



Arkansas Department of Higher Education

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Governor

Shane Broadway
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December 1, 2014

The Honorable Robert Thompson, Chair
The Honorable Mark Perry, Chair
Arkansas Lottery Commission Legislative Oversight Committee
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Thompson and Representative Perry:

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated 6-85-219(b) the Arkansas Department of Higher Education recommends reducing the minimum semester hours required to six (6) hours, and twelve (12) hours per academic year and that awards be processed on a per semester hour rate based on the student enrolled semester hours per semester.

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated 6-85-219(c) the Arkansas Department of Higher Education reports full compliance of Arkansas Code Annotated 6-85-216 by all approved institutions of higher education. Each approved institution of higher education that received state supported financial assistance has fully complied with Arkansas Code Annotated 6-85-216.

Please find attached the Departments Annual report on the Academic Challenge Scholarship Program as required by Arkansas Code Annotated 6-85-219 (2)(e)

If I may be of further assistance or if you need additional information please feel free to call me.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Shane Broadway".

Director

Arkansas Department of Higher Education



Arkansas Lottery Commission
Legislative Oversight Committee
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**Arkansas Department of Higher Education
Academic Challenge Scholarship Program
Annual Report
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Demographics
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Category	Awards	Male	Female	Native American/Native Alaskan	Asian/Pacific Islander	Black	Hispanic	White	2 or More Races
Non-Traditional	1,854	680	1,174	34	46	300	102	1,344	28
Traditional	12,687	5,289	7,398	160	254	1,749	678	9,714	132
Summary	14,541	5,969	8,572	194	300	2,049	780	11,058	160

Category	Awards	Average High School GPA	Average ACT	Average College GPA	Amount Paid	Average Parent Income
Non-Traditional	1,854	3.03	22.0	3.06	\$4,674,755	\$28,415
Traditional	12,687	3.38	22.6	2.87	\$23,422,343	\$77,944
Summary	14,541	3.36	22.5	2.90	\$28,097,098	\$72,058

**Arkansas Department of Higher Education
Academic Challenge Scholarship Program
Year End Status by County
Fiscal 2014**

Applicant County	Year End Status	Applicant Count	Amount Paid	Average Parent Income	Average Attempted Hours	Average Earned Hours
Arkansas	Retained	78	\$156,500	\$76,522	28.9	28.7
	Not Retained	38	\$66,000	\$50,262	27.5	20.3
Ashley	Retained	63	\$126,750	\$56,752	29.8	29.5
	Not Retained	32	\$59,000	\$92,886	26.7	21.2
Baxter	Retained	115	\$239,875	\$58,578	30.0	29.7
	Not Retained	55	\$92,750	\$70,000	26.4	19.1
Benton	Retained	679	\$1,395,750	\$110,287	29.0	28.7
	Not Retained	375	\$600,810	\$90,459	26.1	20.4
Boone	Retained	129	\$260,875	\$63,408	29.7	29.5
	Not Retained	79	\$122,750	\$66,283	26.0	20.0
Bradley	Retained	21	\$42,625	\$67,253	29.1	29.1
	Not Retained	33	\$58,625	\$25,990	27.3	21.2
Calhoun	Retained	19	\$42,500	\$56,531	29.8	29.4
	Not Retained	6	\$10,000	\$115,824	27.5	20.5
Carroll	Retained	53	\$109,000	\$53,091	29.6	29.3
	Not Retained	29	\$43,000	\$37,290	25.5	17.9
Chicot	Retained	24	\$48,192	\$74,927	30.4	30.1
	Not Retained	15	\$27,000	\$19,576	25.5	21.0
Clark	Retained	67	\$137,811	\$71,303	30.0	29.5
	Not Retained	60	\$106,500	\$43,663	25.9	19.2
Clay	Retained	29	\$61,375	\$68,377	29.5	29.2
	Not Retained	18	\$29,000	\$31,912	26.4	22.1
Cleburne	Retained	87	\$178,000	\$76,666	29.4	29.1
	Not Retained	53	\$91,000	\$47,192	25.4	22.2
Cleveland	Retained	38	\$77,125	\$73,544	29.2	28.6
	Not Retained	14	\$21,250	\$45,929	22.5	14.9
Columbia	Retained	59	\$124,500	\$67,510	29.7	29.3
	Not Retained	56	\$95,625	\$34,776	26.8	20.1
Conway	Retained	64	\$131,500	\$62,275	29.7	29.3
	Not Retained	48	\$81,500	\$35,818	28.1	18.9
Craighead	Retained	352	\$733,125	\$86,967	29.1	28.9
	Not Retained	177	\$307,625	\$56,605	24.6	19.6
Crawford	Retained	229	\$479,000	\$68,811	29.4	29.1
	Not Retained	153	\$256,250	\$51,849	24.9	18.8
Crittenden	Retained	122	\$239,000	\$71,207	28.7	28.2
	Not Retained	145	\$222,235	\$39,024	25.8	20.2
Cross	Retained	64	\$129,000	\$67,354	29.3	28.8
	Not Retained	44	\$71,625	\$45,978	23.2	19.2

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Applicant County	Year End Status	Applicant Count	Amount Paid	Average Parent Income	Average Attempted Hours	Average Earned Hours
Dallas	Retained	24	\$49,750	\$56,863	29.7	29.3
	Not Retained	11	\$21,000	\$28,051	28.1	22.9
Desha	Retained	34	\$74,875	\$59,725	30.2	30.0
	Not Retained	23	\$44,750	\$29,609	26.7	20.1
Drew	Retained	59	\$123,471	\$74,385	30.1	29.5
	Not Retained	25	\$45,250	\$43,851	27.0	19.9
Faulkner	Retained	440	\$937,099	\$94,241	29.5	29.1
	Not Retained	278	\$489,625	\$72,829	25.6	20.3
Franklin	Retained	81	\$163,500	\$51,999	29.3	28.4
	Not Retained	36	\$60,625	\$46,300	27.9	20.4
Fulton	Retained	38	\$75,000	\$46,440	29.5	29.3
	Not Retained	24	\$38,375	\$35,922	27.0	18.3
Garland	Retained	296	\$611,416	\$76,221	30.1	29.6
	Not Retained	145	\$241,625	\$41,649	27.6	21.0
Grant	Retained	61	\$131,500	\$67,611	30.4	29.8
	Not Retained	27	\$47,500	\$64,853	26.5	19.4
Greene	Retained	173	\$358,505	\$65,669	29.1	28.7
	Not Retained	62	\$115,500	\$43,697	26.0	20.6
Hempstead	Retained	56	\$111,000	\$37,517	29.9	29.5
	Not Retained	52	\$81,625	\$22,817	26.3	21.9
Hot Spring	Retained	125	\$258,923	\$60,980	30.2	29.8
	Not Retained	53	\$91,673	\$46,523	27.1	22.2
Howard	Retained	38	\$76,500	\$66,596	29.8	29.5
	Not Retained	23	\$33,750	\$39,951	26.2	20.1
Independence	Retained	133	\$275,000	\$133,739	29.2	28.7
	Not Retained	65	\$114,500	\$55,795	27.1	20.1
Izard	Retained	28	\$53,500	\$51,957	30.0	29.3
	Not Retained	21	\$33,000	\$33,430	26.9	19.7
Jackson	Retained	40	\$90,000	\$63,503	29.4	29.4
	Not Retained	26	\$43,000	\$43,510	25.5	20.8
Jefferson	Retained	199	\$404,662	\$65,793	29.5	29.0
	Not Retained	127	\$208,500	\$53,344	26.4	20.2
Johnson	Retained	109	\$228,750	\$69,747	30.0	29.4
	Not Retained	37	\$59,750	\$31,746	27.4	19.3
Lafayette	Retained	15	\$32,000	\$33,638	31.0	30.6
	Not Retained	19	\$30,000	\$16,687	29.1	22.5
Lawrence	Retained	56	\$109,500	\$52,857	30.1	29.5
	Not Retained	36	\$58,457	\$43,458	25.6	18.0

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Lee	Retained	24	\$48,000	\$61,282	28.7	28.2
	Not Retained	19	\$30,750	\$55,369	26.5	21.1
Lincoln	Retained	27	\$54,962	\$69,617	30.7	30.0
	Not Retained	17	\$31,750	\$35,994	29.0	23.4
Little River	Retained	43	\$82,500	\$68,179	28.6	28.1
	Not Retained	24	\$36,500	\$49,962	23.3	21.7
Logan	Retained	107	\$221,500	\$62,639	29.7	29.0
	Not Retained	46	\$74,000	\$36,462	25.6	20.0
Lonoke	Retained	285	\$588,125	\$75,886	29.6	29.3
	Not Retained	144	\$239,375	\$58,060	24.4	19.1
Madison	Retained	42	\$85,000	\$62,354	29.7	29.0
	Not Retained	30	\$47,000	\$57,916	23.4	18.5
Marion	Retained	32	\$67,375	\$63,939	29.6	29.2
	Not Retained	25	\$38,000	\$43,631	27.8	20.8
Miller	Retained	90	\$189,500	\$59,024	29.9	29.6
	Not Retained	43	\$72,750	\$49,864	26.5	21.6
Mississippi	Retained	106	\$211,250	\$58,560	29.0	28.3
	Not Retained	79	\$138,000	\$48,911	26.8	20.1
Monroe	Retained	19	\$36,654	\$48,786	30.6	30.3
	Not Retained	13	\$23,000	\$14,035	26.0	20.1
Montgomery	Retained	28	\$55,000	\$70,329	30.3	29.3
	Not Retained	17	\$26,000	\$41,252	27.0	20.6
Nevada	Retained	24	\$51,750	\$60,680	29.6	29.5
	Not Retained	22	\$38,000	\$30,976	23.3	16.1
Newton	Retained	25	\$48,750	\$49,295	30.0	29.7
	Not Retained	14	\$19,000	\$33,887	23.0	15.3
Ouachita	Retained	90	\$185,250	\$72,698	30.3	29.6
	Not Retained	54	\$91,750	\$32,223	25.2	20.1
Perry	Retained	35	\$70,487	\$44,513	29.8	29.2
	Not Retained	34	\$57,250	\$55,468	28.1	20.4
Phillips	Retained	56	\$111,750	\$45,627	29.4	29.1
	Not Retained	54	\$96,000	\$21,333	26.7	21.9
Pike	Retained	39	\$76,250	\$69,270	29.9	29.1
	Not Retained	35	\$51,875	\$24,984	25.3	21.4
Poinsett	Retained	76	\$156,406	\$49,010	29.2	28.8
	Not Retained	48	\$72,750	\$39,155	26.5	21.0
Polk	Retained	68	\$139,750	\$37,289	30.5	29.7
	Not Retained	39	\$65,250	\$43,011	28.7	19.0

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Pope	Retained	224	\$484,625	\$79,954	30.2	29.4
	Not Retained	112	\$181,000	\$53,186	27.9	17.5
Prairie	Retained	29	\$59,000	\$54,824	29.6	29.4
	Not Retained	16	\$27,250	\$29,385	25.4	19.5
Pulaski	Retained	1,123	\$2,368,246	\$108,962	29.2	28.8
	Not Retained	646	\$1,134,088	\$61,731	26.1	20.7
Randolph	Retained	60	\$122,477	\$54,323	29.0	28.8
	Not Retained	24	\$40,750	\$45,424	28.5	21.8
Saline	Retained	447	\$924,836	\$80,499	29.3	28.9
	Not Retained	194	\$342,375	\$59,627	25.7	20.2
Scott	Retained	36	\$76,000	\$36,624	29.3	29.3
	Not Retained	23	\$39,000	\$31,747	28.3	20.5
Searcy	Retained	28	\$54,000	\$49,533	29.5	29.1
	Not Retained	19	\$32,500	\$31,200	26.0	17.5
Sebastian	Retained	457	\$1,003,688	\$71,728	29.1	28.8
	Not Retained	221	\$389,625	\$67,597	25.1	19.1
Sevier	Retained	57	\$112,000	\$52,032	30.9	31.0
	Not Retained	50	\$72,250	\$34,738	23.2	19.7
Sharp	Retained	42	\$83,750	\$36,307	30.1	29.7
	Not Retained	36	\$57,000	\$32,688	28.3	19.5
St. Francis	Retained	53	\$113,625	\$38,583	29.2	28.9
	Not Retained	43	\$69,625	\$32,597	24.9	19.0
Stone	Retained	44	\$87,750	\$53,283	29.8	29.5
	Not Retained	18	\$26,750	\$34,973	30.1	21.8
Union	Retained	129	\$264,375	\$65,019	29.6	29.3
	Not Retained	100	\$169,250	\$45,271	25.0	19.2
Van Buren	Retained	33	\$69,000	\$58,842	29.6	29.1
	Not Retained	20	\$32,500	\$40,102	24.3	16.2
Washington	Retained	549	\$1,152,875	\$90,677	28.7	28.5
	Not Retained	346	\$577,000	\$85,425	24.7	19.8
White	Retained	276	\$558,500	\$80,530	29.5	29.1
	Not Retained	142	\$227,250	\$75,000	25.0	19.4
Woodruff	Retained	19	\$39,375	\$63,656	28.2	27.8
	Not Retained	9	\$16,000	\$39,779	24.4	18.1
Yell	Retained	70	\$158,250	\$55,831	30.9	29.9
	Not Retained	41	\$67,250	\$38,738	29.5	18.1
Not Reported	Not Reported	14	\$33,500	\$83,497	30.3	29.9
	Not Retained	1	\$2,000	\$42,050	30.0	30.0
Summary		14,541	\$28,097,098	\$72,058	28.4	26.5

**Arkansas Department of Higher Education
Academic Challenge Scholarship Program
Year End Status by College and University
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College	Year End Status	Awards	Amount Paid	Average Attempted Hours	Average Earned Hours
Arkansas Baptist College	Retained	18	\$41,250	26.4	26.2
	Not Retained	10	\$14,750	27.7	22.3
Arkansas Northeastern College	Retained	42	\$77,750	29.2	27.6
	Not Retained	44	\$64,000	26.4	19.1
Arkansas State University Beebe	Retained	320	\$605,000	29.2	28.9
	Not Retained	255	\$387,000	24.0	19.2
Arkansas State University Jonesboro	Retained	1,034	\$2,155,250	29.4	29.2
	Not Retained	363	\$619,250	24.8	19.9
Arkansas State University Mountain Home	Retained	96	\$182,500	29.9	29.4
	Not Retained	56	\$79,000	26.8	19.4
Arkansas State University Newport	Retained	96	\$173,156	28.8	28.4
	Not Retained	72	\$112,000	24.3	18.6
Arkansas Tech University	Retained	759	\$1,605,445	31.0	29.5
	Not Retained	379	\$641,627	30.2	18.5
Arkansas Tech University Ozark Campus	Retained	62	\$106,500	27.3	26.2
	Not Retained	45	\$63,500	24.7	15.7
Baptist Health Schools - Little Rock	Retained	9	\$15,500	30.4	30.4
	Not Retained	12	\$15,250	25.4	24.0
Black River Technical College	Retained	81	\$138,857	28.0	27.4
	Not Retained	58	\$87,750	25.8	18.8
Central Baptist College	Retained	72	\$155,250	29.4	29.2
	Not Retained	24	\$47,500	24.2	19.9
College of the Ouachitas	Retained	35	\$62,509	28.2	28.2
	Not Retained	30	\$40,673	25.1	21.4
Cossatot Community College UA	Retained	66	\$117,750	28.2	28.2
	Not Retained	68	\$93,750	21.4	19.2
Crowley's Ridge College	Retained	8	\$16,000	31.1	31.1
	Not Retained	5	\$8,000	28.7	24.3
East Arkansas Community College	Retained	49	\$92,250	28.5	28.1
	Not Retained	45	\$69,500	24.3	19.7
Ecclesia College	Retained	14	\$28,000	16.4	15.4
	Not Retained	13	\$21,375	17.3	9.6
Harding University	Retained	191	\$389,875	30.3	29.8
	Not Retained	49	\$77,500	29.9	24.6
Henderson State University	Retained	324	\$703,125	30.7	30.2
	Not Retained	218	\$379,625	27.4	21.8

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Hendrix College	Retained	114	\$238,500	33.1	32.9
	Not Retained	28	\$51,000	33.1	28.0
John Brown University	Retained	105	\$233,125	29.1	29.0
	Not Retained	26	\$48,000	26.0	23.7
Lyon College	Retained	83	\$171,000	29.8	29.5
	Not Retained	51	\$94,500	29.7	24.0
Mid South Community College	Retained	26	\$44,000	28.4	28.0
	Not Retained	64	\$75,250	22.0	16.1
National Park Community College	Retained	97	\$175,000	28.7	28.0
	Not Retained	82	\$111,250	29.1	20.8
North Arkansas College	Retained	129	\$242,250	29.1	29.0
	Not Retained	101	\$137,000	24.8	16.7
Northwest Arkansas Community College	Retained	307	\$540,500	26.8	26.4
	Not Retained	347	\$489,250	24.7	18.5
Ouachita Baptist University	Retained	173	\$344,000	31.7	31.7
	Not Retained	45	\$77,000	27.6	21.6
Ozarka College	Retained	49	\$90,250	29.1	28.5
	Not Retained	42	\$61,750	28.0	19.2
Philander Smith College	Retained	21	\$47,875	31.3	31.1
	Not Retained	7	\$17,875	23.7	18.0
Phillips Community College UA	Retained	62	\$114,750	28.6	28.5
	Not Retained	36	\$57,750	26.8	20.1
Pulaski Technical College	Retained	275	\$495,500	26.7	27.0
	Not Retained	174	\$260,250	21.5	18.5
Rich Mountain Community College	Retained	32	\$58,750	29.4	28.9
	Not Retained	25	\$37,000	28.2	17.2
Shorter College	Retained	1	\$1,750	79.0	79.0
South Arkansas Community College	Retained	35	\$60,250	27.0	26.6
	Not Retained	38	\$54,000	22.0	17.2
Southeast Arkansas College	Retained	38	\$57,000	24.7	25.3
	Not Retained	39	\$52,250	21.4	16.1
Southern Arkansas University	Retained	285	\$594,375	31.1	30.7
	Not Retained	143	\$252,625	27.8	20.9
Southern Arkansas University Tech	Retained	43	\$84,500	29.8	29.3
	Not Retained	37	\$57,500	22.5	15.8
University of Arkansas at Monticello College of Technology - Crossett	Retained	8	\$15,500	30.8	30.8
	Not Retained	12	\$21,000	27.1	24.4

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College	Year End Status	Awards	Amount Paid	Average Attempted Hours	Average Earned Hours
University of Arkansas at Monticello College of Technology - McGehee	Not Retained	5	\$9,000	30.4	23.6
University of Arkansas Community College Batesville	Retained	90	\$168,500	28.8	28.2
	Not Retained	71	\$107,750	26.8	19.3
University of Arkansas Community College Hope	Retained	57	\$108,000	28.4	28.3
	Not Retained	68	\$99,000	24.4	20.5
University of Arkansas Community College Morrilton	Retained	121	\$226,000	28.6	28.2
	Not Retained	146	\$235,750	26.5	19.6
University of Arkansas Fayetteville	Retained	1,434	\$2,994,246	29.1	29.0
	Not Retained	581	\$1,006,875	24.5	21.1
University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences	Retained	16	\$55,250	28.5	27.5
	Not Retained	2	\$6,250	28.0	28.0
University of Arkansas Fort Smith	Retained	604	\$1,307,750	28.8	28.6
	Not Retained	351	\$590,750	25.0	18.6
University of Arkansas Little Rock	Retained	403	\$922,404	29.3	27.8
	Not Retained	222	\$368,875	27.4	19.2
University of Arkansas Monticello	Retained	195	\$395,353	29.7	29.2
	Not Retained	153	\$262,375	27.0	21.3
University of Arkansas Pine Bluff	Retained	117	\$236,900	30.2	29.9
	Not Retained	59	\$95,000	27.9	21.3
University of Central Arkansas	Retained	1,053	\$2,161,340	29.8	29.6
	Not Retained	753	\$1,317,588	26.3	21.1
University of the Ozarks	Retained	62	\$120,500	31.6	30.9
	Not Retained	28	\$49,500	29.2	24.7
Williams Baptist College	Retained	78	\$152,500	30.2	30.2
	Not Retained	30	\$47,500	25.9	23.8
Summary		14,541	\$28,097,098	28.4	26.5

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Academic Challenge Scholarship Program Traditional Student
Applications and Awards by County
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Applicant County	County Population	% County Population	12 Grade Enrollment	% 12th Grade Enrollment	2015 Applications	% 2015 Application	% of Enrollment Applied	# Awards	% Awards
Arkansas	19,019	0.65%	215	0.68%	158	0.8%	0.81%	90	0.72%
Ashley	21,853	0.75%	234	0.74%	159	0.8%	0.81%	103	0.83%
Baxter	41,513	1.42%	340	1.07%	155	0.8%	0.79%	113	0.91%
Benton	221,339	7.59%	2,616	8.27%	1,389	7.1%	7.10%	902	7.24%
Boone	36,903	1.27%	405	1.28%	211	1.1%	1.08%	143	1.15%
Bradley	11,508	0.39%	135	0.43%	104	0.5%	0.53%	46	0.37%
Calhoun	5,368	0.18%	40	0.13%	28	0.1%	0.14%	23	0.18%
Carroll	27,446	0.94%	239	0.76%	178	0.9%	0.91%	83	0.67%
Chicot	11,800	0.40%	100	0.32%	56	0.3%	0.29%	32	0.26%
Clark	22,995	0.79%	183	0.58%	154	0.8%	0.79%	110	0.88%
Clay	16,083	0.55%	192	0.61%	89	0.5%	0.45%	64	0.51%
Cleburne	25,970	0.89%	228	0.72%	172	0.9%	0.88%	108	0.87%
Cleveland	8,689	0.30%	105	0.33%	62	0.3%	0.32%	44	0.35%
Columbia	24,552	0.84%	263	0.83%	153	0.8%	0.78%	103	0.83%
Conway	21,273	0.73%	205	0.65%	130	0.7%	0.66%	77	0.62%
Craighead	96,443	3.31%	1,001	3.16%	645	3.3%	3.30%	454	3.65%
Crawford	61,948	2.12%	855	2.70%	630	3.2%	3.22%	340	2.73%
Crittenden	50,902	1.75%	689	2.18%	392	2.0%	2.00%	197	1.58%
Cross	17,870	0.61%	254	0.80%	102	0.5%	0.52%	75	0.60%
Dallas	8,116	0.28%	66	0.21%	56	0.3%	0.29%	42	0.34%
Desha	13,008	0.45%	162	0.51%	64	0.3%	0.33%	42	0.34%
Drew	18,509	0.63%	184	0.58%	113	0.6%	0.58%	85	0.68%
Faulkner	113,237	3.88%	1,232	3.89%	870	4.4%	4.45%	643	5.16%
Franklin	18,125	0.62%	234	0.74%	158	0.8%	0.81%	107	0.86%
Fulton	12,245	0.42%	140	0.44%	93	0.5%	0.48%	57	0.46%
Garland	96,024	3.29%	972	3.07%	584	3.0%	2.99%	414	3.32%
Grant	17,853	0.61%	315	1.00%	107	0.5%	0.55%	78	0.63%
Greene	42,090	1.44%	474	1.50%	270	1.4%	1.38%	197	1.58%
Hempstead	22,609	0.78%	242	0.76%	182	0.9%	0.93%	85	0.68%
Hot Spring	32,923	1.13%	404	1.28%	235	1.2%	1.20%	171	1.37%
Howard	13,789	0.47%	209	0.66%	126	0.6%	0.64%	82	0.66%
Independence	36,647	1.26%	403	1.27%	275	1.4%	1.41%	171	1.37%
Izard	13,696	0.47%	125	0.39%	92	0.5%	0.47%	64	0.51%
Jackson	17,997	0.62%	142	0.45%	106	0.5%	0.54%	56	0.45%

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Jefferson	77,435	2.66%	838	2.65%	416	2.1%	2.13%	273	2.19%
Johnson	25,540	0.88%	240	0.76%	154	0.8%	0.79%	92	0.74%
Lafayette	7,645	0.26%	39	0.12%	37	0.2%	0.19%	30	0.24%
Lawrence	17,415	0.60%	222	0.70%	135	0.7%	0.69%	82	0.66%
Lee	10,424	0.36%	67	0.21%	58	0.3%	0.30%	30	0.24%
Lincoln	14,134	0.48%	111	0.35%	60	0.3%	0.31%	43	0.35%
Little River	13,171	0.45%	161	0.51%	95	0.5%	0.49%	55	0.44%
Logan	22,353	0.77%	243	0.77%	191	1.0%	0.98%	126	1.01%
Lonoke	68,356	2.34%	958	3.03%	530	2.7%	2.71%	366	2.94%
Madison	15,717	0.54%	146	0.46%	93	0.5%	0.48%	60	0.48%
Marion	16,653	0.57%	132	0.42%	91	0.5%	0.47%	40	0.32%
Miller	43,462	1.49%	434	1.37%	215	1.1%	1.10%	137	1.10%
Mississippi	46,480	1.59%	520	1.64%	385	2.0%	1.97%	166	1.33%
Monroe	8,149	0.28%	83	0.26%	44	0.2%	0.22%	30	0.24%
Montgomery	9,487	0.33%	73	0.23%	47	0.2%	0.24%	28	0.22%
Nevada	8,997	0.31%	95	0.30%	80	0.4%	0.41%	39	0.31%
Newton	8,330	0.29%	96	0.30%	53	0.3%	0.27%	32	0.26%
Ouachita	26,120	0.90%	327	1.03%	228	1.2%	1.17%	125	1.00%
Perry	10,445	0.36%	123	0.39%	78	0.4%	0.40%	64	0.51%
Phillips	21,757	0.75%	239	0.76%	123	0.6%	0.63%	65	0.52%
Pike	11,291	0.39%	135	0.43%	77	0.4%	0.39%	51	0.41%
Poinsett	24,583	0.84%	265	0.84%	193	1.0%	0.99%	96	0.77%
Polk	20,662	0.71%	236	0.75%	139	0.7%	0.71%	73	0.59%
Pope	61,754	2.12%	647	2.04%	410	2.1%	2.10%	301	2.42%
Prairie	8,715	0.30%	91	0.29%	51	0.3%	0.26%	33	0.26%
Pulaski	382,748	13.13%	3,454	10.91%	2,325	11.9%	11.88%	1,515	12.16%
Randolph	17,969	0.62%	143	0.45%	94	0.5%	0.48%	68	0.55%
Saline	107,118	3.67%	1,128	3.56%	795	4.1%	4.06%	586	4.71%
Scott	11,233	0.39%	94	0.30%	61	0.3%	0.31%	46	0.37%
Searcy	8,195	0.28%	111	0.35%	57	0.3%	0.29%	26	0.21%
Sebastian	125,744	4.31%	1,383	4.37%	972	5.0%	4.97%	481	3.86%
Sevier	17,058	0.58%	227	0.72%	170	0.9%	0.87%	101	0.81%
Sharp	17,264	0.59%	187	0.59%	148	0.8%	0.76%	101	0.81%
St. Francis	28,258	0.97%	307	0.97%	160	0.8%	0.82%	84	0.67%

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Stone	12,394	0.43%	115	0.36%	75	0.4%	0.38%	45	0.36%
Union	41,639	1.43%	492	1.55%	314	1.6%	1.61%	203	1.63%
Van Buren	17,295	0.59%	156	0.49%	93	0.5%	0.48%	59	0.47%
Washington	203,065	6.96%	2,543	8.04%	1,312	6.7%	6.71%	809	6.50%
White	77,076	2.64%	841	2.66%	524	2.7%	2.68%	353	2.83%
Woodruff	7,260	0.25%	88	0.28%	63	0.3%	0.32%	35	0.28%
Yell	22,185	0.76%	253	0.80%	119	0.6%	0.61%	82	0.66%
Not Reported								22	0.18%
Total	2,915,918	100%	31,646	100%	19,563	100%	100%	12,454	100%

Source: Arkansas Department of Higher Education data warehouse, preliminary, unaudited

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College	Applicant Count	Amount Paid
Arkansas Baptist College	6	\$6,000
Arkansas Northeastern College	76	\$76,000
Arkansas State University Beebe	427	\$427,000
Arkansas State University Jonesboro	1,234	\$1,234,000
Arkansas State University Mountain Home	100	\$100,000
Arkansas State University Newport	145	\$145,000
Arkansas Tech University	1,185	\$1,181,739
Arkansas Tech University Ozark Campus	74	\$73,867
Baptist Health Schools - Little Rock	12	\$12,000
Black River Technical College	101	\$101,000
Central Baptist College	75	\$75,000
College of the Ouachitas	60	\$60,000
Cossatot Community College UA	102	\$102,000
Crowley's Ridge College	20	\$20,000
East Arkansas Community College	76	\$76,000
Ecclesia College	9	\$9,000
Harding University	210	\$210,000
Henderson State University	494	\$493,327
Hendrix College	95	\$95,000
John Brown University	86	\$86,000
Lyon College	150	\$150,000
Mid South Community College	56	\$56,000
National Park Community College	162	\$162,000
North Arkansas College	152	\$152,000
Northwest Arkansas Community College	468	\$443,239
Ouachita Baptist University	194	\$194,000
Ozarka College	85	\$85,000
Philander Smith College	22	\$22,000
Phillips Community College UA	71	\$71,000
Pulaski Technical College	260	\$260,000
Rich Mountain Community College	49	\$49,000
South Arkansas Community College	46	\$46,000
Southeast Arkansas College	37	\$37,000
Southern Arkansas University	391	\$391,000
Southern Arkansas University Tech	70	\$70,000
University of Arkansas at Monticello College of Technology - Crossett	9	\$9,000
University of Arkansas at Monticello College of Technology - McGehee	3	\$3,000
University of Arkansas Community College Batesville	115	\$115,000
University of Arkansas Community College Hope	90	\$90,000
University of Arkansas Community College Morrilton	214	\$214,000

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University of Arkansas Fayetteville	1,864	\$1,864,000
University of Arkansas Fort Smith	692	\$692,000
University of Arkansas Little Rock	451	\$450,162
University of Arkansas Monticello	326	\$326,000
University of Arkansas Pine Bluff	124	\$123,112
University of Central Arkansas	1,595	\$1,592,495
University of the Ozarks	83	\$83,000
Williams Baptist College	88	\$88,000
Summary	12,454	\$12,420,941