

**Education Estimating Conference on Student Financial Aid**  
**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**  
**December 13, 2023**

The Student Financial Aid Estimating Conference met on December 13, 2023 to revise estimates from FY 2023-24 through FY 2028-29 for student financial aid programs based on actuals for FY 2022-23 and both Term 0 (early summer) and Term 1 (fall) data for FY 2023-24. While the combined numbers for FY 2022-23 were well below the expected awards and appropriated dollars for the year, they were only marginally different from the August 2023 forecast. This means that the strong incoming data for the current year had the greatest effect on the new forecast, causing awards to be added to each year of each program. By FY 2028-29, the last year of the forecast horizon, the combined programs are expected to increase by 17,368 awards (or 10.6%) compared to FY 2022-23.

**Bright Futures Scholarships:** Final data for FY 2022-23 show that there were 117,178 regular program awards, an increase of 18 awards (or 0.02%) from the August estimate. In addition, there were 6,330 awards for early summer enrollments, an increase of 2 awards (or 0.03%) from the August estimate. For the FY 2023-24 regular program, the Conference adopted a total of 118,485 awards, an increase of 3,216 awards (or 2.79%) over the previous estimate, as well as an estimated 7,083 early summer enrollments, an increase of 206 awards (or 3.00%) relative to the August conference. For the FY 2024-25 regular program, the Conference adopted 119,327 awards, and 7,235 early summer enrollments.

In total, final Bright Futures data for FY 2022-23 showed 123,508 awards, below the appropriated level for the year but close to the August 2023 estimate. Bright Futures awards are estimated to reach 125,568 in FY 2023-24 and 126,562 in FY 2024-25, with gains of 3,422 (or 2.80%) and 3,039 (or 2.46%) awards over the August estimates, respectively.

**Effective Access to Student Education (EASE) Grants:** Final data indicate that there were 35,372 awards in FY 2022-23, an increase of 64 (or 0.18%) awards relative to the previous estimate, but well below the appropriated for the year. For FY 2023-24, the Conference adopted 35,594 total awards, an increase of 301 awards (or 0.85%) relative to the previous estimate. The Conference also adopted 35,773 total awards in FY 2024-25, an increase of 782 awards (or 2.23%) relative to the previous estimate.

**Children/Spouses of Deceased/Disabled Veterans (CSDDV):** Final data show that there were 3,527 awards in FY 2022-23, an increase of 15 awards (or 0.43%) over the previous estimate and 367 (or 11.61%) over the appropriated level for the year. For FY 2023-24, the Conference adopted 4,346 projected awards, an increase of 305 awards (or 7.55%) over the August estimate. The Conference also adopted 5,034 projected awards for FY 2024-25, an increase of 503 awards (or 11.10%) over the previous estimate.

**Benacquisto Scholarship Program:** Final data indicate that there were 1,948 awards in FY 2022-23, unchanged from the August estimate and slightly below the appropriated level for the year. For FY 2023-24, the Conference adopted 1,976 projected awards, an increase of 17 awards (or 0.88%) relative to the previous estimate. The Conference also adopted 2,043 projected awards for FY 2024-25, an increase of 124 awards (or 6.46%) relative to the previous estimate.

**Comparison of Estimates December 2023 (Adopted December 13<sup>th</sup>) to August 2023**

NUMBER OF AWARDS	Bright Futures (BF)	BF Early Summer Enrollment	BF Total	EASE	CSDDV	Benacquisto Scholarship
2022-23 Final	117,178	6,330	123,508	35,372	3,527	1,948
<b>2022-23 APPROPRIATION</b>			<b>124,022</b>	<b>37,705</b>	<b>3,160</b>	<b>1,992</b>
Within/(Exceeds)			514	2,333	(367)	44
% DIFFERENCE			0.4%	6.2%	-11.6%	2.2%
2023-24 August ESTIMATE	115,269	6,877	122,146	35,293	4,041	1,959
<b>2023-24 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>118,485</b>	<b>7,083</b>	<b>125,568</b>	<b>35,594</b>	<b>4,346</b>	<b>1,976</b>
# DIFFERENCE	3,216	206	3,422	301	305	17
% DIFFERENCE	2.8%	3.0%	2.8%	0.9%	7.5%	0.9%
2024-25 August ESTIMATE	116,542	6,981	123,523	34,991	4,531	1,919
<b>2024-25 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>119,327</b>	<b>7,235</b>	<b>126,562</b>	<b>35,773</b>	<b>5,034</b>	<b>2,043</b>
# DIFFERENCE	2,785	254	3,039	782	503	124
% DIFFERENCE	2.4%	3.6%	2.5%	2.2%	11.1%	6.5%
2025-26 August ESTIMATE	118,603	7,175	125,778	34,747	4,983	1,948
<b>2025-26 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>121,959</b>	<b>7,235</b>	<b>129,194</b>	<b>36,102</b>	<b>5,669</b>	<b>2,136</b>
# DIFFERENCE	3,356	60	3,416	1,355	686	188
% DIFFERENCE	2.8%	0.8%	2.7%	3.9%	13.8%	9.7%
2026-27 August ESTIMATE	120,950	7,104	128,054	34,518	5,569	1,832
<b>2026-27 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>124,725</b>	<b>7,448</b>	<b>132,173</b>	<b>36,474</b>	<b>6,270</b>	<b>2,088</b>
# DIFFERENCE	3,775	344	4,119	1,956	701	256
% DIFFERENCE	3.1%	4.8%	3.2%	5.7%	12.6%	14.0%
2027-28 August ESTIMATE	122,461	7,104	129,565	34,328	6,173	1,948
<b>2027-28 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>126,497</b>	<b>7,386</b>	<b>133,883</b>	<b>36,864</b>	<b>6,846</b>	<b>2,267</b>
# DIFFERENCE	4,036	282	4,318	2,536	673	319
% DIFFERENCE	3.3%	4.0%	3.3%	7.4%	10.9%	16.4%
2028-29 August ESTIMATE	123,163	7,056	130,219	34,180	6,796	2,073
<b>2028-29 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>127,346</b>	<b>7,336</b>	<b>134,682</b>	<b>37,275</b>	<b>7,309</b>	<b>2,457</b>
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EXPENDITURES (in millions)	Bright Futures (BF)*	BF Early Summer Enrollment	BF Total	EASE	CSDDV	Benacquisto Scholarship
2022-23 Final	\$594.1	\$7.4	\$601.5	\$70.7	\$14.7	\$34.5
<b>2022-23 APPROPRIATION</b>			<b>\$620.9</b>	<b>\$75.4</b>	<b>\$13.5</b>	<b>\$36.4</b>
Within/(Exceeds) Approp			\$19.4	\$4.7	(\$1.2)	\$1.9
% DIFFERENCE			3.1%	6.6%	-8.2%	5.5%
2023-24 August ESTIMATE	\$587.2	\$8.0	\$595.2	\$123.5	\$17.1	\$35.6
<b>2023-24 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>\$599.0</b>	<b>\$8.2</b>	<b>\$607.2</b>	<b>\$124.6</b>	<b>\$18.3</b>	<b>\$37.7</b>
# DIFFERENCE	\$11.8	\$0.2	\$12.0	\$1.1	\$1.3	\$2.0
% DIFFERENCE	2.0%	2.7%	2.0%	0.9%	7.5%	5.6%
<b>2023-24 APPROPRIATION</b>			<b>\$590.7</b>	<b>\$134.8</b>	<b>\$16.7</b>	<b>\$34.7</b>
Within/(Exceeds) Approp			(\$16.5)	\$10.3	(\$1.6)	(\$3.0)
2024-25 August ESTIMATE	\$594.6	\$8.1	\$602.7	\$122.5	\$19.4	\$34.6
<b>2024-25 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>\$608.5</b>	<b>\$8.4</b>	<b>\$616.9</b>	<b>\$125.2</b>	<b>\$21.5</b>	<b>\$39.0</b>
# DIFFERENCE	\$13.9	\$0.3	\$14.2	\$2.7	\$2.1	\$4.4
% DIFFERENCE	2.3%	3.8%	2.4%	2.2%	11.0%	12.9%
2025-26 August ESTIMATE	\$605.6	\$8.4	\$614.0	\$121.6	\$21.5	\$34.9
<b>2025-26 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>\$622.2</b>	<b>\$8.4</b>	<b>\$630.6</b>	<b>\$126.4</b>	<b>\$24.5</b>	<b>\$40.9</b>
# DIFFERENCE	\$16.5	\$0.1	\$16.6	\$4.7	\$3.0	\$6.0
% DIFFERENCE	2.7%	0.8%	2.7%	3.9%	14.1%	17.2%
2026-27 August ESTIMATE	\$618.5	\$8.3	\$626.8	\$120.8	\$24.3	\$31.9
<b>2026-27 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>\$636.7</b>	<b>\$8.7</b>	<b>\$645.4</b>	<b>\$127.7</b>	<b>\$27.5</b>	<b>\$39.4</b>
# DIFFERENCE	\$18.2	\$0.4	\$18.5	\$6.8	\$3.2	\$7.6
% DIFFERENCE	2.9%	4.6%	3.0%	5.7%	13.0%	23.8%
2027-28 August ESTIMATE	\$626.8	\$8.3	\$635.1	\$120.1	\$27.2	\$34.2
<b>2027-28 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>\$645.6</b>	<b>\$8.6</b>	<b>\$654.2</b>	<b>\$129.0</b>	<b>\$30.3</b>	<b>\$43.4</b>
# DIFFERENCE	\$18.8	\$0.3	\$19.1	\$8.9	\$3.1	\$9.3
% DIFFERENCE	3.0%	3.8%	3.0%	7.4%	11.5%	27.2%
2028-29 August ESTIMATE	\$630.8	\$8.3	\$639.1	\$119.6	\$30.3	\$36.6
<b>2028-29 NEW ESTIMATE</b>	<b>\$649.9</b>	<b>\$8.6</b>	<b>\$658.5</b>	<b>\$130.5</b>	<b>\$32.8</b>	<b>\$47.8</b>
# DIFFERENCE	\$19.1	\$0.3	\$19.4	\$10.8	\$2.5	\$11.1
% DIFFERENCE	3.0%	3.8%	3.0%	9.1%	8.2%	30.4%

\* The estimated expenditures include the reserve for dropped hours.

Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program  
Awards History and Forecast

AWARDS	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24				FY 2024-25				FY 2025-26			
		August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New
<b>FLORIDA ACADEMIC SCHOLARS (INCL ATS)</b>													
INITIALS - Current Year	19,216	19,433	20,185	20,185	20,185	20,286	21,041	21,041	21,041	20,851	21,477	21,477	21,477
INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	3,338	3,529	3,659	3,615	3,615	3,627	3,735	4,039	3,735	3,774	3,735	4,167	3,735
RENEWALS - Current Year	48,534	48,679	48,682	48,348	48,348	48,658	49,275	47,258	49,275	49,594	50,630	48,475	50,630
<b>TOTAL - Current Year</b>	<b>67,750</b>	<b>68,112</b>	<b>68,867</b>	<b>68,533</b>	<b>68,533</b>	<b>68,944</b>	<b>70,316</b>	<b>68,299</b>	<b>70,316</b>	<b>70,445</b>	<b>72,107</b>	<b>69,952</b>	<b>72,107</b>
<b>TOTAL - Early Summer Enrollments</b>	<b>3,338</b>	<b>3,529</b>	<b>3,659</b>	<b>3,615</b>	<b>3,615</b>	<b>3,627</b>	<b>3,735</b>	<b>4,039</b>	<b>3,735</b>	<b>3,774</b>	<b>3,735</b>	<b>4,167</b>	<b>3,735</b>
<b>FLORIDA MEDALLION SCHOLARS</b>													
INITIALS - Current Year	13,278	13,432	14,453	14,453	14,453	14,860	15,334	15,334	15,334	14,884	15,515	15,515	15,515
INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	2,992	3,348	3,459	3,468	3,468	3,354	3,500	4,051	3,500	3,401	3,500	4,161	3,500
RENEWALS - Current Year	35,335	32,885	32,884	34,570	34,570	31,887	32,652	33,283	32,652	32,415	33,281	33,976	33,281
<b>TOTAL - Current Year</b>	<b>48,613</b>	<b>46,317</b>	<b>47,337</b>	<b>49,023</b>	<b>49,023</b>	<b>46,747</b>	<b>47,986</b>	<b>48,617</b>	<b>47,986</b>	<b>47,299</b>	<b>48,796</b>	<b>49,491</b>	<b>48,796</b>
<b>TOTAL - Early Summer Enrollments</b>	<b>2,992</b>	<b>3,348</b>	<b>3,459</b>	<b>3,468</b>	<b>3,468</b>	<b>3,354</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>4,051</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>3,401</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>4,161</b>	<b>3,500</b>
<b>FLORIDA GOLD SEAL VOCATIONAL SCHOLARS</b>													
INITIALS	244	247	289	289	289	259	281	281	281	264	286	286	286
RENEWALS	311	308	308	267	267	291	312	276	312	286	309	272	309
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>595</b>
<b>FLORIDA GOLD SEAL CAPE SCHOLARS</b>													
INITIALS	161	163	252	252	252	171	265	265	265	174	269	269	269
RENEWALS	99	122	122	121	121	130	167	156	167	135	192	175	192
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>461</b>
<b>ACADEMIC TOP SCHOLARS</b>													
INITIALS	63	63	67	59	59	65	67	62	67	67	67	63	67
RENEWALS	173	173	173	171	171	173	173	169	173	173	173	166	173
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>240</b>
<b>ALL AWARD LEVELS</b>													
INITIALS - Current Year	32,899	33,275	35,179	35,179	35,179	35,576	36,921	36,921	36,921	36,173	37,547	37,547	37,547
INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	6,330	6,877	7,118	7,083	7,083	6,981	7,235	8,090	7,235	7,175	7,235	8,328	7,235
RENEWALS - Current Year	84,279	81,994	81,996	83,306	83,306	80,966	82,406	80,973	82,406	82,430	84,412	82,898	84,412
<b>TOTAL AWARDS - Current Year</b>	<b>117,178</b>	<b>115,269</b>	<b>117,175</b>	<b>118,485</b>	<b>118,485</b>	<b>116,542</b>	<b>119,327</b>	<b>117,894</b>	<b>119,327</b>	<b>118,603</b>	<b>121,959</b>	<b>120,445</b>	<b>121,959</b>
<b>TOTAL AWARDS - Early Summer Enrollments</b>	<b>6,330</b>	<b>6,877</b>	<b>7,118</b>	<b>7,083</b>	<b>7,083</b>	<b>6,981</b>	<b>7,235</b>	<b>8,090</b>	<b>7,235</b>	<b>7,175</b>	<b>7,235</b>	<b>8,328</b>	<b>7,235</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>123,508</b>	<b>122,146</b>	<b>124,293</b>	<b>125,568</b>	<b>125,568</b>	<b>123,523</b>	<b>126,562</b>	<b>125,984</b>	<b>126,562</b>	<b>125,778</b>	<b>129,194</b>	<b>128,773</b>	<b>129,194</b>

32 Initials - Current Year Above/Below August ESTIMATE		1,904	1,904	1,904		1,345	1,345	1,345		1,374	1,374	1,374	
33 Renewals - Current Year Above/Below August ESTIMATE		2	1,312	1,312		1,440	7	1,440		1,982	468	1,982	
34 TOTAL Current Year Awards Above/Below August ESTIMATE		1,906	3,216	3,216		2,785	1,352	2,785		3,356	1,842	3,356	

Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program  
Awards History and Forecast

AWARDS	FY 2026-27				FY 2027-28				FY 2028-29			
	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New
1 FLORIDA ACADEMIC SCHOLARS (INCL ATS)												
2 INITIALS - Current Year	21,696	22,154	22,154	22,154	21,752	21,996	21,996	21,996	21,606	21,859	21,859	21,859
3 INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	3,783	3,853	4,137	3,853	3,783	3,825	4,111	3,825	3,757	3,801	4,282	3,801
4 RENEWALS - Current Year	50,561	51,774	50,028	51,774	51,973	53,168	51,649	53,168	52,939	53,947	52,393	53,947
5 TOTAL - Current Year	72,257	73,928	72,182	73,928	73,725	75,164	73,645	75,164	74,545	75,806	74,252	75,806
6 TOTAL - Early Summer Enrollments	3,783	3,853	4,137	3,853	3,783	3,825	4,111	3,825	3,757	3,801	4,282	3,801
7 FLORIDA MEDALLION SCHOLARS												
8 INITIALS - Current Year	15,091	15,933	15,933	15,933	14,738	15,785	15,785	15,785	14,640	15,669	15,669	15,669
9 INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	3,321	3,595	4,122	3,595	3,321	3,561	4,091	3,561	3,299	3,535	4,257	3,535
10 RENEWALS - Current Year	32,725	33,774	35,298	33,774	33,116	34,447	36,583	34,447	33,097	34,768	36,996	34,768
11 TOTAL - Current Year	47,816	49,707	51,231	49,707	47,854	50,232	52,368	50,232	47,737	50,437	52,665	50,437
12 TOTAL - Early Summer Enrollments	3,321	3,595	4,122	3,595	3,321	3,561	4,091	3,561	3,299	3,535	4,257	3,535
13 FLORIDA GOLD SEAL VOCATIONAL SCHOLARS												
14 INITIALS	271	295	295	295	269	292	292	292	267	290	290	290
15 RENEWALS	287	310	274	310	291	315	282	315	292	316	160	316
16 TOTAL	558	605	569	605	560	607	574	607	559	606	450	606
17 FLORIDA GOLD SEAL CAPE SCHOLARS												
18 INITIALS	179	277	277	277	178	275	275	275	176	273	273	273
19 RENEWALS	140	208	185	208	144	219	191	219	146	224	192	224
20 TOTAL	319	485	462	485	322	494	466	494	322	497	465	497
21 ACADEMIC TOP SCHOLARS												
22 INITIALS	67	67	65	67	67	67	64	67	67	67	64	67
23 RENEWALS	173	173	170	173	173	173	175	173	173	173	177	173
24 TOTAL	240	240	235	240	240	240	239	240	240	240	241	240
25 ALL AWARD LEVELS												
26 INITIALS - Current Year	37,237	38,659	38,659	38,659	36,937	38,348	38,348	38,348	36,689	38,091	38,091	38,091
27 INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	7,104	7,448	8,259	7,448	7,104	7,386	8,202	7,386	7,056	7,336	8,539	7,336
28 RENEWALS - Current Year	83,713	86,066	85,785	86,066	85,524	88,149	88,705	88,149	86,474	89,255	89,741	89,255
29 TOTAL AWARDS - Current Year	120,950	124,725	124,444	124,725	122,461	126,497	127,053	126,497	123,163	127,346	127,832	127,346
30 TOTAL AWARDS - Early Summer Enrollments	7,104	7,448	8,259	7,448	7,104	7,386	8,202	7,386	7,056	7,336	8,539	7,336
31 GRAND TOTAL	128,054	132,173	132,703	132,173	129,565	133,883	135,255	133,883	130,219	134,682	136,371	134,682
32 Initials - Current Year Above/Below August ESTIMATE		1,422	1,422	1,422		1,411	1,411	1,411		1,402	1,402	
33 Renewals - Current Year Above/Below August ESTIMATE		2,353	2,072	2,353		2,625	3,181	2,625		2,781	3,267	
34 TOTAL Current Year Awards Above/Below August ESTIMATE		3,775	3,494	3,775		4,036	4,592	4,036		4,183	4,669	

Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program  
Expenditures History and Forecast

EXPENDITURES (in millions)	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24				FY 2024-25				FY 2025-26			
		August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New
1 FLORIDA ACADEMIC SCHOLARS (INCL ATS)													
2 INITIALS - Current Year	\$119.5	\$120.8	\$125.5	\$125.0	\$125.0	\$126.1	\$130.9	\$130.8	\$130.9	\$129.6	\$133.6	\$133.5	\$133.6
3 INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	\$4.5	\$4.7	\$4.9	\$4.8	\$4.8	\$4.8	\$5.0	\$5.4	\$5.0	\$5.0	\$5.0	\$5.5	\$5.0
4 RENEWALS - Current Year	\$270.9	\$271.4	\$271.3	\$269.3	\$269.3	\$271.3	\$274.6	\$262.9	\$274.6	\$276.5	\$282.1	\$269.8	\$282.1
5 TOTAL - Current Year	\$390.4	\$392.2	\$396.8	\$394.3	\$394.3	\$397.4	\$405.4	\$393.7	\$405.4	\$406.2	\$415.7	\$403.3	\$415.7
6 TOTAL - Early Summer Enrollments	\$4.5	\$4.7	\$4.9	\$4.8	\$4.8	\$4.8	\$5.0	\$5.4	\$5.0	\$5.0	\$5.0	\$5.5	\$5.0
7 FLORIDA MEDALLION SCHOLARS													
8 INITIALS - Current Year	\$56.9	\$58.2	\$62.9	\$61.4	\$61.4	\$64.4	\$66.7	\$65.7	\$66.7	\$64.5	\$67.5	\$66.5	\$67.5
9 INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	\$2.9	\$3.3	\$3.4	\$3.4	\$3.4	\$3.3	\$3.5	\$3.8	\$3.5	\$3.3	\$3.5	\$4.1	\$3.5
10 RENEWALS - Current Year	\$142.8	\$132.8	\$133.0	\$139.2	\$139.2	\$128.8	\$132.1	\$133.7	\$132.1	\$130.9	\$134.7	\$136.6	\$134.7
11 TOTAL - Current Year	\$199.7	\$191.0	\$195.9	\$200.6	\$200.6	\$193.2	\$198.8	\$199.4	\$198.8	\$195.4	\$202.1	\$203.1	\$202.1
12 TOTAL - Early Summer Enrollments	\$2.9	\$3.3	\$3.4	\$3.4	\$3.4	\$3.3	\$3.5	\$3.8	\$3.5	\$3.3	\$3.5	\$4.1	\$3.5
13 FLORIDA GOLD SEAL VOCATIONAL SCHOLARS													
14 INITIALS	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3
15 RENEWALS	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2
16 TOTAL	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5
17 FLORIDA GOLD SEAL CAPE SCHOLARS													
18 INITIALS	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3
19 RENEWALS	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2
20 TOTAL	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.3	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.3	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4
21 ACADEMIC TOP SCHOLARS (ATS) STIPEND													
22 INITIALS	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1
23 RENEWALS	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.1	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2
24 TOTAL	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3
25 ALL AWARD LEVELS													
26 INITIALS - Current Year	\$176.8	\$179.4	\$188.9	\$186.9	\$186.9	\$190.9	\$198.1	\$197.1	\$198.1	\$194.6	\$201.6	\$200.6	\$201.6
27 INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	\$7.4	\$8.0	\$8.3	\$8.2	\$8.2	\$8.1	\$8.4	\$9.2	\$8.4	\$8.4	\$8.4	\$9.6	\$8.4
28 RENEWALS - Current Year	\$414.1	\$404.6	\$404.7	\$408.8	\$408.8	\$400.4	\$407.1	\$396.9	\$407.1	\$407.8	\$417.2	\$406.7	\$417.2
29 TOTAL - Current Year	\$590.8	\$584.0	\$593.6	\$595.7	\$595.7	\$591.4	\$605.2	\$594.0	\$605.2	\$602.3	\$618.8	\$607.3	\$618.8
30 Reserve for Dropped Hours	\$3.2	\$3.2	\$3.3	\$3.3	\$3.3	\$3.2	\$3.3	\$3.3	\$3.3	\$3.3	\$3.4	\$3.3	\$3.4
31 TOTAL - Early Summer Enrollments	\$7.4	\$8.0	\$8.3	\$8.2	\$8.2	\$8.1	\$8.4	\$9.2	\$8.4	\$8.4	\$8.4	\$9.6	\$8.4
32 GRAND TOTAL	\$601.5	\$595.2	\$605.1	\$607.2	\$607.2	\$602.7	\$616.9	\$606.5	\$616.9	\$614.0	\$630.6	\$620.3	\$630.6
33 Total Cost - Above/Below August ESTIMATE			\$9.9	\$12.0	\$12.0		\$14.2	\$3.7	\$14.2		\$16.6	\$6.3	\$16.6

Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program  
Expenditures History and Forecast

EXPENDITURES (in millions)	FY 2026-27				FY 2027-28				FY 2028-29			
	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New
1 FLORIDA ACADEMIC SCHOLARS (INCL ATS)												
2 INITIALS - Current Year	\$134.9	\$137.8	\$137.9	\$137.8	\$135.2	\$136.8	\$136.9	\$136.8	\$134.3	\$136.0	\$136.1	\$136.0
3 INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	\$5.0	\$5.2	\$5.5	\$5.2	\$5.0	\$5.1	\$5.5	\$5.1	\$5.0	\$5.1	\$5.7	\$5.1
4 RENEWALS - Current Year	\$281.9	\$288.5	\$278.5	\$288.5	\$289.8	\$296.3	\$287.6	\$296.3	\$295.2	\$300.6	\$291.8	\$300.6
5 TOTAL - Current Year	\$416.8	\$426.3	\$416.4	\$426.3	\$425.0	\$433.1	\$424.5	\$433.1	\$429.5	\$436.6	\$427.9	\$436.6
6 TOTAL - Early Summer Enrollments	\$5.0	\$5.2	\$5.5	\$5.2	\$5.0	\$5.1	\$5.5	\$5.1	\$5.0	\$5.1	\$5.7	\$5.1
7 FLORIDA MEDALLION SCHOLARS												
8 INITIALS - Current Year	\$65.4	\$69.3	\$68.4	\$69.3	\$63.9	\$68.7	\$67.7	\$68.7	\$63.5	\$68.2	\$67.2	\$68.2
9 INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	\$3.3	\$3.5	\$4.1	\$3.5	\$3.3	\$3.5	\$4.0	\$3.5	\$3.2	\$3.5	\$4.2	\$3.5
10 RENEWALS - Current Year	\$132.2	\$136.6	\$142.0	\$136.6	\$133.7	\$139.4	\$147.3	\$139.4	\$133.7	\$140.7	\$149.0	\$140.7
11 TOTAL - Current Year	\$197.6	\$206.0	\$210.4	\$206.0	\$197.6	\$208.0	\$215.0	\$208.0	\$197.1	\$208.8	\$216.2	\$208.8
12 TOTAL - Early Summer Enrollments	\$3.3	\$3.5	\$4.1	\$3.5	\$3.3	\$3.5	\$4.0	\$3.5	\$3.2	\$3.5	\$4.2	\$3.5
13 FLORIDA GOLD SEAL VOCATIONAL SCHOLARS												
14 INITIALS	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3
15 RENEWALS	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.1	\$0.3
16 TOTAL	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.4	\$0.5
17 FLORIDA GOLD SEAL CAPE SCHOLARS												
18 INITIALS	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3
19 RENEWALS	\$0.1	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.1	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.1	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2
20 TOTAL	\$0.3	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.3	\$0.5	\$0.4	\$0.5	\$0.3	\$0.5	\$0.4	\$0.5
21 ACADEMIC TOP SCHOLARS (ATS) STIPEND												
22 INITIALS	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1
23 RENEWALS	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2
24 TOTAL	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.0	\$0.3
25 ALL AWARD LEVELS												
26 INITIALS - Current Year	\$200.7	\$207.6	\$206.8	\$207.6	\$199.5	\$206.0	\$205.2	\$206.0	\$198.2	\$204.6	\$203.8	\$204.6
27 INITIALS - Early Summer Enrollments	\$8.3	\$8.7	\$9.5	\$8.7	\$8.3	\$8.6	\$9.5	\$8.6	\$8.3	\$8.6	\$9.9	\$8.6
28 RENEWALS - Current Year	\$414.4	\$425.6	\$420.9	\$425.6	\$423.9	\$436.1	\$435.2	\$436.1	\$429.2	\$441.7	\$441.1	\$441.7
29 TOTAL - Current Year	\$615.1	\$633.2	\$627.7	\$633.2	\$623.4	\$642.1	\$640.4	\$642.1	\$627.4	\$646.4	\$644.9	\$646.4
30 Reserve for Dropped Hours	\$3.4	\$3.5	\$3.4	\$3.5	\$3.4	\$3.5	\$3.5	\$3.5	\$3.4	\$3.5	\$3.5	\$3.5
31 TOTAL - Early Summer Enrollments	\$8.3	\$8.7	\$9.5	\$8.7	\$8.3	\$8.6	\$9.5	\$8.6	\$8.3	\$8.6	\$9.9	\$8.6
32 GRAND TOTAL	\$626.8	\$645.4	\$640.7	\$645.4	\$635.1	\$654.2	\$653.4	\$654.2	\$639.1	\$658.5	\$658.3	\$658.5
33 Total Cost - Above/Below August ESTIMATE		\$18.5	\$13.9	\$18.5		\$19.1	\$18.3	\$19.1		\$19.4	\$19.2	\$19.4



Effective Access to Student Education (EASE)  
Grants (formerly Florida Resident Access  
Grants)- Funded with Recurring Dollars  
FTE Awards History and Forecast

Institution	FY 2022-23	2023-24				2024-25				2025-26			
		August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New
1 Adventist University of Health Sciences	190	179	207	198	198	170	171	206	206	162	156	215	215
2 Al Miami Intntl Univ of Art and Design*	121	109				101				95			
3 Ave Maria University	328	324	351	347	347	320	324	360	360	316	320	374	374
4 Barry University	1,000	974	1,032	928	928	948	920	885	885	923	824	844	844
5 Beacon College	113	121	121	128	128	128	118	139	139	134	120	147	147
6 Bethune-Cookman College	1,480	1,426	1,572	1,461	1,461	1,374	1,332	1,442	1,442	1,324	1,298	1,423	1,423
7 Columbia College**		32				31				31			
8 Eckerd College	293	282	307	302	302	271	281	311	311	261	267	321	321
9 Edward Waters College	546	538	611	582	582	530	522	607	607	522	515	633	633
10 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	1,639	1,762	1,711	1,655	1,655	1,868	1,758	1,671	1,671	1,958	1,877	1,687	1,687
11 Everglades University	630	654	676	748	748	679	657	803	803	705	691	841	841
12 Flagler College	1,202	1,166	1,161	1,061	1,061	1,131	1,126	980	980	1,097	1,051	931	931
13 Florida College	143	137	155	152	152	131	139	158	158	125	140	164	164
14 Florida Institute of Technology	950	923	1,003	1,005	1,005	896	911	1,043	1,043	870	868	1,082	1,082
15 Florida Memorial University	427	408	552	749	749	390	407	892	892	373	448	1,002	1,002
16 Florida Southern College	1,437	1,428	1,484	1,409	1,409	1,419	1,427	1,382	1,382	1,411	1,406	1,355	1,355
17 Herzing University**		52	41	40	40	51	41	40	40	50	41	40	40
18 Hodges University	121	50	119	123	123	44	109	125	125	40	98	127	127
19 Jacksonville University	896	856	993	1,012	1,012	818	865	1,097	1,097	781	808	1,157	1,157
20 Johnson University	60	55	63	52	52								
21 Keiser University	6,107	5,948	6,286	6,379	6,379	5,792	5,919	6,663	6,663	5,640	5,684	6,960	6,960
22 Lynn University	727	755	758	737	737	784	759	747	747	814	784	757	757
23 Nova-Southeastern University	3,165	3,269	3,413	3,142	3,142	3,376	3,358	3,119	3,119	3,487	3,456	3,096	3,096
24 Palm Beach Atlantic University	1,002	986	1,065	985	985	971	964	968	968	956	915	952	952
25 Ringling School of Art & Design	384	374	398	386	386	364	368	388	388	354	344	390	390
26 Rollins College	1,181	1,142	1,229	1,170	1,170	1,104	1,137	1,159	1,159	1,067	1,083	1,148	1,148
27 Saint Leo University	1,843	1,832	1,785	1,578	1,578	1,821	1,801	1,431	1,431	1,810	1,744	1,344	1,344
28 South College**		151	59	57	57	149	59	57	57	147	59	57	57
29 South University - West Palm Beach	252	234	218	246	246	220	227	240	240	210	195	234	234
30 Southeastern University	1,650	1,598	1,768	1,672	1,672	1,549	1,549	1,694	1,694	1,501	1,438	1,717	1,717
31 St. Thomas University	1,009	1,091	1,076	1,037	1,037	1,162	1,110	1,066	1,066	1,223	1,178	1,096	1,096
32 Stetson University	1,462	1,406	1,358	1,284	1,284	1,352	1,363	1,182	1,182	1,300	1,242	1,121	1,121
33 The Baptist College of Florida	52	53	59	54	54	54	52	56	56	55	50	58	58
34 University of Miami	2,581	2,618	2,552	2,463	2,463	2,657	2,589	2,350	2,350	2,697	2,594	2,243	2,243
35 University of Tampa	1,384	1,331	1,442	1,483	1,483	1,280	1,318	1,552	1,552	1,231	1,244	1,624	1,624
36 Warner University	473	455	518	490	490	438	445	508	508	421	411	526	526
37 Webber International University	524	574	518	479	479	618	576	452	452	656	634	436	436
38 TOTAL FTE AWARDS	35,372	35,293	36,661	35,594	35,594	34,991	34,702	35,773	35,773	34,747	33,983	36,102	36,102
39 Year-to-Year Growth Rate	-4.3%	0.0%	3.6%	0.6%	0.6%	-0.9%	-5.3%	0.5%	0.5%	-0.7%	-2.1%	0.9%	0.9%
40 Maximum Award	\$2,000	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500
41 Cost (\$ millions)	\$70.7	\$123.5	\$128.3	\$124.6	\$124.6	\$122.5	\$121.5	\$125.2	\$125.2	\$121.6	\$118.9	\$126.4	\$126.4

42 Awards - Above/Below August ESTIMATE

43 Cost - Above/Below August ESTIMATE

1,368	301	301			(289)	782	782			(764)	1,355	1,355
\$4.8	\$1.1	\$1.1			-\$1.0	\$2.7	\$2.7			-\$2.7	\$4.7	\$4.7

\*Removed from EASE August 2023

\*\*Added to EASE during the 2023 session

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FTE Awards History and Forecast

Institution	2026-27				2027-28				2028-29			
	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New
1 Adventist University of Health Sciences	154	140	224	224	147	126	233	233	140	114	243	243
2 Al Miami Intnl Univ of Art and Design*	91				87				83			
3 Ave Maria University	312	316	388	388	308	308	403	403	304	303	418	418
4 Barry University	899	722	805	805	875	629	767	767	852	569	731	731
5 Beacon College	140	119	152	152	146	121	158	158	153	123	164	164
6 Bethune-Cookman College	1,276	1,263	1,405	1,405	1,229	1,237	1,387	1,387	1,184	1,183	1,369	1,369
7 Columbia College**	31				31				31			
8 Eckerd College	251	256	331	331	241	246	341	341	232	235	351	351
9 Edward Waters College	514	508	660	660	506	497	688	688	498	485	717	717
10 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	2,052	2,013	1,703	1,703	2,151	2,152	1,720	1,720	2,254	2,304	1,737	1,737
11 Everglades University	732	733	881	881	760	773	923	923	789	814	967	967
12 Flagler College	1,064	989	885	885	1,032	933	841	841	1,001	876	799	799
13 Florida College	119	142	171	171	114	147	178	178	109	148	185	185
14 Florida Institute of Technology	845	820	1,123	1,123	821	771	1,165	1,165	797	732	1,209	1,209
15 Florida Memorial University	356	467	1,083	1,083	340	470	1,140	1,140	325	482	1,179	1,179
16 Florida Southern College	1,403	1,368	1,329	1,329	1,395	1,335	1,303	1,303	1,387	1,311	1,278	1,278
17 Herzing University**	49	41	40	40	48	41	40	40	47	41	40	40
18 Hodges University	37	88	129	129	35	79	131	131	33	71	133	133
19 Jacksonville University	746	753	1,198	1,198	713	715	1,241	1,241	681	676	1,285	1,285
20 Johnson University												
21 Keiser University	5,492	5,372	7,270	7,270	5,348	5,126	7,594	7,594	5,208	4,907	7,932	7,932
22 Lynn University	845	811	767	767	877	836	778	778	911	866	789	789
23 Nova-Southeastern University	3,601	3,518	3,074	3,074	3,719	3,604	3,052	3,052	3,841	3,723	3,030	3,030
24 Palm Beach Atlantic University	941	853	936	936	926	810	920	920	912	768	904	904
25 Ringling School of Art & Design	344	325	392	392	335	315	394	394	335	300	394	394
26 Rollins College	1,031	1,024	1,137	1,137	997	976	1,126	1,126	964	931	1,116	1,116
27 Saint Leo University	1,799	1,674	1,291	1,291	1,788	1,628	1,240	1,240	1,777	1,578	1,191	1,191
28 South College**	145	59	57	57	143	59	57	57	141	59	57	57
29 South University - West Palm Beach	200	170	228	228	191	146	223	223	182	131	218	218
30 Southeastern University	1,455	1,329	1,740	1,740	1,410	1,226	1,763	1,763	1,366	1,138	1,787	1,787
31 St. Thomas University	1,274	1,296	1,126	1,126	1,327	1,426	1,157	1,157	1,382	1,568	1,189	1,189
32 Stetson University	1,250	1,110	1,084	1,084	1,202	1,002	1,048	1,048	1,156	913	1,013	1,013
33 The Baptist College of Florida	56	47	60	60	57	46	62	62	58	45	64	64
34 University of Miami	2,737	2,572	2,140	2,140	2,778	2,531	2,042	2,042	2,819	2,519	1,949	1,949
35 University of Tampa	1,184	1,188	1,700	1,700	1,139	1,135	1,779	1,779	1,095	1,080	1,862	1,862
36 Warner University	405	377	545	545	390	354	565	565	375	329	585	585
37 Webber International University	688	688	420	420	722	752	405	405	758	823	390	390
38 <b>TOTAL FTE AWARDS</b>	<b>34,518</b>	<b>33,152</b>	<b>36,474</b>	<b>36,474</b>	<b>34,328</b>	<b>32,552</b>	<b>36,864</b>	<b>36,864</b>	<b>34,180</b>	<b>32,145</b>	<b>37,275</b>	<b>37,275</b>
39 <b>Year-to-Year Growth Rate</b>	<b>-0.7%</b>	<b>-2.4%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>	<b>-1.8%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>	<b>-0.4%</b>	<b>-1.3%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>
40 <b>Maximum Award</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>
41 <b>Cost (\$ millions)</b>	<b>\$120.8</b>	<b>\$116.0</b>	<b>\$127.7</b>	<b>\$127.7</b>	<b>\$120.1</b>	<b>\$113.9</b>	<b>\$129.0</b>	<b>\$129.0</b>	<b>\$119.6</b>	<b>\$112.5</b>	<b>\$130.5</b>	<b>\$130.5</b>
42 Awards - Above/Below August ESTIMATE		(1,366)	1,956	1,956		(1,776)	2,536	2,536		(2,035)	3,095	3,095
43 Cost - Above/Below August ESTIMATE		-\$4.8	\$6.8	\$6.8		-\$6.2	\$8.9	\$8.9		-\$7.1	\$10.8	\$10.8

\*Removed from EASE August 2023  
\*\*Added to EASE during the 2023 session

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	FY 2022-23	2023-24				2024-25				2025-26			
		August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New
1 Initial Eligible Applicants	2,047	2,114	2,397	2,307	2,397	2,320	2,682	2,537	2,682	2,407	2,915	2,823	2,915
2 Initial Students Disbursed	1,602	1,601	1,822	1,762	1,822	1,756	2,042	1,937	2,042	1,831	2,239	2,156	2,239
3 Renewal Students Disbursed	1,925	2,440	2,524	2,513	2,524	2,775	2,992	3,046	2,992	3,152	3,430	3,551	3,430
4 Total Students	3,527	4,041	4,346	4,275	4,346	4,531	5,034	4,983	5,034	4,983	5,669	5,707	5,669
5													
6 Total Cost (\$ millions)	\$14.7	\$17.1	\$18.3	\$18.0	\$18.3	\$19.4	\$21.5	\$21.2	\$21.5	\$21.5	\$24.5	\$24.6	\$24.5
7 Increase over Prior Year (\$ millions)	\$3.2	\$2.4	\$3.6	\$3.3	\$0.0	\$2.3	\$3.2	\$3.2	\$2.1	\$2.1	\$3.0	\$3.4	\$3.0
8 Average Award	\$4,166	\$4,221	\$4,218	\$4,213	\$4,218	\$4,274	\$4,271	\$4,260	\$4,271	\$4,312	\$4,324	\$4,308	\$4,324
9													
10 Actual Appropriation	\$13.5	\$16.7	\$16.7	\$16.7	\$16.7								
11 Within/(Exceeds) Appropriation	(\$1.2)	(\$0.4)	(\$1.6)	(\$1.3)	(\$1.6)								
12													
13 Estimated Appropriation						\$19.4	\$21.5	\$21.2	\$21.5	\$21.5	\$24.5	\$24.6	\$24.5
14 Incremental Increase to Appropriation (row 10 or 13)						\$2.7	\$4.8	\$4.5	\$4.8	\$2.1	\$3.0	\$3.4	\$3.0
15													
15 % Increase in Initial Applicants	29.8%	3.3%	17.1%	12.7%	17.1%	9.7%	11.9%	10.0%	11.9%	3.8%	8.7%	11.3%	8.7%
16 % Initial Applicants Awarded	78.3%	75.7%	76.0%	76.4%	76.0%	75.7%	76.1%	76.4%	76.1%	76.1%	76.8%	76.4%	76.8%
17 % Students Renewing	70.0%	69.2%	71.6%	71.3%	71.6%	68.7%	68.8%	71.3%	68.8%	69.6%	68.1%	71.3%	68.1%
18 % Increase in Average Award	0.1%	1.3%	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%	1.3%	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%	0.9%	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%
19 % Increase in Total Students	28.2%	14.6%	23.2%	21.2%	23.2%	12.1%	15.8%	16.6%	15.8%	10.0%	12.6%	14.5%	12.6%
20 Awards - Above/Below August ESTIMATE			305	234	305		503	452	503		686	724	686
21 Cost - Above/Below August ESTIMATE			\$1.3	\$1.0	\$1.3		\$2.1	\$1.9	\$2.1		\$3.0	\$3.1	\$3.0

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	2026-27				2027-28				2028-29			
	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New
1 Initial Eligible Applicants	2,647	3,148	3,123	3,148	2,891	3,364	3,108	3,364	3,143	3,493	3,202	3,493
2 Initial Students Disbursed	2,013	2,403	2,385	2,403	2,199	2,571	2,373	2,571	2,391	2,673	2,445	2,673
3 Renewal Students Disbursed	3,556	3,867	4,067	3,867	3,974	4,275	4,597	4,275	4,405	4,636	4,967	4,636
4 Total Students	5,569	6,270	6,452	6,270	6,173	6,846	6,970	6,846	6,796	7,309	7,412	7,309
5												
6 Total Cost (\$ millions)	\$24.3	\$27.5	\$28.1	\$27.5	\$27.2	\$30.3	\$30.7	\$30.3	\$30.3	\$32.8	\$33.0	\$32.8
7 Increase over Prior Year (\$ millions)	\$2.8	\$2.9	\$3.5	\$3.2	\$2.9	\$2.9	\$2.6	\$3.1	\$3.1	\$2.5	\$2.3	\$2.5
8 Average Award	\$4,361	\$4,378	\$4,356	\$4,378	\$4,411	\$4,433	\$4,405	\$4,433	\$4,461	\$4,489	\$4,454	\$4,489
9												
10 Actual Appropriation												
11 Within/(Exceeds) Appropriation												
12												
13 Estimated Appropriation	\$24.3	\$27.5	\$28.1	\$27.5	\$27.2	\$30.3	\$30.7	\$30.3	\$30.3	\$32.8	\$33.0	\$32.8
14 Incremental Increase to Appropriation (row 10 or 13)	\$2.8	\$2.9	\$3.5	\$2.9	\$2.9	\$2.9	\$2.6	\$2.9	\$3.1	\$2.5	\$2.3	\$2.5
15 % Increase in Initial Applicants	10.0%	8.0%	10.6%	8.0%	9.2%	6.9%	-0.5%	6.9%	8.7%	3.8%	3.0%	3.8%
16 % Initial Applicants Awarded	76.1%	76.3%	76.4%	76.3%	76.1%	76.4%	76.3%	76.4%	76.1%	76.5%	76.3%	76.5%
17 % Students Renewing	71.4%	68.2%	71.3%	68.2%	71.4%	68.2%	71.3%	68.2%	71.4%	67.7%	71.3%	67.7%
18 % Increase in Average Award	1.1%	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%
19 % Increase in Total Students	11.8%	10.6%	13.1%	10.6%	10.8%	9.2%	8.0%	9.2%	10.1%	6.8%	6.3%	6.8%
20 Awards - Above/Below August ESTIMATE		701	882	701		673	797	673		513	616	513
21 Cost - Above/Below August ESTIMATE		\$3.2	\$3.8	\$3.2		\$3.1	\$3.5	\$3.1		\$2.5	\$2.7	\$2.5

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	FY 2022-23	2023-24				2024-25				2025-26			
		August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New
1 INITIAL STUDENTS - RESIDENTS	399	411	504	500	500	454	530	540	540	484	558	583	583
2 Average Cost of Attendance	\$22,549	\$22,667	\$22,667	\$23,802	\$23,802	\$22,810	\$22,750	\$24,071	\$24,071	\$22,942	\$22,837	\$24,343	\$24,343
3 Average National Corp. Award	\$773	\$777	\$777	\$838	\$838	\$773	\$784	\$838	\$838	\$773	\$785	\$838	\$838
4 Average Bright Futures Award	\$5,790	\$5,798	\$5,798	\$5,837	\$5,837	\$5,790	\$5,706	\$5,837	\$5,837	\$5,790	\$5,581	\$5,837	\$5,837
5 Average Initial Award	\$15,686	\$16,092	\$16,092	\$17,127	\$17,127	\$16,247	\$16,260	\$17,396	\$17,396	\$16,379	\$16,471	\$17,668	\$17,668
6 Cost for Initial Students	\$6.3	\$6.6	\$8.1	\$8.6	\$8.6	\$7.4	\$8.6	\$9.4	\$9.4	\$7.9	\$9.2	\$10.3	\$10.3
7 RENEWAL STUDENTS - RESIDENTS	1,065	1,111	1,111	1,103	1,103	1,172	1,223	1,218	1,218	1,241	1,343	1,336	1,336
8 Average Cost of Attendance	\$22,523	\$22,631	\$22,631	\$23,799	\$23,799	\$22,794	\$22,728	\$24,061	\$24,061	\$22,935	\$22,824	\$24,326	\$24,326
9 Average National Corp. Award	\$490	\$486	\$486	\$498	\$498	\$490	\$483	\$490	\$490	\$490	\$483	\$490	\$490
10 Average Bright Futures Award	\$4,805	\$4,868	\$4,868	\$4,888	\$4,888	\$4,843	\$4,635	\$4,805	\$4,805	\$4,843	\$4,650	\$4,805	\$4,805
11 Average Renewal Award	\$16,321	\$17,277	\$17,277	\$18,413	\$18,413	\$17,461	\$17,610	\$18,766	\$18,766	\$17,602	\$17,692	\$19,031	\$19,031
12 Cost for Renewal Students	\$17.4	\$19.2	\$19.2	\$20.3	\$20.3	\$20.5	\$21.5	\$22.9	\$22.9	\$21.8	\$23.8	\$25.4	\$25.4
13 NUMBER STUDENTS - RESIDENTS	1,464	1,521	1,615	1,603	1,603	1,626	1,753	1,758	1,758	1,725	1,902	1,919	1,919
14 PROGRAM COST - RESIDENTS	\$23.6	\$25.8	\$27.3	\$28.9	\$28.9	\$27.8	\$30.2	\$32.3	\$32.3	\$29.8	\$33.0	\$35.7	\$35.7
15 INITIAL STUDENTS - NONRESIDENTS													
16 Average Cost of Attendance													
17 Average National Corp. Award													
18 Average Bright Futures Award													
19 Average Initial Award													
20 Cost for Initial Students													
21 RENEWAL STUDENTS - NONRESIDENTS	484	437	437	373	373	293	340	285	285	223	188	217	217
22 Average Cost of Attendance	\$23,281	\$23,086	\$23,086	\$24,085	\$24,085	\$23,573	\$22,988	\$24,350	\$24,350	\$23,718	\$22,967	\$24,618	\$24,618
23 Average National Corp. Award	\$568	\$570	\$570	\$547	\$547	\$567	\$543	\$568	\$568	\$567	\$545	\$568	\$568
24 Average Bright Futures Award	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
25 Average Renewal Award	\$22,485	\$22,516	\$22,516	\$23,538	\$23,538	\$23,006	\$22,445	\$23,782	\$23,782	\$23,151	\$22,422	\$24,050	\$24,050
26 Cost for Renewal Students	\$10.9	\$9.8	\$9.8	\$8.8	\$8.8	\$6.7	\$7.6	\$6.8	\$6.8	\$5.2	\$4.2	\$5.2	\$5.2
27 NUMBER STUDENTS - NONRESIDENTS	484	437	437	373	373	293	340	285	285	223	188	217	217
28 PROGRAM COST - NONRESIDENTS	\$10.9	\$9.8	\$9.8	\$8.8	\$8.8	\$6.7	\$7.6	\$6.8	\$6.8	\$5.2	\$4.2	\$5.2	\$5.2
29 TOTAL NUMBER STUDENTS	1,948	1,959	2,052	1,976	1,976	1,919	2,093	2,043	2,043	1,948	2,089	2,136	2,136
30 TOTAL PROGRAM COST	\$34.5	\$35.6	\$37.1	\$37.7	\$37.7	\$34.6	\$37.8	\$39.0	\$39.0	\$34.9	\$37.2	\$40.9	\$40.9
31													
32 Actual Appropriation	\$36.4	\$34.7	\$34.7	\$34.7	\$34.7								
33 Within/Exceeds Appropriation	\$1.9	(\$0.9)	(\$2.4)	(\$3.0)	(\$3.0)								
34													
35 Estimated Appropriation						\$34.6	\$37.8	\$39.0	\$39.0	\$34.9	\$37.2	\$40.9	\$40.9
36 Incremental Increase to Appropriation (row 32 or 35)						-\$0.1	\$3.1	\$4.3	\$4.3	\$0.4	-\$0.6	\$1.9	\$1.9

37 Awards - Above/Below August ESTIMATE			93	17	17		174	124	124		141	188	188
38 Cost - Above/Below August ESTIMATE			\$1.5	\$2.0	\$2.0		\$3.2	\$4.4	\$4.4		\$2.2	\$6.0	\$6.0

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	2026-27				2027-28				2027-28			
	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New	August ESTIMATE	DOE	EDR	New
1 INITIAL STUDENTS - RESIDENTS	516	579	630	630	550	609	680	680	587	623	734	734
2 Average Cost of Attendance	\$23,075	\$22,911	\$24,618	\$24,618	\$23,208	\$22,957	\$24,896	\$24,896	\$23,342	\$22,993	\$25,177	\$25,177
3 Average National Corp. Award	\$773	\$792	\$838	\$838	\$773	\$794	\$838	\$838	\$773	\$796	\$838	\$838
4 Average Bright Futures Award	\$5,790	\$5,582	\$5,837	\$5,837	\$5,790	\$5,569	\$5,837	\$5,837	\$5,790	\$5,531	\$5,837	\$5,837
5 Average Initial Award	\$16,512	\$16,537	\$17,943	\$17,943	\$16,645	\$16,594	\$18,221	\$18,221	\$16,779	\$16,666	\$18,502	\$18,502
6 Cost for Initial Students	\$8.5	\$9.6	\$11.3	\$11.3	\$9.2	\$10.1	\$12.4	\$12.4	\$9.8	\$10.4	\$13.6	\$13.6
7 RENEWAL STUDENTS - RESIDENTS	1,316	1,437	1,458	1,458	1,398	1,568	1,587	1,587	1,486	1,643	1,723	1,723
8 Average Cost of Attendance	\$23,077	\$22,877	\$24,594	\$24,594	\$23,219	\$22,918	\$24,865	\$24,865	\$23,362	\$22,950	\$25,139	\$25,139
9 Average National Corp. Award	\$490	\$482	\$490	\$490	\$490	\$481	\$490	\$490	\$490	\$481	\$490	\$490
10 Average Bright Futures Award	\$4,843	\$4,660	\$4,805	\$4,805	\$4,843	\$4,606	\$4,805	\$4,805	\$4,843	\$4,597	\$4,805	\$4,805
11 Average Renewal Award	\$17,744	\$17,735	\$19,299	\$19,299	\$17,886	\$17,830	\$19,570	\$19,570	\$18,029	\$17,872	\$19,844	\$19,844
12 Cost for Renewal Students	\$23.4	\$25.5	\$28.1	\$28.1	\$25.0	\$28.0	\$31.1	\$31.1	\$26.8	\$29.4	\$34.2	\$34.2
13 NUMBER STUDENTS - RESIDENTS	1,832	2,017	2,088	2,088	1,948	2,176	2,267	2,267	2,073	2,267	2,457	2,457
14 PROGRAM COST - RESIDENTS	\$31.9	\$35.1	\$39.4	\$39.4	\$34.2	\$38.1	\$43.4	\$43.4	\$36.6	\$39.8	\$47.8	\$47.8
15 INITIAL STUDENTS - NONRESIDENTS												
16 Average Cost of Attendance												
17 Average National Corp. Award												
18 Average Bright Futures Award												
19 Average Initial Award												
20 Cost for Initial Students												
21 RENEWAL STUDENTS - NONRESIDENTS												
22 Average Cost of Attendance												
23 Average National Corp. Award												
24 Average Bright Futures Award												
25 Average Renewal Award												
26 Cost for Renewal Students												
27 NUMBER STUDENTS - NONRESIDENTS												
28 PROGRAM COST - NONRESIDENTS												
29 TOTAL NUMBER STUDENTS	1,832	2,017	2,088	2,088	1,948	2,176	2,267	2,267	2,073	2,267	2,457	2,457
30 TOTAL PROGRAM COST	\$31.9	\$35.1	\$39.4	\$39.4	\$34.2	\$38.1	\$43.4	\$43.4	\$36.6	\$39.8	\$47.8	\$47.8
31												
32 Actual Appropriation												
33 Within(Exceeds) Appropriation												
34												
35 Estimated Appropriation	\$31.9	\$35.1	\$39.4	\$39.4	\$34.2	\$38.1	\$43.4	\$43.4	\$36.6	\$39.8	\$47.8	\$47.8
36 Incremental Increase to Appropriation (row 32 or 35)	-\$3.1	-\$2.1	-\$1.5	-\$1.5	\$2.3	\$3.0	\$4.0	\$4.0	\$2.5	\$1.7	\$4.3	\$4.3

37 Awards - Above/Below August ESTIMATE 185 256 256 228 319 319 194 384 384

38 Cost - Above/Below August ESTIMATE \$3.2 \$7.6 \$7.6 \$3.9 \$9.3 \$9.3 \$3.1 \$11.1 \$11.1

**Supplemental Handout - Enrollment**

	FY 2022-2023		FY 2023-2024	
	August Conference	End-of-Year	August Conference	Term 1*
Bright Futures				
Current Year	117,160	117,178	115,269	113,750
Initials	32,897	32,899	33,275	33,294
Renewals	84,263	84,279	81,994	80,456
Early Summer**	6,328	6,330	6,877	7,077
Effective Access to Student Education (EASE)	35,308	35,372	35,293	36,694
Spouses and Dependent Children of Deceased or Disabled Servicemembers (CSDDV)	3,512	3,527	4,041	3,821
Benacquisto Scholarship	1,948	1,948	1,959	1,954

\* Term 1 data is for Fall

\*\* Early Summer uses Term 0 data