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The Honorable Ronald Caldwell, Chair
The Honorable Gary Deffenbaugh, Chair
ALC - Lottery Oversight Committee
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Caldwell and Representative Deffenbaugh:

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated 6-85-205 (g) (1) (A), I am submitting for your review the enclosed report on the status of Workforce Challenge students for fiscal Year 2022. The attached report shows the current status of all students who received a Workforce Challenge award in the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2022.

Should you require additional information, please let me know and we will be happy to provide.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Maria Markham'.

Dr. Maria Markham
Director

**Arkansas Division of Higher Education
Workforce Challenge Scholarship Program
Student Statuses - All Cohorts
Fiscal 2022**

Current Status	Student Count	Male	Female	Unknown Gender	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian/Pacific Islander	Black (Non-Hispanic)	Hispanic	White (Non-Hispanic)	2 or More Races	Unknown Race	Amount Paid	Average Student Income	Average Parent
Awarded	684	205	465	14	6	9	212	42	344	16	55	\$ 533,711	\$ 16,186	\$ 13,240
Declined	6	2	4	-	-	-	2	-	3	-	1	\$ 4,800	\$ 17,069	\$ 10,017
Overall-Summary	690	207	469	14	6	9	214	42	347	16	56	\$ 538,511	\$ 16,194	\$ 13,212

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Current Status	2020-21 Student Count	2020-21 % by status	2021-22 Student Count	2021-22 % by status
Awarded	711	99%	684	99%
Declined	5	1%	6	1%
Overall-Summary	716	100%	690	100%