probation
for the subsequent semester. Failure to maintain satisfactory progress at the end
of that semester will again result in termination of financial aid.