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July 1, 2016

The Honorable Chris Richey, Chair
The Honorable Jimmy Hickey, Jr., Chair
Arkansas Lottery Legislative Oversight Committee
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Hickey and Representative Richey:

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated 6-85-205 (g) (1) (A), I am submitting for your review the enclosed report on the status of Academic Challenge students for fiscal Year 2016. It should be noted that we can only report the current status of students as to whether they maintained their eligibility at the end of the spring 2016 semester. Students have until October 1, 2016 to provide documentation that they have regained their eligibility. The Arkansas Department of Higher Education will provide the requested information on students who dropped out or lost their scholarship in our December report.

The attached report shows the current status of all students who received an Academic Challenge award in the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2016.

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 "Brett A Powell".

Brett A. Powell, Ed.D.
Director

**Arkansas Department of Higher Education
Academic Challenge Scholarship Program
Student Status
All Cohorts
Fiscal 2016**

All Categories

Current Status	Student Count	Average High School GPA	Average ACT	Average College GPA	Male	Female	Unknown Gender	Native American/ Native Alaskan	Asian/Pacific Islander	Black (Non-Hispanic)	Hispanic	White (Non-Hispanic)	2 or More Races	Unknown Race	Amount Paid	Student Income	Parent Income	Average Attempted Hours	Average Earned Hours
Completed	6,342	3.58	23.9	3.36	2,352	3,989	1	68	13	649	315	5,104	158	35	\$24,157,082	\$6,713	\$76,081	29.8	29.3
Dropped	765	3.08	21.7	3.06	352	413	-	8	4	88	39	589	36	1	\$884,370	\$4,671	\$48,371		
Eligible	19,679	3.6	23.8	3.36	7,436	12,242	1	136	193	1,878	1,178	15,545	684	65	\$54,281,943	\$5,027	\$89,733	30.2	29.9
Suspended	7,716	3.22	21.6	2.39	3,455	4,259	2	86	63	1,398	501	5,307	327	34	\$16,835,166	\$3,842	\$69,915	26.1	21.3
Overall - Summary	34,502	3.51	23.3	3.15	13,595	20,903	4	298	273	4,013	2,033	26,545	1,205	135	\$96,158,561	\$5,075	\$82,698	29.3	27.9

Traditional

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Completed	5,173	3.62	24.1	3.36	1,961	3,211	1	49	9	442	248	4,277	119	29	\$20,589,257	\$4,209	\$84,606	31.9	31.3
Dropped	645	3.1	21.8	3.01	309	336	-	8	4	67	31	501	33	1	\$741,057	\$2,267	\$53,046		
Eligible	17,865	3.62	23.9	3.36	6,793	11,071	1	118	178	1,611	1,026	14,259	620	53	\$49,297,495	\$3,560	\$94,858	30.6	30.4
Suspended	7,072	3.23	21.7	2.36	3,207	3,863	2	73	60	1,242	462	4,904	302	29	\$15,183,554	\$2,932	\$72,113	26.4	21.6
Overall - Summary	30,755	3.53	23.5	3.14	12,270	18,481	4	248	251	3,362	1,767	23,941	1,074	112	\$85,811,363	\$3,520	\$87,866	29.6	28.3

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Completed	1,168	3.16	21.6	3.37	391	777	-	19	4	207	67	826	39	6	\$3,565,325	\$19,722	\$31,780	25.2	25.2
Dropped	120	2.85	20.2	3.21	43	77	-	-	-	21	8	88	3	-	\$143,313	\$17,617	\$23,199		
Eligible	1,814	3.16	21.6	3.37	643	1,171	-	18	15	267	152	1,286	64	12	\$4,984,448	\$19,713	\$38,405	26.2	25.7
Suspended	643	3.08	21	2.67	247	396	-	13	3	156	39	402	25	5	\$1,646,612	\$13,621	\$46,364	23.2	19
Overall - Summary	3,745	3.14	21.5	3.23	1,324	2,421	-	50	22	651	266	2,602	131	23	\$10,339,698	\$18,629	\$37,659	25.5	24

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Completed	423	3.18	21.2	3	147	276	-	5	3	79	24	306	6	\$0	\$1,300,012	\$17,323	\$37,109	27.4	27.3
Dropped	551	2.99	21.3		265	286	-	6	4	60	27	421	32	\$1	\$552,557	\$3,593	\$48,557		
Eligible	8,487	3.55	23.4	3	3,263	5,224	-	36	169	870	608	6,391	379	\$34	\$17,383,370	\$4,565	\$85,869	29.6	29.3
Suspended	4,706	3.13	21.1	2	2,212	2,492	2	35	59	959	319	3,078	241	\$15	\$8,400,002	\$3,031	\$64,083	25.9	20.4
Overall - Summary	14,167	3.4	22.6	3	5,887	8,278	2	82	235	1,968	978	10,196	658	\$50	\$27,635,941	\$4,408	\$77,004	28.5	26.6

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Completed	13	3.31	20	3	4	9	-	1	-	1	-	10	\$1	\$0	\$24,000	\$1,466	\$55,380	30.5	28.5
Dropped	486	3	21		241	245	-	6	4	51	23	370	\$31	\$1	\$486,057	\$2,035	\$50,487		
Pending Award	7,501	3.58	24	3	2,898	4,603	-	32	156	720	520	5,712	\$334	\$27	\$14,815,916	\$2,823	\$91,543	30	29.7
Probation	4,301	3.14	21	2	2,036	2,263	2	29	57	861	292	2,824	\$226	\$12	\$7,392,628	\$2,191	\$65,254	26	20.4
Overall - Summary	12,301	3.42	23	3	5,179	7,120	2	68	217	1,633	835	8,916	\$592	\$40	\$22,718,601	\$2,599	\$82,071	28.8	26.9

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Completed	410	3.18	21	3	143	267	-	4	3	78	24	296	\$5	\$0	\$1,276,012	\$17,888	\$36,458	26.5	27
Dropped	65	2.83	20		24	41	-	-	-	9	4	51	\$1	\$0	\$66,500	\$15,264	\$34,101		
Pending Award	986	3.18	22	3	365	621	-	4	13	150	88	679	\$45	\$7	\$2,567,454	\$17,953	\$42,247	26.6	26.2
Probation	405	3.09	21	3	176	229	-	6	2	98	27	254	\$15	\$3	\$1,007,374	\$11,565	\$52,182	24.4	20.1
Overall - Summary	1,866	3.15	21	3	708	1,158	-	14	18	335	143	1,280	\$66	\$10	\$4,917,340	\$16,518	\$43,074	26.1	24.7