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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MEMORANDUM

To: Members
Joint Committee on Finance

From: Senator Alberta Darling
Representative John Nygren

Date: November 1, 2017

Re: HEAB Report to JFC

Attached is the 2016-17 Annual Status Report for the Academic Excellence Scholarship program from the Higher Educational Aids Board, pursuant to s. 39.41 (7), Stats.

This report is being provided for your information only. No action by the Committee is required. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Attachments

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August 1, 2017

The Honorable Alberta Darling, Co-Chair
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The Honorable John Nygren, Co-Chair
Joint Committee on Finance
State Capitol, Room 309 East
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Senator Darling and Representative Nygren:

Enclosed is the 2016-2017 Annual Status Report for the Academic Excellence Scholarship Program. Submission of this report is in compliance with Section 39.41(7) of the Statutes which requires a yearly report regarding the Academic Excellence Scholarship Program. In addition to presenting final 2016-2017 data, preliminary data is included for the freshmen who will enroll in 2017-2018 as the twenty-eighth class of scholars since the inception of the program.

If you have any questions about this report or about the Academic Excellence Scholarship Program, please feel free to contact me by e-mail at john.reinemann@wi.gov or phone at 267-2206.

Sincerely,

John Reinemann
Executive Secretary

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2016-2017
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
Annual Status Report
August 1, 2017

Eighty-five percent of the freshmen awarded the Academic Excellence Scholarship (AES) in 2016 accepted the scholarship and used it to attend a Wisconsin post secondary institution. The percentage of freshman who used their scholarship is equal to the percentage of last year. While changes in legislation allowed more alternates to receive the scholarship, the required 3.8 grade point for unweighted schools meant other alternates were not eligible and fewer scholarships were awarded. It may be assumed that the procedures for awarding the AES to alternates have maximized the number of scholarships used, and that an average of 85% of scholarships will be accepted by students in upcoming years.

In 2016-2017, 711 freshmen enrolled in a Wisconsin post secondary institution. Total AES funds going to these students were \$784,806 with an average per freshman award of \$1,105.

Six tables are attached, showing final figures for 2016-2017, along with preliminary data for 2017-2018.

- Tables I, II, and III present enrollment by sector (University of Wisconsin, Wisconsin Technical Colleges, and Wisconsin Independent Colleges and Universities.) These figures represent the students who received AES program funds.
- Table IV presents a grand total for the three sectors.
- Table V presents general information such as the number of scholars using their award to attend a Wisconsin college or university.
- Table VI gives preliminary information for 2017-2018 freshmen.

| ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARS UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN INSTITUTIONS 2016-2017 ACADEMIC YEAR | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| | Freshman Scholars | Sophomore Scholars | Junior Scholars | Senior Scholars | Total Scholars | Scholarship Amount |
| Madison | 342 | 330 | 331 | 306 | 1,309 | \$1,417,509 |
| Milwaukee | 17 | 25 | 13 | 14 | 69 | 75,377 |
| Green Bay | 15 | 15 | 7 | 12 | 49 | 53,795 |
| Parkside | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 7,875 |
| UW Colleges | 6 | 15 | 2 | 0 | 23 | 14,068 |
| Eau Claire | 40 | 28 | 29 | 25 | 122 | 131,065 |
| La Crosse | 52 | 52 | 45 | 49 | 198 | 218,815 |
| Oshkosh | 11 | 6 | 20 | 21 | 58 | 62,437 |
| Platteville | 21 | 27 | 23 | 21 | 92 | 95,625 |
| River Falls | 12 | 11 | 8 | 8 | 39 | 41,627 |
| Stevens Point | 17 | 19 | 12 | 14 | 62 | 68,063 |
| Stout | 8 | 12 | 16 | 9 | 45 | 50,625 |
| Superior | 3 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 14 | 15,750 |
| Whitewater | 12 | 28 | 14 | 7 | 61 | 64,690 |
| UW Total | 558 | 571 | 524 | 495 | 2,148 | \$2,317,321 |

| Table II ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARS WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGES 2016-2017 ACADEMIC YEAR | | | | | | |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| | Freshman Scholars | Sophomore Scholars | Junior Scholars | Senior Scholars | Total Scholars | Scholarship Amount |
| Chippewa Valley | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5 | \$5,063 |
| Fox Valley | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3,375 |
| Gateway | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Indianhead | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3,375 |
| Lakeshore | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 2,812 |
| Madison College | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 7,312 |
| MATC-Milwaukee | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 7,312 |
| Mid-State | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1,125 |
| Moraine Park | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1,688 |
| Nicolet | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1,125 |
| Northcentral | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 4,501 |
| Northeast | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3,375 |
| Waukesha | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1,687 |
| Western | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2,250 |
| WTCS Total | 25 | 12 | 5 | 2 | 44 | \$45,000 |
| UW & WTCS Total | 583 | 584 | 529 | 497 | 2,192 | \$2,362,321 |

Note: Tables I and II show actual net spent amounts and the scholars with those net spent amounts.

| Table III | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARS | | | | | | |
| INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES | | | | | | |
| 2016-2017 ACADEMIC YEAR | | | | | | |
| | Freshman Scholars | Sophomore Scholars | Junior Scholars | Senior Scholars | Total Scholars | Scholarship Amount |
| Alverno | 2 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 12 | \$12,376 |
| Bellin | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 3,937 |
| Beloit | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 6,288 |
| Cardinal Stritch | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 7,875 |
| Carroll | 12 | 15 | 17 | 10 | 54 | 59,626 |
| Carthage | 11 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 26 | 28,687 |
| Columbia Nursing | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Concordia | 11 | 10 | 5 | 6 | 32 | 34,876 |
| Edgewood | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 13 | 14,063 |
| Lakeland | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3,375 |
| Lawrence | 8 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 27 | 29,625 |
| Maranatha | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 5,210 |
| Marian | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 5,625 |
| Marquette | 24 | 21 | 32 | 35 | 112 | 120,371 |
| MIAD | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3,234 |
| Mount Mary | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 13 | 14,625 |
| MSOE | 15 | 16 | 9 | 15 | 55 | 64,605 |
| Northland | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3,938 |
| Ripon | 5 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 21 | 24,750 |
| St. Norbert | 15 | 14 | 17 | 14 | 60 | 66,938 |
| Silver Lake | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2,250 |
| Viterbo | 4 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 20 | 22,500 |
| WI Lutheran | 3 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 20 | 22,500 |
| Independent Total | 128 | 121 | 131 | 124 | 504 | \$557,274 |

| Table IV | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARS | | | | | | |
| ALL SECTORS | | | | | | |
| 2016-2017 ACADEMIC YEAR | | | | | | |
| | Freshman Scholars | Sophomore Scholars | Junior Scholars | Senior Scholars | Total Scholars | Scholarship Amount |
| UW | 558 | 571 | 524 | 495 | 2,148 | \$2,317,321 |
| Technical | 25 | 12 | 5 | 2 | 44 | 45,000 |
| Independent | 128 | 121 | 131 | 124 | 504 | 557,274 |
| Grand Total | 711 | 704 | 660 | 621 | 2,696 | \$2,919,595 |

Note: Tables III and IV show actual net spent amounts and the scholars with those net spent amounts.

| Table V | | | | |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| General Scholar Data | | | | |
| | 2013-2014 | 2014-2015 | 2015-2016 | 2016-2017 |
| Total Scholarships Available | 3,482 | 3,484 | 3,426 | 3,494 |
| Total Scholars Enrolled In-State | 2,931 | 2,753 | 2,572 | 2,696 |
| Total Freshman Scholarships Available | 869 | 875 | 875 | 875 |
| Scholars Enrolled as Freshmen in Wisconsin | 769 | 747 | 742 | 711 |
| Alternate Scholarship Recipients | 233 | 210 | 191 | 292 |
| % of Eligible Freshmen Enrolled In-State | 88% | 85% | 85% | 85% |

| Table VI | |
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| Preliminary Data – 2017-2018 Freshman Scholars as of July 28, 2017 | |
| Total Freshman Scholarships Available | 875 |
| Alternate Scholarships (of 875 Available Scholarships) | 99 |
| Total Scholars Enrolled in Wisconsin Institutions | 77 |
| Percentage of Scholars Enrolled in Wisconsin Institutions | 8% |
| Scholars Enrolled in UW System Institutions | 59 |
| Scholars Enrolled in Independent Colleges | 17 |
| Scholars Enrolled in WTCS Institutions | 1 |
| Scholars Enrolled in Out-of-State Institutions | 99 |
| Scholars Who Have Not Yet Specified College Choice | 578 |