

DATE: July 25, 2013

SUBJECT: Temporary Authorization of New Institutions under the Postsecondary Authorization Act

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Temporary Authorization

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Commission, under the Postsecondary Authorization Act, has the “power and duty” to act upon applications for authorization to operate an educational institution in the state. For the institutions listed below, applications have been reviewed, site visits have been performed, and staff has determined that all necessary documentation and bonds have been secured. The Committee on Postsecondary Educational Institutions met on July 11, 2013 and endorsed staff recommendations for Temporary Authorization of these institutions.

A. Asbury Theological Seminary - Memphis **Memphis, TN**
4488 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38117

Corporate Structure: Not-For-Profit Corporation
Accreditation: Southern Association of Colleges and Schools,
Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC)
The Association of Theological Schools (ATS)
Title IV Funding: Yes

Asbury is seeking approval for two new programs. The programs will be offered in a blended format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized sites in Memphis, Tennessee and Wilmore, Kentucky, as well as on-line.

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| 1. | <p>Program: Divinity Credential Awarded: Master of Divinity Length of Program: 96 Semester Credit Hours 39 Months Full-Time 120 Months Part-Time</p> |
| 2. | <p>Program: Christian Ministries Credential Awarded: Masters of Arts Length of Program: 60 Semester Credit Hours 24 Months Full-Time 84 Months Part-Time</p> |

B. Asbury Theological Seminary **Wilmore, KY**
204 North Lexington Avenue, Wilmore, Kentucky 40390

Corporate Structure: Not-For-Profit Corporation (Foreign)
Accreditation: Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC)
The Association of Theological Schools (ATS)
Title IV Funding: Yes

Asbury is seeking approval for two new programs. The programs will be offered in a blended format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized sites in Memphis, Tennessee and Wilmore, Kentucky, as well as on-line.

1. **Program:** **Divinity**
Credential Awarded: **Master of Divinity**
Length of Program: **96 Semester Credit Hours**
39 Months Full-Time
120 Months Part-Time

2. **Program:** **Christian Ministries**
Credential Awarded: **Masters of Arts**
Length of Program: **60 Semester Credit Hours**
24 Months Full-Time
84 Months Part-Time

C. Excel Dental Training Institute **Goodlettsville, TN**
907 Rivergate Parkway, Suite E6, Goodlettsville, Tennessee 37072

Corporate Structure: Not-For-Profit Corporation
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

Excel Dental Training Institute is seeking authorization for two new programs. The programs will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided from their authorized site in Goodlettsville, Tennessee.

1. **Program:** **Dental Assisting**
Credential Awarded: **Diploma**
Length of Program: **910 Contact Hours**
8 Months

License/Certification Required for Employment: Registered Dental Assistant
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Health, Board of Dentistry

2. **Program:** **Dental Office Management**
Credential Awarded: **Diploma**
Length of Program: **800 Contact Hours**
8 Months

The institution may not advertise, recruit or enroll students into their programs until a successful site visit has been completed.

The institution has not met the requirements of T.C.A. §49-7-2006, which requires institutions to have adequate equipment to provide students a quality education. However, pursuant to Rule 1540-01-02-.21(1)(d) a new institution has ninety (90) days for initiation of actual operation and enrollment of students.

Within ninety (90) days of the Commission's action, the institution shall present to DPSA evidence of possession and installation of the required program equipment. At the time the institution provides the required items to DPSA, and a successful site visit is conducted by DPSA staff, the institution may begin to advertise, recruit and enroll students into the approved programs.

D. FFP Fireman Fire Protection Inc. Sevierville, TN
2912 Old Newport Highway, Sevierville, Tennessee 37876

Corporate Structure: For-Profit Corporation
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

FFP Fireman Fire Protection Inc. is seeking authorization for ten new programs. The programs will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided from their authorized site in Sevierville, Tennessee.

1. Program: Fixed Fire System Fire Extinguishers Hood Cleaning (FFHC) #4
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 32 Contact Hours
4 Days

License/Certification Required for Employment: Fire Extinguisher Technician License
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance

2. Program: Fixed Fire System Fire Extinguishers Hood Cleaning (FFHC) #5
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 40 Contact Hours
5 Days

License/Certification Required for Employment: Fire Extinguisher Technician License
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance

3. Program: Fixed Fire System Fire Extinguishers Hood Cleaning (FFHC) #6
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 48 Contact Hours
6 Days

License/Certification Required for Employment: Fire Extinguisher Specialist License

Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance

4. **Program:** Fixed Fire System Fire Extinguishers Hood Cleaning Installation (FFHCI) #8
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 64 Contact Hours
8 Days

License/Certification Required for Employment: Fire Extinguisher Specialist License

Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance

5. **Program:** Kitchen Exhaust Hood Cleaning (KEHC) #1
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 8 Contact Hours
1 Day

6. **Program:** Kitchen Exhaust Hood Cleaning (KEHC) #2
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 16 Contact Hours
2 Days

7. **Program:** Kitchen Exhaust Hood Cleaning (KEHC) #3
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 24 Contact Hours
3 Days

8. **Program:** Pre-Engineered Fixed Fire Systems Fire Extinguisher (PEFE) #3
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 24 Contact Hours
3 Days

License/Certification Required for Employment: Fire Extinguisher Technician License

Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance

9. **Program:** Pre-Engineered Fixed Fire Systems Fire Extinguisher (PEFE) #4
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 32 Contact Hours
4 Days

License/Certification Required for Employment: Fire Extinguisher Technician License

Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance

10. Program: Pre-Engineered Fixed Fire Systems Fire Extinguisher Installation (PEFEI) #5
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 40 Contact Hours
5 Days

License/Certification Required for Employment: Fire Extinguisher Technician License
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance

E. HRB Tax Group, Inc. Athens, TN
508 Decatur Pike, Athens, Tennessee 37303

Corporate Structure: C-Corporation
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

HRB Tax Group, Inc. is seeking approval for one new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized site in Athens, Tennessee.

1. Program: H&R Block Introduction to Income Tax Course
Credential Awarded: Certificate
Length of Program: 75 Contact Hours
3.5 Months

F. HRB Tax Group, Inc. Dandridge, TN
1047 B South Highway 92, Dandridge, Tennessee 37725

Corporate Structure: C-Corporation
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

HRB Tax Group, Inc. is seeking approval for one new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized site in Dandridge, Tennessee.

1. Program: H&R Block Introduction to Income Tax Course
Credential Awarded: Certificate
Length of Program: 75 Contact Hours
3.5 Months

G. HRB Tax Group, Inc. Gallatin, TN
650-6B Nashville Pike, Gallatin, Tennessee 37066

Corporate Structure: C-Corporation
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

HRB Tax Group, Inc. is seeking approval for one new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized site in Gallatin, Tennessee.

- 1. Program: H&R Block Introduction to Income Tax Course**
Credential Awarded: Certificate
Length of Program: 75 Contact Hours
3.5 Months

H. HRB Tax Group, Inc. Hendersonville, TN
104 Glen Oaks Blvd., Suite 110, Hendersonville, Tennessee 37075

Corporate Structure: C-Corporation
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

HRB Tax Group, Inc. is seeking approval for one new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized site in Hendersonville, Tennessee.

- 1. Program: H&R Block Introduction to Income Tax Course**
Credential Awarded: Certificate
Length of Program: 75 Contact Hours
3.5 Months

I. HRB Tax Group, Inc. White House, TN
2910 B Highway 31-W, White House, Tennessee 37188

Corporate Structure: C-Corporation
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

HRB Tax Group, Inc. is seeking approval for one new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized site in White House, Tennessee.

- 1. Program: H&R Block Introduction to Income Tax Course**
Credential Awarded: Certificate
Length of Program: 75 Contact Hours
3.5 Months

J. Liberty Tax Service Crossville, TN
94 Woodmere Mall, Crossville, Tennessee 38555

Corporate Structure: C-Corporation
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

Liberty Tax is seeking approval for two new programs. The programs will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized site in Crossville, Tennessee.

1. **Program:** **Basic Income Tax Course**
Credential Awarded: **Certificate**
Length of Program: **60 Contact Hours**
2.5 Months
2. **Program:** **Rapid Tax Class**
Credential Awarded: **Certificate**
Length of Program: **30 Contact Hours**
1 Week

K. Liberty Tax Service

Newport, TN

401 W. Broadway, Newport, Tennessee 37821

Corporate Structure: C-Corporation
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

Liberty Tax is seeking approval for two new programs. The programs will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized site in Newport, Tennessee.

1. **Program:** **Basic Income Tax Course**
Credential Awarded: **Certificate**
Length of Program: **60 Contact Hours**
2.5 Months
2. **Program:** **Rapid Tax Class**
Credential Awarded: **Certificate**
Length of Program: **30 Contact Hours**
1 Week

L. Marian University

Indianapolis, IN

3200 Cold Spring Road, Indianapolis, Indiana 46222

Corporate Structure: Not-For-Profit Corporation
Accreditation: Higher Learning Commission (HLC)
Title IV Funding: Yes

Marian University is seeking authorization for one new program. The program will be offered in a blended format. Instruction will be provided from their authorized site in Nashville, Tennessee, as well as on-line from the Indiana location.

1. **Program:** **Online Accelerated Nursing**
Credential Awarded: **Bachelor of Science**
Length of Program: **100 Semester Credit Hours**

20 Months

License/Certification Required for Employment: Registered Nurse
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Health, Board of Nursing

M. Marian University **Nashville, TN**
4220 Harding Road, Suite 500, Nashville, Tennessee 37205

Corporate Structure: Not-For-Profit Corporation
Accreditation: Higher Learning Commission (HLC)
Title IV Funding: Yes

Marian University is seeking authorization for one new program. The program will be offered in a blended format. Instruction will be provided from their authorized site in Nashville, Tennessee, as well as on-line.

- 1. Program:** Online Accelerated Nursing
Credential Awarded: Bachelor of Science
Length of Program: 100 Semester Credit Hours
20 Months

License/Certification Required for Employment: Registered Nurse
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Health, Board of Nursing

N. North Delta Technical Academy **Memphis, TN**
3955 Whitebrook Drive, Suite 2, Memphis, Tennessee 38118

Corporate Structure: Limited Liability Corporation
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

North Delta Technical Academy is seeking approval for one new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by faculty from their authorized site in Memphis, Tennessee.

- 1. Program:** Nurse Assistant Training Program
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 168 Contact Hours
3 Months

License/Certification Required for Employment: Certified Nurse Aide
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Health

O. Ross Medical Education Center **Johnson City, TN**
3021 E. Oakland Avenue, Johnson City, Tennessee 37601

Corporate Structure: Limited Liability Corporation (LLC)
Accreditation: Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES)
Title IV Funding: Yes

Ross Medical Education Center is seeking authorization for four new programs. The programs will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided from their authorized site in Johnson City, Tennessee.

- 1. Program: Dental Assistant**
Credential Awarded: Diploma
Length of Program: 50.5 Quarter Credit Hours
9 Months

License/Certification Required for Employment: Registered Dental Assistant
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Department of Health, Board of Dentistry

- 2. Program: Medical Assistant**
Credential Awarded: Diploma
Length of Program: 44.5 Quarter Credit Hours
7 Months

- 3. Program: Medical Insurance Billing and Office Administration**
Credential Awarded: Diploma
Length of Program: 52.0 Quarter Credit Hours
7 Months

- 4. Program: Pharmacy Technician**
Credential Awarded: Diploma
Length of Program: 66.5 Quarter Credit Hours
9 Months

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P. The Blackbird Academy

Nashville, TN

2806 Azalea Place, Nashville, Tennessee 37204

Corporate Structure: Limited Liability Corporation
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

The Blackbird Academy is seeking authorization for two new programs. The programs will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided from their authorized site in Nashville, Tennessee.

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| 1. | Program: | Live Sound Engineering |
| | Credential Awarded: | Diploma |
| | Length of Program: | 720 Contact Hours |
| | | 6 Months |

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| 2. | Program: | Studio Engineering |
| | Credential Awarded: | Diploma |
| | Length of Program: | 700 Contact Hours |
| | | 6 Months |