HIGHER EDUCATIONAL AIDS BOARD BOARD REPORT #25-10

25-26 WI Grant Formula Technical Colleges Request



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Tammie DeVooght-Blaney, Executive Secretary Higher Educational Aids Board P.O. Box 7885 Madison, WI 53707-7885

Dear Executive Secretary DeVooght-Blaney:

I am submitting to you the Wisconsin Technical College System's (WTCS) recommendation for the 2025-26 Wisconsin Grant awards.

For 2025-26, we recommend the maximum of \$1,752 and minimum of \$500 awards for eligible WTCS students. The recommendation also includes a second-tier award if additional funds are available. In the second tier, the pool of eligible students with an expected family contribution of \$6,693 to \$8,000 would be provided with an award amount of \$500. This will ensure that all enrolled and eligible students receive the financial assistance available which will help alleviate debt and assist students in earning a credential sooner. These recommended levels are unchanged from the previous academic year.

I would like to thank you and your staff for providing information which assisted in developing this recommendation. We are pleased to offer this recommendation for consideration by the Board.

Sincerely,

Layla Merrifield President

PROPOSED RECOMMENDED 2025-2026 FORMULA

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Recommendation of the Wisconsin Technical College System President Layla Merrifield:

 $($9,270 - SAI) \times 18.9\% = Award$

(<u>Student Budget</u> – <u>Student Aid Index</u>) x <u>Student Award Percentage</u> = <u>Award</u>

Maximum Award: \$1,752 Minimum Award: \$500

Second tier award if funds are available for students with an SAI of \$6,693 to \$8,000 an award of \$500.00.

(See attached letter)

Current Formula:

 $($9,270 - SAI) \times 18.9\% = Award$

(<u>Student Budget</u> – <u>Student Aid Index</u>) x <u>Student Award Percentage</u> = <u>Award</u> Maximum Award:

\$1,752 Minimum Award: \$500