## 2020 ISFAA-ICHE Webinar Series

Program Overview: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Scholarship, Frank O'Bannon Grant, and Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship

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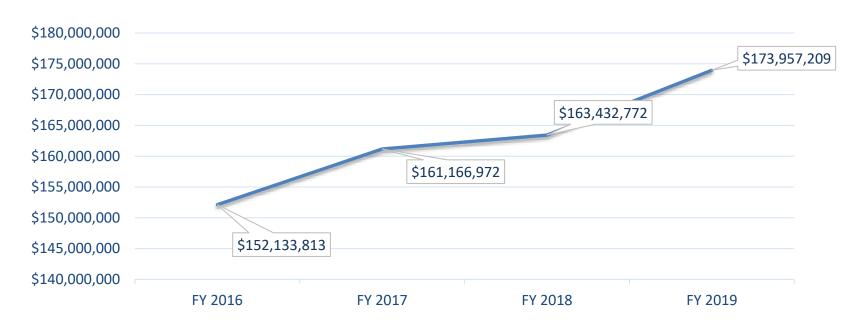
Associate Commissioner for Student Financial Aid

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# 21<sup>st</sup> Century Scholars

## Total Expenditures: \$173,957,209

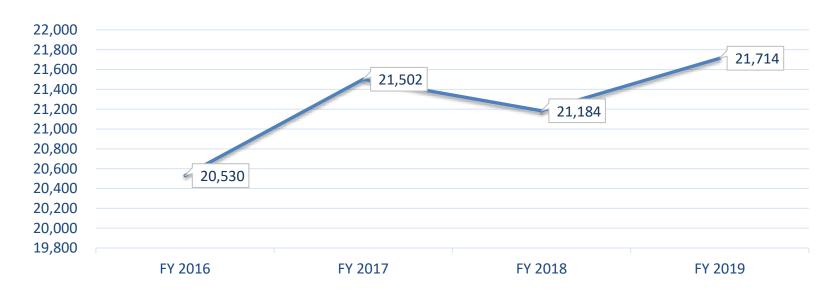
#### **Total Expenditures by Fiscal Year**





## **Total Recipients: 21,714 recipients**

#### **Total Recipients by Fiscal Year**





- Parents/guardians must enroll student in 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade
  - Exception: foster youth may enroll through high school graduation
  - Applications are submitted via ScholarTrack
- Must be U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen
- Must be Indiana resident
- Must complete the Scholar Success Program in high school
- Must graduate high school with at least a Core 40 diploma and at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA
- Can only be used for tuition and regularly assessed fees



- Must file the FAFSA by April 15<sup>th</sup> each year
- Must continue to demonstrate financial need in college
- Must meet Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)
- Must enroll full time
  - Unless the student is in the final term of their degree program
  - Exceptions also exist during the summer
- Must earn at least 30 credit hours each year to renew



#### How is the award created?

- First Year Students
  - High School GPA and Diploma Type must be reported in ScholarTrack.
  - Student must have filed the FAFSA on time by April 15<sup>th.</sup>
  - Student must pass the Financial Means Test based on their FAFSA.
  - Student must have completed the High School Scholar Success Program.

#### Renewing Students

- Student must have earned 30 credit hours (between the first term claimed and the end of 12 months).
- Student must be meeting SAP as determined by their institution.
- Student must have filed the FAFSA on time by April 15<sup>th.</sup>
- Student must pass the Financial Means Test based on their FAFSA.



#### Financial Means Test:

- Beginning with the high school graduating class of 2020, the Commission will begin using household size and income on the FAFSA to administer the Financial Means Test for 21st Century Scholars. The threshold will be set at 370 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). Like the current process for administering the Financial Means Test, Scholars will not have to submit any additional forms to the Commission besides filing the FAFSA.
- Scholars who graduated from high school before 2020 and who are subject to the Financial Means Test still will be held to the \$24,570 EFC threshold until the 2023-2024 academic year.
- This change to the Financial Means Test will impact student award offers beginning with the 2020-2021 award year.



The 21st Century Scholars program will use income and family size reported on the FAFSA, so students and families **do not** need to submit additional information, other than filing the FAFSA. The 2020-2021 FAFSA will use 2018 income, so 2020 graduates will use their 2018 income information to determine financial eligibility. Below outlines the maximum income by family size for 2020 graduates:

Family Size	370% of the 2018 Federal Poverty Level
1	\$44,918
2	\$60,902
3	\$76,886
4	\$92,870

Add \$15,984 for each additional family member

Students who exceed the maximum income amount are no longer eligible to receive the 21st Century Scholars. But, students may receive a one-time award of up to \$2,500.



- Students who never used 21st will be offered a \$2,500 award still, but will no longer be eligible for 21st in future award years. The students will remain enrolled in 21st until the end of the award year they were first removed; once that award year end at award expiration, ScholarTrack permanently removes the student from 21st (they won't appear as a Scholar on the files any longer).
- If the student previously received 21st, but then in a subsequent year is removed due to the means test, the same process described above occurs except the student will not be offered the \$2,500 one-time award.



- Household size will be pulled using the "Parents' Number of Family Members" (ISIR Field #94) for dependent students and "Student's Number of Family Members" (ISIR Field #128) for independent students.
- Household income will be pulled using "FISAP Total Income" (ISIR Field #329).
- We will be subtracting Veteran Noneducation Benefits (ISIR Field #62 and #129 for dependent students, just #62 for independent students) from FISAP Total Income.



On the Information Files, the "21st – Subject to Financial Means Test" field will be "Y" for any Scholar who enrolled in the 2011-2012 application year or later with an income application (not the foster care or legal guardianship applications). Because Pell Eligibility can change from year to year, these students will appear as "Y" if otherwise subject to means testing, but will not be removed from the program so long as their Pell Grant Eligibility Flag = Y regardless of their FISAP Total income.



#### How is the award amount determined

- Covers full tuition for public institutions
- Covers partial tuition at private and proprietary institutions
  - The scholarship amount at a private institution is the average of tuition and regularly assessed fees of the four-year public institutions in the state of Indiana.
  - The scholarship amount at a proprietary institution is the equivalent of what is offered to lvy Tech Community College students.
- If the student would qualify for a larger Frank O'Bannon Grant amount, then the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Scholarship is increased to match the Frank O'Bannon Grant amount.

#### How to claim or refund the award

- Via the Awards Widget on the Student Details page;
- Via the Claim File, which you can request directly through ScholarTrack.



#### Fast Track:

- First, Second, Third Award Years: Complete 30 credits in current award year and then attempt at least 6 more credits, or enroll in a highly accelerated degree program.
- 25%, 50%, or 100% larger award offer in current award year
- Students will use 25, 50, or 100 additional eligibility units based on enrollment status (25 for half-time, 50 for full-time, 100 for "double time").

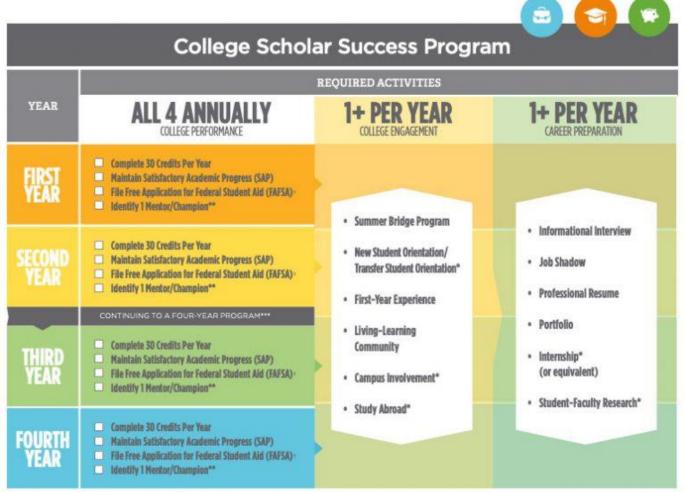


## College Scholar Success Program

- Beginning in 2020-2021, Scholars who graduated high school in 2019 or later must complete the College Scholar Success Program
- Each year, Scholars must complete the following activities:
  - College Engagement activity (Summer Bridge, First-Year Experience, Campus Involvement, etc.)
  - Career Preparation activity (Informational Interview, Professional Resume, Internship, Student-Faculty Research, etc.)
  - Identify a Mentor/Champion



## College Scholar Success Program



<sup>\*</sup>Filing the FAFSA during the fourth/senior year is only necessary if the student intends to continue to additional education, such as graduate school

<sup>\*</sup>Activity may be repeated/sustained for multiple academic years to satisfy 21st Century Scholarship renewal requirement.

\*\*All 21st Century Scholars—with support from Indiana colleges and the state—will identify at least one personal mentor/champion who will help guide

and support them through college completion and into the workforce.

\*\*\*Students continuing to a four-year program must complete requirements through graduation.

## **Order of Aid Application**

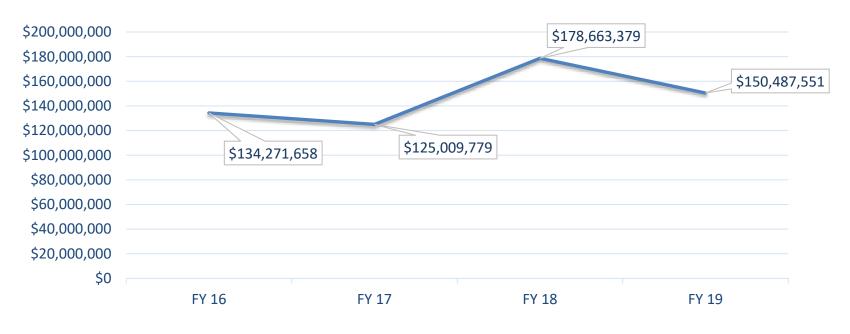
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## Total Expenditures: \$150,487,551

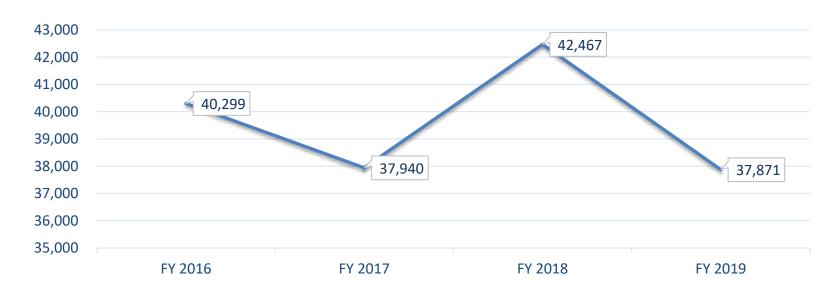
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## **Total Recipients: 37,871 recipients**

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#### **BASE AWARD**

EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC)																					
INSTITUTION TYPE		\$0	\$1 to \$500	\$501 to \$1,000	\$1,001 to \$1,500	\$1,501 to \$2,000	\$2,001 to \$2,500	\$2,501 to \$3,000	\$3,001 to \$3,500	\$3,501 to \$4,000	\$4,001 to \$4,500	\$4,501 to \$5,000	\$5,001 to \$5,500	\$5,501 to \$6,000	\$6,001 to \$6,500	\$6,501 to \$7,000	\$7,001 to \$7,500	\$7,501 to \$8,000	\$8,001 to \$8,500	\$8,501 to \$9,000	
Private	On-Time	\$9,000	\$8,750	\$8,250	\$7,750	\$7,250	\$6,750	\$6,250	\$5,750	\$5,250	\$4,750	\$4,250	\$3,750	\$3,250	\$2,750	\$2,250	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
	Full-Time	\$7,400	\$7,150	\$6,650	\$6,150	\$5,650	\$5,150	\$4,650	\$4,150	\$3,650	\$3,150	\$2,650	\$2,150	\$1,650	\$1,150	\$650	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Public	On-Time	\$4,500	\$4,250	\$3,750	\$3,250	\$2,750	\$2,250	\$1,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	Not Eligible for Frank O'Bannon Grant									
	Full-Time	\$3,700	\$3,450	\$2,950	\$2,450	\$1,950	\$1,450	\$950	\$0	\$0	\$0	Not Eligible for Frank O'Bannon Grant									
Proprietary	On-Time	\$3,400	\$3,150	\$2,650	\$2,150	\$1,650	\$1,150	\$0	\$0	Not Eligible for Frank O'Bannon Grant											
or Ivy Tech	Full-Time	\$2,900	\$2,650	\$2,150	\$1,650	\$1,150	\$650	\$0	\$0	Not Eligible for Frank O'Bannon Grant											

- Students in their first award year will receive the on-time award amount.
- To renew an **on-time** award, students must complete at least **30 credit hours\*** during their 12-month award year.
- Students failing to complete 30 credits hours\* during their 12-month award year, but completing at least 24 credit hours\* may receive a full-time amount.
- Credit hours earned in excess of 30 during an award year may be counted toward future credit completion requirements. Students may also use international baccalaureate, advanced placement ordual credit hours to meet credit completion requirements.

\*or the equivalent.

BASE AWARD + STUDENT PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE(S) = TOTAL STATE FINANCIAL AID AWARD



## STUDENT PERFORMANCE INCENTIVES

#### **✓** ACADEMIC HONORS

\$800

First Award Year Only: Graduate high school with Academic or Technical Honors diploma.

Second, Third, Fourth Award Years: Earn at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA through end of previous award year.

#### **✓** ASSOCIATE DEGREE

\$800

First, Second, Third, Fourth Award Years: Earn an associate degree before enrolling in bachelor's degree program.

#### ✓ ACCELERATED SCHEDULE \$1300

Second, Third Award Years: Complete at least 39 credit hours during the last award year.

#### FAST TRACK Up to 100% more aid for current award year

First, Second, Third Award Years: Complete 30 credits in current award year and then attempt at least 6 more credits.

Student with financial need may earn student performance incentives even if his or her base award is \$0.

- Students may receive a Base award, Student Performance Incentives, or a combination of a Base Award + Student Performance Incentives based on their FAFSA and GPA, Credit Hours earned, and/or whether they have earned an Associate Degree prior to enrolling in a Bachelor's Degree Program.
- Students may not be eligible for a Base award based on EFC but can still receive Student Performance Incentives if they demonstrate some financial need.



- Academic Honors Incentive:
  - First Award Year Only:
    - Graduate high school with Academic or Technical Honors diploma.
  - Second, Third, Fourth Award Years:
    - Earn at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA through end of previous award year.
  - Students may still receive this incentive even if they are not eligible for a Base award.



- Associate Degree Incentive:
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- Accelerated Schedule Incentive:
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# Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship

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- Students complete the application for the MDEGS in ScholarTrack via their Student ScholarTrack account.
- Students must also file a FAFSA by the Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship application deadline.
- Students are awarded \$4,000 and the full amount must be claimed in the Fall semester. The amount is not restricted by Cost of Attendance. The Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship must first be used toward student's educational costs, and any remaining funds shall be remitted to the students.



## Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship

- The Indiana Department of Education reviews all MDEGS apps submitted.
- The program requirements are as follows:
  - Must be an Indiana resident and a U.S. Citizen or eligible non-citizen
  - Applicants must have had legal settlement (as defined by <u>IC 20-18- 2-11</u>) in Indiana for at least the last two semesters prior to graduating from high school.
  - Must have attended a publicly supported high school on a full-time equivalency basis for at least the last two semesters before the student graduated.
  - Must have been awarded a minimum of a Core 40 high school diploma by the end of grade 11, including any summer course work completed by July 1 of the year of graduation.
  - Must not have been enrolled in a publicly supported high school for any part of a fourth year (grade 12).
  - Must enroll as a full-time, degree-seeking student at an eligible institution not later than the fall semester (or its equivalent, as determined by the Commission) in the academic year immediately following the year in which the student graduates from high school.



# Questions?

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