

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
State Financial Aid Allocation for the Targeted Assistance Student Program
FY 2018-19

Request: The State Board is requested to approve \$550,000 in allocations to community colleges for the Targeted Assistance Student Program.

Strategic Plan Reference(s):

Theme: Student Interest and Access

Goal: Increase the percentage of North Carolinians, particularly within underserved populations, pursuing and easily accessing education or training through North Carolina community colleges.

- Objective 1.3. Identify and reduce access barriers for all prospective students, particularly among underserved populations.
 - Strategy 1.3.1. Improve and augment existing financial assistance programs and services to better assist students with educational costs, particularly costs beyond tuition and fees (e.g., books, transportation, child care, etc.).

Background: According to G.S. 115D-40.1(b), the "... State Board may allocate up to ten percent (10%) of the funds appropriated for Financial Assistance for Community College Students to the following students:

- (1) Students who enroll in low-enrollment programs that prepare students for high-demand occupations.
- (2) Students with disabilities who have been referred by the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, and are enrolled in a community college."

In May 2002, the State Board made available \$500,000 a year for allocation for Targeted Assistance for full-time enrolled students in all 58 community colleges. In July 2003, the State Board increased the availability by an additional \$262,806 and included a provision to award these funds for less than half-time enrolled students. In July 2011, the State Board, based on funding availability, reduced the overall funding to \$550,000 and consolidated the two programs into one Targeted Assistance Student Program.

Rationale: The General Assembly appropriates \$16.3 million annually from the Escheat Fund to support financial assistance for community college students. The majority of this appropriation supports the North Carolina Community College Grant Program. Based on an analysis of funding availability and projected North Carolina Community College Grant Program awards, \$550,000 is available in FY 2018-19 to support the Targeted Assistance Student Program awards. According to the college priorities and community needs, this allocation can be used to offer financial assistance for students who 1) enroll in low-enrollment programs that prepare

students for high demand occupations, 2) have disabilities and have been referred by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, or 3) enroll on a less than half-time basis. Each college is allocated a base of \$1,000. The remaining funds are allocated on a pro-rata basis as determined by each college's percentage of total 2016-17 Pell Grant disbursements.

Fund Source and Availability: Funding is contingent on FY 2018-19 appropriations from the General Assembly. Funds are expected to be appropriated from the Escheat Fund.

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**North Carolina Community College System
Targeted Assistance Student Program
FY 2018-19**

Attachment FC 06A

| Community Colleges | Base Allotment | 2016-2017 Federal Pell Grant Disbursements | Percent of Pell Grant | Allotment Based on Percent of Total Disbursements | Total Allocations |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| Alamance CC | \$1,000 | \$6,191,372 | 1.7% | \$8,574 | \$9,574 |
| Asheville-Buncombe TCC | \$1,000 | \$9,592,836 | 2.7% | \$13,284 | \$14,284 |
| Beaufort County CC | \$1,000 | \$1,882,501 | 0.5% | \$2,607 | \$3,607 |
| Bladen CC | \$1,000 | \$2,752,106 | 0.8% | \$3,811 | \$4,811 |
| Blue Ridge CC | \$1,000 | \$2,779,085 | 0.8% | \$3,848 | \$4,848 |
| Brunswick CC | \$1,000 | \$2,200,955 | 0.6% | \$3,048 | \$4,048 |
| Caldwell CC and TI | \$1,000 | \$4,918,768 | 1.4% | \$6,811 | \$7,811 |
| Cape Fear CC | \$1,000 | \$13,239,264 | 3.7% | \$18,334 | \$19,334 |
| Carteret CC | \$1,000 | \$2,849,038 | 0.8% | \$3,945 | \$4,945 |
| Catawba Valley CC | \$1,000 | \$7,151,314 | 2.0% | \$9,903 | \$10,903 |
| Central Carolina CC | \$1,000 | \$7,038,881 | 2.0% | \$9,747 | \$10,747 |
| Central Piedmont CC | \$1,000 | \$27,625,906 | 7.8% | \$38,256 | \$39,256 |
| Cleveland CC | \$1,000 | \$4,775,073 | 1.3% | \$6,612 | \$7,612 |
| Coastal Carolina CC | \$1,000 | \$7,428,878 | 2.1% | \$10,287 | \$11,287 |
| College of the Albemarle | \$1,000 | \$2,739,792 | 0.8% | \$3,794 | \$4,794 |
| Craven CC | \$1,000 | \$4,404,106 | 1.2% | \$6,099 | \$7,099 |
| Davidson County CC | \$1,000 | \$6,860,669 | 1.9% | \$9,501 | \$10,501 |
| Durham TCC | \$1,000 | \$6,665,683 | 1.9% | \$9,231 | \$10,231 |
| Edgecombe CC | \$1,000 | \$5,819,230 | 1.6% | \$8,058 | \$9,058 |
| Fayetteville TCC | \$1,000 | \$23,245,780 | 6.5% | \$32,190 | \$33,190 |
| Forsyth TCC | \$1,000 | \$12,464,275 | 3.5% | \$17,260 | \$18,260 |
| Gaston College | \$1,000 | \$8,609,006 | 2.4% | \$11,922 | \$12,922 |
| Guilford TCC | \$1,000 | \$24,396,217 | 6.9% | \$33,784 | \$34,784 |
| Halifax CC | \$1,000 | \$2,235,319 | 0.6% | \$3,095 | \$4,095 |
| Haywood CC | \$1,000 | \$2,604,286 | 0.7% | \$3,606 | \$4,606 |
| Isothermal CC | \$1,000 | \$2,986,348 | 0.8% | \$4,135 | \$5,135 |
| James Sprunt CC | \$1,000 | \$2,379,369 | 0.7% | \$3,295 | \$4,295 |
| Johnston CC | \$1,000 | \$5,378,683 | 1.5% | \$7,448 | \$8,448 |
| Lenoir CC | \$1,000 | \$4,347,254 | 1.2% | \$6,020 | \$7,020 |
| Martin CC | \$1,000 | \$843,767 | 0.2% | \$1,168 | \$2,168 |
| Mayland CC | \$1,000 | \$1,479,558 | 0.4% | \$2,049 | \$3,049 |
| McDowell TCC | \$1,000 | \$1,466,433 | 0.4% | \$2,031 | \$3,031 |
| Mitchell CC | \$1,000 | \$3,990,762 | 1.1% | \$5,526 | \$6,526 |
| Montgomery CC | \$1,000 | \$1,032,428 | 0.3% | \$1,430 | \$2,430 |
| Nash CC | \$1,000 | \$5,461,927 | 1.5% | \$7,564 | \$8,564 |
| Pamlico CC | \$1,000 | \$691,074 | 0.2% | \$957 | \$1,957 |
| Piedmont CC | \$1,000 | \$1,956,309 | 0.6% | \$2,709 | \$3,709 |
| Pitt CC | \$1,000 | \$18,369,795 | 5.2% | \$25,438 | \$26,438 |
| Randolph CC | \$1,000 | \$4,683,124 | 1.3% | \$6,485 | \$7,485 |
| Richmond CC | \$1,000 | \$5,502,612 | 1.5% | \$7,620 | \$8,620 |
| Roanoke-Chowan CC | \$1,000 | \$1,663,593 | 0.5% | \$2,304 | \$3,304 |
| Robeson CC | \$1,000 | \$4,540,297 | 1.3% | \$6,287 | \$7,287 |
| Rockingham CC | \$1,000 | \$2,559,162 | 0.7% | \$3,544 | \$4,544 |
| Rowan-Cabarrus CC | \$1,000 | \$9,684,002 | 2.7% | \$13,410 | \$14,410 |
| Sampson CC | \$1,000 | \$2,471,306 | 0.7% | \$3,422 | \$4,422 |
| Sandhills CC | \$1,000 | \$4,902,102 | 1.4% | \$6,788 | \$7,788 |
| South Piedmont CC | \$1,000 | \$2,810,489 | 0.8% | \$3,892 | \$4,892 |
| Southeastern CC | \$1,000 | \$2,513,984 | 0.7% | \$3,481 | \$4,481 |
| Southwestern CC | \$1,000 | \$3,579,913 | 1.0% | \$4,957 | \$5,957 |
| Stanly CC | \$1,000 | \$4,371,189 | 1.2% | \$6,053 | \$7,053 |
| Surry CC | \$1,000 | \$2,390,159 | 0.7% | \$3,310 | \$4,310 |
| Tri-County CC | \$1,000 | \$1,872,504 | 0.5% | \$2,593 | \$3,593 |
| Vance-Granville CC | \$1,000 | \$4,295,997 | 1.2% | \$5,949 | \$6,949 |
| Wake TCC | \$1,000 | \$30,614,691 | 8.6% | \$42,395 | \$43,395 |
| Wayne CC | \$1,000 | \$5,189,414 | 1.5% | \$7,186 | \$8,186 |
| Western Piedmont CC | \$1,000 | \$3,250,007 | 0.9% | \$4,501 | \$5,501 |
| Wilkes CC | \$1,000 | \$4,533,320 | 1.3% | \$6,278 | \$7,278 |
| Wilson CC | \$1,000 | \$3,007,212 | 0.8% | \$4,168 | \$5,168 |
| TOTAL | \$58,000 | \$355,289,124 | 100.0% | \$492,000 | \$550,000 |

NOTE: Targeted Assistance Student Program funding is calculated by dividing the total of the federal Pell Grant disbursements for all community colleges (\$355,289,124) by the amount received by each college. The percentage is used to distribute \$492,000 with an additional \$1,000 base added to each college distribution.