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2017-18 AES PROGRAM ANNUAL REPORT



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The Honorable Alberta Darling, Co-Chair
Joint Committee on Finance
State Capitol, Room 317 East
Madison, WI 53707

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 2017-2018 Annual Status Report for the Academic Excellence Scholarship Program. Submission of this report follows Section 39.41(7) of the Statutes which requires a yearly report regarding the Academic Excellence Scholarship Program. In addition to presenting final 2017-2018 data, preliminary data is included for the freshmen who will enroll in 2018-2019 as the twenty-ninth 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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2017-2018
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
Annual Status Report
October 10, 2018

Eighty-four percent of the freshmen awarded the Academic Excellence Scholarship (AES) in 2017 accepted the scholarship and used it to attend a Wisconsin post secondary institution. The percentage of freshman who used their scholarship is less than that 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 2017-2018, 732 freshmen enrolled in a Wisconsin post secondary institution. Total AES funds going to these students were \$811,151 with an average per freshman award of \$1,108.

Six tables are attached, showing final figures for 2017-2018, along with preliminary data for 2018-2019.

- 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 2018-2019 freshmen.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARS UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN INSTITUTIONS 2017-2018 ACADEMIC YEAR						
	Freshman Scholars	Sophomore Scholars	Junior Scholars	Senior Scholars	Total Scholars	Scholarship Amount
Madison	340	328	330	298	1,296	\$1,394,508
Milwaukee	24	18	22	8	72	78,750
Green Bay	12	13	14	7	46	48,338
Parkside	5	2	1	1	9	10,125
UW Colleges	7	6	3	0	16	15,189
Eau Claire	47	41	29	26	143	158,625
La Crosse	63	47	46	42	198	218,815
Oshkosh	9	12	9	18	48	51,751
Platteville	27	22	26	24	99	105,190
River Falls	15	10	10	6	41	43,875
Stevens Point	15	18	16	12	61	65,871
Stout	8	9	12	16	45	47,252
Superior	5	3	2	2	12	12,938
Whitewater	18	10	29	10	67	72,002
UW Total	595	539	549	470	2,153	\$2,323,229

Table II ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARS WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGES 2017-2018 ACADEMIC YEAR						
	Freshman Scholars	Sophomore Scholars	Junior Scholars	Senior Scholars	Total Scholars	Scholarship Amount
Blackhawk	1	0	0	0	1	\$1,125
Chippewa Valley	2	2	2	0	6	6,188
Fox Valley	1	1	0	0	2	2,250
Indianhead	2	1	1	1	5	4,500
Lakeshore	1	2	0	0	3	2,251
Madison College	3	4	0	0	7	7,875
MATC-Milwaukee	1	2	1	0	4	3,938
Mid-State	0	1	0	0	1	1,125
Moraine Park	0	0	1	0	1	1,125
Nicolet	1	0	0	0	1	1,124
Northcentral	1	0	0	0	1	1,125
Northeast	1	4	1	0	6	6,750
Western	0	4	0	0	4	4,500
WTCS Total	14	21	6	1	42	\$43,876
UW & WTCS Total	609	560	555	471	2,195	\$2,367,667

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						
2017-2018 ACADEMIC YEAR						
	Freshman Scholars	Sophomore Scholars	Junior Scholars	Senior Scholars	Total Scholars	Scholarship Amount
Alverno	2	2	1	4	9	\$10,125
Bellin	1	2	1	1	5	5,625
Beloit	1	3	0	1	5	5,625
Cardinal Stritch	1	2	1	3	7	7,875
Carroll	13	12	14	14	53	57,939
Carthage	8	10	6	5	29	32,063
Concordia	10	11	8	4	33	35,999
Edgewood	6	4	1	5	16	16,874
Lakeland	1	1	0	1	3	3,375
Lawrence	5	7	9	2	23	25,500
Maranatha	2	1	1	1	5	5,625
Marian	2	0	1	2	5	5,625
Marquette	30	21	21	33	105	114,747
MIAD	0	0	0	2	2	2,250
Mount Mary	1	3	2	4	10	10,687
MSOE	12	15	17	9	53	58,980
Northland	0	1	1	1	3	3,375
Ripon	6	5	9	4	24	25,875
St. Norbert's	20	14	15	15	64	71,438
Silver Lake	0	1	0	1	2	1,688
Viterbo	8	4	4	6	22	23,907
WI Lutheran	2	3	5	7	17	19,125
Independent Total	131	122	117	125	495	\$544,322

Table IV						
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARS						
ALL SECTORS						
2017-2018 ACADEMIC YEAR						
	Freshman Scholars	Sophomore Scholars	Junior Scholars	Senior Scholars	Total Scholars	Scholarship Amount
UW	595	539	549	470	2,153	\$2,324,354
Technical	14	21	6	1	42	42,751
Independent	131	122	117	125	495	544,322
Grand Total	740	682	672	595	2,689	\$2,911,427

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

Table V				
General Scholar Data				
	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
Total Scholarships Available	3,484	3,426	3,494	3,255
Total Scholars Enrolled In-State	2,753	2,752	2,967	2,691
Total Freshman Scholarships Available	875	875	875	875
Scholars Enrolled as Freshmen in Wisconsin	747	742	740	732
Alternate Scholarship Recipients	207	188	289	222
% of Eligible Freshmen Enrolled In-State	85%	85%	81%	84%

Table VI	
Preliminary Data – 2018-2019 Freshman Scholars as of October 10, 2018	
Total Freshman Scholarships Available	829
Alternate Scholarships (of 829 Available Scholarships)	12
Total Scholars Enrolled in Wisconsin Institutions	535
Percentage of Scholars Enrolled in Wisconsin Institutions	65%
Scholars Enrolled in UW System Institutions	431
Scholars Enrolled in Independent Colleges	88
Scholars Enrolled in WTCS Institutions	16
Scholars Enrolled in Out-of-State Institutions	206
Scholars Who Have Not Yet Specified College Choice	100