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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 2018-2019 Annual Status Report for the Technical Excellence Scholarship Program. Submission of this report follows Section 39.415(8) of the Statutes which requires a yearly report regarding the Technical Excellence Scholarship Program. In addition to presenting final 2018-2019 data, preliminary data is included for the freshmen who will enroll in 2019-2020 as the fifth class of scholars since the inception of the program.

If you have any questions about this report or about the Technical Excellence Scholarship Program, please feel free to contact me by e-mail at [connie.hutchison@wi.gov](mailto:connie.hutchison@wi.gov) or phone at 267-2206.

Sincerely,

Connie Hutchison, PhD  
Executive Secretary

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**2018-2019**  
**TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**  
**Annual Status Report**  
**August 20, 2019**

Seventy-six percent of the freshmen awarded the Technical Excellence Scholarship (TES) in 2018 accepted the scholarship and used it to attend a Wisconsin Technical College. The Technical Excellence Scholarship was available for the first time during the 2015-2016 academic year with 348 Wisconsin high schools participating.

In 2018-2019, 538 freshmen enrolled in a Wisconsin Technical college. Total TES funds going to these students was \$540,387 with an average per freshman award of \$1,004.

Three tables are attached, showing final figures for 2018-2019, along with preliminary data for 2019-2020.

- Table I presents enrollment by individual Wisconsin Technical College. These figures represent the students who received TES program funds.
- Table II presents General Scholar Data for the first three years of the Technical Excellence Scholarship.
- Table III gives preliminary information for 2019-2020 freshmen.

**TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARS  
WISCONSIN TECHNICAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES  
2018-2019 ACADEMIC YEAR**

	Freshman Scholars	Sophomore Scholars	Junior Scholars	Total Scholars	Scholarship Amount
Blackhawk	23	10	4	37	36,013
Chippewa Valley	48	20	3	71	74,815
Fox Valley	75	38	10	123	124,316
Gateway	25	13	8	46	49,502
Lakeshore	16	6	1	23	23,627
Madison College	58	23	10	91	93,348
MATC-Milwaukee	34	17	3	54	52,878
Mid-State	13	10	2	25	27,563
Moraine Park	22	8	1	31	33,750
Nicolet	8	2	1	11	9,564
Northcentral	28	18	6	52	52,878
Northeast WI	48	22	7	77	78,927
Southwest WI	28	10	3	41	44,439
Waukesha	50	22	2	74	42,787
Western	32	16	5	53	57,377
WI Indianhead	30	21	10	61	64,880
<b>Total</b>	538	256	76	870	866,664

Note: Table I shows actual net spent amounts and the scholars with those net spent amounts.

<b>Table II</b>				
<b>General Scholar Data</b>				
	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019
Total Scholarships Available	875	875	875	1,909
Total Scholars Enrolled In-State	483	711	784	870
Total Freshman Scholarships Available	875	875	875	701
Scholars Enrolled as Freshmen in Wisconsin	483	493	484	538
Alternate Scholarship Recipients	27	19	7	7
% of Eligible Freshmen Enrolled In-State	55%	56%	55%	76%

<b>Table III</b>	
<b>Preliminary Data – 2019-2020 Freshman Scholars as of August 20, 2019</b>	
Total Freshman Scholarships Available	701
Alternate Scholarships (of 701 Available Scholarships)	7
Total Scholars Enrolled in Wisconsin Institutions	434
Percentage of Scholars Enrolled in Wisconsin Institutions	62%
Scholars Enrolled in Out-of-State Institutions	16
Scholars Who Have Not Yet Specified College Choice	251