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RE: FY 2021 Work-Study Student Mentorship Program 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) Work-Study Student Mentorship Program (WSMP) at public and private/independent institutions. The Texas College Work-Study Program appropriation supports the Texas College Work-Study, the WSMP, and the Texas WORKS Internship Programs. This allocation data review is specifically for the WSMP.

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 22.133(b)) requires a 10-day review period so that institutions may evaluate the data in the enclosed attachment: "FY 2021 WSMP Preliminary Allocation Calculation Data with Reduction." The preliminary allocation calculation is based on data institutions submitted on the FY 2019 Financial Aid Database report and 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 WSMP program for FY 2021. Please review the enclosed data and notify Financial Aid Services staff of any discrepancies by **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 WSMP Preliminary Allocation Calculation Data with Reduction Opt-In/Opt-Out for State Financial Aid - 2020-21 (FY 2021)