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August 1, 2017

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 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

CC: Senator Luther Olsen	Representative Mark Born
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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
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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	
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