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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: FY 2023 Pell Grant Recipients in Maryland Colleges and Universities

The U.S. Department of Education offers federal grants to students attending four-year colleges and universities and community colleges. The largest among them, the Federal Pell Grant program, issues grants to undergraduate students who display exceptional financial need and have not earned an undergraduate degree. In addition, incarcerated individuals enrolled in approved prison education programs can be eligible for Federal Pell Grants.

In Maryland, several statutory requirements¹ rely on calculated rates of those who receive Pell grants at Maryland colleges and universities. The Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC), which receives statewide postsecondary data, has calculated these rates for FY 2023.²

This memo contains data tables for Maryland's public and state-aided independent colleges and universities. The tables show the institution, the calculated rates, the counts of students identified as having received a Pell Grant in the given year³ and the counts of students identified as undergraduate students⁴ (enrolled in credit-bearing courses by the census date of a given academic term).

This memo, along with the Excel data tables accompanying this memo, will be published on the MHEC website.

¹ This includes Education Articles §18–2701, §18–307, and §18–3602; Tax Article §10–740; and, Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis Article §36–101

² Due to a time lag between the data collection and reporting periods, the most recent year of data MHEC can report is FY 2023 (July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023).

³ Data source: Maryland Higher Education Commission, Financial Aid Information System

⁴ Data source: Maryland Higher Education Commission, Enrollment Information System

Community Colleges FY2023

Institution	Calculated Pell rate	Total Pell Recipients	Total undergraduate students
Allegany College of Maryland	43.5%	893	2,054
Anne Arundel Community College	20.1%	2384	11,857
Carroll Community College	19.9%	507	2,547
Cecil College	32.9%	541	1,644
College of Southern Maryland	25.1%	1375	5,478
Chesapeake College	34.2%	562	1,643
Community College of Baltimore County	32.4%	5759	17,759
Baltimore City Community College	41.4%	1712	4,135
Frederick Community College	24.3%	1215	4,997
Garrett College	45.0%	194	431
Hagerstown Community College	37.2%	1254	3,374
Harford Community College	25.7%	1212	4,715
Howard Community College	30.5%	2808	9,204
Montgomery College	25.0%	4898	19,566
Prince George's Community College	34.3%	3922	11,443
Wor-Wic Community College	49.0%	1212	2,474

Public Four Year Institutions FY2023

Institution	Calculated Pell rate	Total Pell Recipients	Total undergraduate students
Bowie State University	44.9%	2637	5,867
Coppin State University	52.9%	991	1,875
Frostburg State University	32.5%	1134	3,492
Salisbury University	24.4%	1624	6,650
Towson University	33.1%	5956	18,004
University of Baltimore	34.9%	580	1,660
University of Maryland, Baltimore	24.3%	289	1,187
University of Maryland, Baltimore County	28.6%	3322	11,619
University of Maryland, College Park	18.8%	6006	31,963
University of Maryland Eastern Shore	52.1%	1075	2,062
University of Maryland University College	25.8%	16908	65,472
Morgan State University	52.1%	4328	8,308
St. Mary's College of Maryland	20.3%	316	1,557

State-Aided Independent Institutions FY 2023

Institution	Calculated Pell rate	Total Pell Recipients	Total undergraduate students
Capitol Technology University	33.8%	111	328
Washington Adventist University	47.4%	266	561
Goucher College	32.6%	382	1,171
Hood College	35.2%	437	1,243
Johns Hopkins University	18.6%	1204	6,457
Loyola University Maryland	17.7%	717	4,049
Maryland Institute College of Art	20.0%	300	1,502
Mount St. Mary's University	27.1%	520	1,917
Notre Dame of Maryland University	29.6%	220	744
St. John's College	22.3%	107	479
Stevenson University	28.0%	897	3,203
Washington College	18.5%	182	983
McDaniel College	32.2%	594	1,843

Data sources: Maryland Higher Education Commission, Enrollment Information System
Maryland Higher Education Commission, Financial Aid Information System

The data used are de-identified unit record data (name, address, and other Personally Identifiable Information are stripped), which are merged using a scrambled unique identifier based on institutional submissions. These data may undercount outcomes due to inaccurate unique identifier data provided by the institution.

All figures are correct as of time of publication.

Data include all degree- and non-degree-seeking students enrolled in credit courses. The data include those enrolled by the census date of a given academic term

Students may be enrolled at more than one institution. They are included in enrollment figures for each institution at which they are enrolled.

Enrollment data for this analysis represent student enrollments as of the institution's official term freeze/census date, which typically represents the final date of which students may register for classes.

Undergraduate students include first-time enrollments, as well as those who re-enroll and transfer students.

Pell enrollment figures include undergraduate students receiving Pell awards during FY 2023 who were enrolled during the fall, winter and/or spring terms of FY2023 (those solely enrolled in summer were not included). Students may have received a Pell grant at more than one institution; they are included in figures at each institution at which they received the award.