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Background.

- **2022 High School Graduates.** The Longleaf Commitment Community College Grant Program (Longleaf) was included in Session Law 2021-180, Section 8A.5 and was funded with State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF). The legislation directed the State Education Assistance Authority (SEAA) to administer the grant program for grants to eligible students graduating from high school or receiving a high school equivalency diploma during the 2021-2022 school year to cover tuition and fees at a community college for up to two years. The goal of the grant program was to help students who graduated from a North Carolina high school during the COVID-19 pandemic recover learning and persist through to degree attainment.
- **2023 High School Graduates.** In Session Law 2023-134, Section 8A.7 provided funding for the Longleaf Commitment Grant Program from the Escheat Fund and the General Fund to continue Longleaf for eligible students graduating from high school or receiving a high school equivalency during the 2022-2023 school year to cover tuition and fees at a community college for up to two years.

Eligibility. In addition to graduating from high school or receiving a high school equivalency diploma, eligible students must also meet the following criteria:

- (1) Qualify as a resident for tuition purposes under the criteria set forth in G.S. 116-143.1 and in accordance with the coordinated and centralized residency determination process administered by SEAA.
- (2) Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year.
- (3) Have an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) below fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000).
- (4) Enrolls in the fall or spring semester following high school graduation or receiving a high school equivalency and maintain enrollment in at least six credit hours per semester in curriculum courses at a community college.

Award Amounts. Grants awarded under the Program are for a minimum amount of \$700 per eligible student with a maximum grant of up to \$2,800 per eligible student per year for up to two years, which includes cost of tuition and a fee allowance.

Reporting. For both high school cohorts, SEAA was directed to submit initial and final reports that include, for each academic year, the amount of grant funds disbursed and the number of eligible students receiving funds.

2022 High School Graduates: 2023-2024 Awards. For the 2023-2024 academic year, SEAA disbursed a total of **\$3,427,030** to **5,394** eligible students.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE	# OF STUDENTS	AVERAGE AWARD	TOTAL
ALAMANCE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	113	\$621.60	\$70,241.00
ASHEVILLE BUNCOMBE TECHNICAL CC	101	\$558.23	\$56,382.00
BEAUFORT COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	32	\$470.87	\$15,068.00
BLADEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	6	\$583.16	\$3,499.00
BLUE RIDGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	30	\$544.50	\$16,335.00
BRUNSWICK COMMUNITY COLLEGE	66	\$637.21	\$42,056.00
CALDWELL CC AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTE	109	\$715.47	\$77,987.00
CAPE FEAR COMMUNITY COLLEGE	160	\$635.48	\$101,677.00
CARTERET COMMUNITY COLLEGE	29	\$799.62	\$23,189.00
CATAWBA VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	57	\$515.82	\$29,402.00
CENTRAL CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	166	\$615.40	\$102,158.00
CENTRAL PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	227	\$612.57	\$139,054.00
CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	88	\$650.77	\$57,268.00
COASTAL CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	49	\$546.40	\$26,774.00
COLLEGE OF THE ALBEMARLE	41	\$763.17	\$31,290.00
CRAVEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	61	\$587.22	\$35,821.00
DAVIDSON DAVIE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	129	\$685.39	\$88,416.00
DURHAM TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	121	\$539.63	\$65,296.00
EDGECOMBE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	33	\$501.15	\$16,538.00
FAYETTEVILLE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	133	\$634.48	\$84,386.00
FORSYTH TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	262	\$603.80	\$158,196.00
GASTON COLLEGE	136	\$612.68	\$83,325.00
GUILFORD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	361	\$585.15	\$211,242.00
HALIFAX COMMUNITY COLLEGE	19	\$538.10	\$10,224.00
HAYWOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE	41	\$693.60	\$28,438.00
ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	77	\$578.05	\$44,510.00
JAMES SPRUNT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	51	\$552.49	\$28,177.00
JOHNSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	104	\$675.50	\$70,253.00
LENOIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE	77	\$630.83	\$48,574.00
MARTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	17	\$571.35	\$9,713.00
MAYLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	16	\$525.00	\$8,400.00
MCDOWELL TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	16	\$524.93	\$8,399.00
MITCHELL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	84	\$678.79	\$57,019.00
MONTGOMERY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	15	\$688.40	\$10,326.00
NASH COMMUNITY COLLEGE	97	\$614.71	\$59,627.00

COMMUNITY COLLEGE	# OF STUDENTS	AVERAGE AWARD	TOTAL
PAMLICO COMMUNITY COLLEGE	6	\$460.50	\$2,763.00
PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	32	\$619.93	\$19,838.00
PITT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	269	\$646.11	\$173,806.00
RANDOLPH COMMUNITY COLLEGE	99	\$682.52	\$67,570.00
RICHMOND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	43	\$620.09	\$26,664.00
ROANOKE-CHOWAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	3	\$612.33	\$1,837.00
ROBESON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	42	\$535.42	\$22,488.00
ROCKINGHAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE	7	\$371.57	\$2,601.00
ROWAN-CABARRUS COMMUNITY COLLEGE	159	\$657.91	\$104,608.00
SAMPSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	31	\$660.54	\$20,477.00
SANDHILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE	115	\$672.13	\$77,295.00
SOUTH PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	56	\$618.32	\$34,626.00
SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	50	\$650.88	\$32,544.00
SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	42	\$562.52	\$23,626.00
STANLY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	39	\$489.10	\$19,075.00
SURRY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	109	\$657.29	\$71,645.00
TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	26	\$605.76	\$15,750.00
VANCE-GRANVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	35	\$601.08	\$21,038.00
WAKE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	806	\$695.54	\$560,612.00
WAYNE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	109	\$721.44	\$78,637.00
WESTERN PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	56	\$630.16	\$35,289.00
WILKES COMMUNITY COLLEGE	105	\$725.87	\$76,217.00
WILSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	31	\$605.29	\$18,764.00
TOTALS	5,394	\$635.34	\$3,427,030.00

2023 High School Graduates: 2023-2024 Awards. For the 2023-2024 academic year, SEAA disbursed a total of **\$6,464,100** to **10,250** eligible students.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE	# OF AWARDS	AVERAGE AWARD	TOTAL
ALAMANCE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	206	\$581.46	\$119,781.00
ASHEVILLE BUNCOMBE TECHNICAL CC	266	\$549.33	\$146,122.00
BEAUFORT COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	92	\$596.30	\$54,860.00
BLADEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	6	\$568.83	\$3,413.00
BLUE RIDGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	60	\$319.31	\$19,159.00
BRUNSWICK COMMUNITY COLLEGE	29	\$483.58	\$14,024.00
CALDWELL CC AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTE	203	\$659.96	\$133,972.00
CAPE FEAR COMMUNITY COLLEGE	208	\$816.28	\$169,787.00
CARTERET COMMUNITY COLLEGE	70	\$709.07	\$49,635.00
CATAWBA VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	120	\$801.43	\$96,172.00

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CENTRAL CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	369	\$662.77	\$244,564.00
CENTRAL PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	336	\$816.61	\$274,383.00
CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	170	\$637.33	\$108,347.00
COASTAL CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	175	\$560.06	\$98,012.00
COLLEGE OF THE ALBEMARLE	127	\$706.39	\$89,712.00
CRAVEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	107	\$631.24	\$67,543.00
DAVIDSON DAVIE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	224	\$716.89	\$160,585.00
DURHAM TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	63	\$634.09	\$39,948.00
EDGECOMBE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	14	\$1,031.21	\$14,437.00
FAYETTEVILLE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	128	\$367.08	\$46,987.00
FORSYTH TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	649	\$599.18	\$388,871.00
GASTON COLLEGE	270	\$681.68	\$184,054.00
GUILFORD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	917	\$540.37	\$495,520.00
HALIFAX COMMUNITY COLLEGE	40	\$540.30	\$21,612.00
HAYWOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE	73	\$755.72	\$55,168.00
ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	160	\$645.66	\$103,307.00
JAMES SPRUNT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	118	\$652.41	\$76,985.00
JOHNSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	393	\$699.32	\$274,836.00
LENOIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE	61	\$747.95	\$45,625.00
MARTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	28	\$707.03	\$19,797.00
MAYLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	46	\$664.10	\$30,549.00
MCDOWELL TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	57	\$610.89	\$34,821.00
MITCHELL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	186	\$630.22	\$117,222.00
MONTGOMERY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	68	\$545.41	\$37,088.00
NASH COMMUNITY COLLEGE	147	\$336.23	\$49,427.00
PAMLICO COMMUNITY COLLEGE	9	\$525.11	\$4,726.00
PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	26	\$670.19	\$17,425.00
PITT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	629	\$594.74	\$374,097.00
RANDOLPH COMMUNITY COLLEGE	176	\$578.96	\$101,897.00
RICHMOND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	127	\$605.63	\$76,916.00
ROANOKE-CHOWAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
ROBESON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	156	\$586.59	\$91,509.00
ROCKINGHAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE	75	\$531.00	\$39,825.00
ROWAN-CABARRUS COMMUNITY COLLEGE	156	\$701.26	\$109,398.00
SAMPSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	121	\$804.95	\$97,399.00
SANDHILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE	249	\$697.44	\$173,665.00
SOUTH PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	170	\$612.73	\$104,165.00
SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	26	\$511.50	\$13,299.00
SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	92	\$583.94	\$53,723.00
STANLY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	67	\$529.98	\$35,509.00

COMMUNITY COLLEGE	# OF AWARDS	AVERAGE AWARD	TOTAL
SURRY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	104	\$702.10	\$73,019.00
TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	51	\$645.76	\$32,934.00
VANCE-GRANVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	85	\$495.88	\$42,150.00
WAKE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE	980	\$629.56	\$616,973.00
WAYNE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	248	\$684.60	\$169,782.00
WESTERN PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE	154	\$667.75	\$102,834.00
WILKES COMMUNITY COLLEGE	304	\$704.08	\$214,041.00
WILSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	59	\$550.66	\$32,489.00
TOTALS	10,250	\$630.64	\$6,464,100.00