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Public Institutions of Higher Education

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Director, Financial Aid Services

DATE: June 23, 2020

RE: FY 2021 Educational Aide Exemption 10-Day Allocation Data Review

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) announces the 10-day allocation data review for the 2020-21 (FY 2021) Educational Aide Exemption (EAE) program for public institutions.

State agencies have been directed to submit a plan that reduces their 2020-21 biennial appropriations by 5%. The attached spreadsheet reflects the reduction plan that the THECB submitted to the Legislative Budget Board. Institutions will be informed of final allocations once the THECB has received approval of the plan.

The allocation rule (19 TAC, Section 21.1086) requires a 10-day review period so that institutions may evaluate the data in the enclosed attachment: "FY 2021 EAE Preliminary Allocation Calculation Data with Reduction." The preliminary allocation calculation is based on data institutions submitted on the Opt-In/Opt-Out survey for state financial aid programs due Feb. 28, 2020.

As part of the 10-day review process, an institution may choose to Opt-In/Opt-Out of the EAE program for FY 2021. Please review the enclosed data and notify Financial Aid Services staff of any discrepancies by close of business **July 7**, **2020** through the online <u>CONTACT US</u> portal (select "Financial Aid Question" as the Contact Reason). The THECB will assume that a non-response from an institution confirms that the school's data is accurate.

Enclosed:

FY 2021 EAE Preliminary Allocation Calculation Data with Reduction Opt-In/Opt-Out for State Financial Aid - 2020-21 (FY 2021)

cc: Presidents and Chancellors of Public Institutions of Higher Education