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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 2021. The attached report shows the current status of all students who received a Workforce Challenge award in the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2021.

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 2021**

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	711	186	509	16	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	\$ 466,400	\$ 12,563	\$ 11,377
Declined	5	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	FERPA	\$ -	\$ 14,811	\$ 15,612
Overall-Summary	716	186	509	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 466,400	\$ 12,579	\$ 11,406

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Current Status	2019-20 Student Count	2019-20 % by status	2020-21 Student Count	2020-21 % by status
Awarded	27	98%	711	99%
Declined	11	2%	5	1%
Overall-Summary	638	100%	716	100%