

September 8, 1998

MEMORANDUM

TO: Directors of Nursing Programs

FROM: Major M. Boyd
Director, Student Support Services

SUBJECT: **Request for Proposals to Fund Academic Support Services for Nursing Students from Disadvantaged Backgrounds**

As you are aware, the General Assembly has not approved the Community College budget request for the 1998-99 program year. We are very optimistic that they will approve it soon and would like to commence the process of requesting proposals to fund academic support services for nursing students from disadvantaged backgrounds. This early start will enable us to move the process along so that when funds become available, we can make awards early to provide the support and assistance to students. The budgeted amount for this year is \$80,000, which is the same as last year.

In developing your proposals, please remember that these funds are to be used in activities including tutoring, peer counseling, testing materials and other services designed to increase completion rates of disadvantaged nursing students. We do not support the use of these funds to provide financial aid to students. Last year Dr. Teresa Banks, Assoc. Director, Programs, distributed some very timely and helpful information to consider in developing your proposals. She will share that information with you again this year which proved helpful according to the response from many of you in the field.

We will accomplish the awarding of funds through a competitive process, and all funds are to be expended by June 30, 1999. The Division of Academic and Student Services will receive proposals for underwriting a program of activity that will identify and help students in successfully completing ADN and LPN programs.

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You must submit proposals on the attached forms, and all items of the application must be addressed in order for the proposal to be considered for funding. Please remember that funds are limited.

We will evaluate proposals on the probable effectiveness of proposed interventions on student success.

The deadline for proposal submission is October 23, 1998.

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Attachment

pc: Presidents
Deans of Student Services
Deans of Instruction
Dr. Elizabeth Johns

**1998-99 REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR ACADEMIC SERVICES
FOR NURSING STUDENTS FROM DISADVANTAGED BACKGROUNDS**

College _____

Director of Nursing Program(s) _____

1. Outline the method(s) to be employed to identify nursing students whose completion of their academic program is in jeopardy due to academic needs.

2. How many students do you estimate will be served by the proposed intervention(s)?

3. List the proposed intervention(s) to be provided to increase the probability of the students' successful completion of the nursing program.

6. In the event that this proposal is funded, in whole or in part, _____

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Community College agrees to provide the Division of Academic and Student Services with an evaluation of the effectiveness of the proposed intervention(s) on student success.

President's Signature

Director of Nursing Signature

PLEASE RETURN BY OCTOBER 23, 1998, TO:

Dr. Major Boyd

Director, Student Support Services

Division of Academic and Student Services

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