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## Memorandum

TO: The Honorable Charles J. Colgan Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

> The Honorable Lacey E. Putney Chairman, House Appropriations Committee

FROM: Daniel J. LaVista

DATE: May 15, 2009

SUBJECT: Update on the Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program

Chapter 781, 2009 Virginia Acts of Assembly requires that the State Council of Higher Education receive reports of eligible students from public institutions of higher education for the Virginia Military Survivors and Dependent Education Program. Specifically, Item 147.G. states as follows:

Each institution of higher education shall report the number of recipients for this program to the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia by April 1 of each year. The State Council of Higher Education for Virginia shall report this information to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees by May 15 of each year.

In accordance with this requirement, please find the attached report, which summarizes our findings. Out of the \$1,000,000 appropriation for the fiscal year, the records reflect a total of 858 unique recipients and \$924,463 combined in fall and spring terms of 2008-09. Another \$75,537 was received by 169 of the 172 students whose awards were posted in summer 2008.

Due to the number of eligible recipients, individual awards were reduced by 15 percent for spring 2009 and two eligible students were unfunded for the spring term. Further, in anticipation of participation growth, the 2009-10 awards have been reduced by 10 percent.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Lee Andes, Assistant Director of Financial Aid, at (804) 225-2614 or <u>leeandes@schev.edu</u>.

Attachment

c: The Honorable Thomas R. Morris, Secretary of Education Daniel S. Timberlake, Director, Department of Planning and Budget Vince Burgess, Commissioner, Department of Veteran's Services Steven Combs, Department of Veteran's Services Tony Maggio, House Appropriations Committee April Kees, Senate Finance Committee

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	Fall 2008		Spring 2009		Total			er 2008
	Number	Dollars	Number	Dollars	Unique #	Dollars	Number	Dollars
Four-Year Publics								
Christopher Newport University	12	9,000				15,380	1	75
College of William and Mary	12	9,000	13	7,869	14	16,869	2	1,25
George Mason University	20	13,388	19	10,845	22	24,233	1	50
James Madison University	20	14,388	20	12,760		27,148	3	1,25
Longwood University	11	8,250	10			14,630	0	
Norfolk State University	42	29,888	37	23,393	46	53,281	4	2,00
Old Dominion University	60	41,526	54	33,387	66	74,913	7	3,50
Radford University	21	14,840		9,960	22	24,800	7	3,25
University of Mary Washington	8	5,250	9	4,890		10,140	2	75
University of Virginia	13	9,750	13	8,294	14	18,044	0	
University of Virginia's College at Wise	11	7,181	6	3,615	11	10,796	1	50
Virginia Commonwealth University	58	41,250		33,388	66	74,638	7	3,00
Virginia Military Institute	3	2,250	4	2,552	4	4,802	0	
Virginia State University	23	17,138	26	15,950	28	33,088	2	75
Virginia Tech	23	16,500	24	14,673	26	31,173	4	1,75
Four-Year Public total	337	\$239,598	313	\$194,336	374	\$433,934	41	\$19,25
Two-Year Publics								
Richard Bland College	4	3,000	3	1,914	4	4,914	0	
Two-Year Public total	4	\$3,000	3	\$1,914	4	\$4,914	0	\$
Community Colleges								
Blue Ridge Community College	10	5,750	9	4,464	10	10,214	2	1,00
Central Virginia Community College	13	7,750	9	3,828	15	11,578	6	2,50
Dabney S. Lancaster Community College	4	2,750	3	1,488	4	4,238	0	
Danville Community College	1	500	2	638	2	1,138	0	
Eastern Shore Community College	1	500	1	425	1	925	0	
Germanna Community College	15	10,000	14	7,868	18	17,868	2	1,00
J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College	8	4,750	10	5,103	12	9,853	2	1,00
John Tyler Community College	6	4,250	10	5,103	10	9,353	1	50
Lord Fairfax Community College	9	5,000	7	3,402	10	8,402	1	25
Mountain Empire Community College	19	12,250	20	11,057	22	23,307	6	3,00
New River Community College	6	4,500	4	2,062	6	6,562	2	1,00
Northern Virginia Community College	24	16,276	25	14,035	28	30,311	5	2,50
Patrick Henry Community College	10	6,500	9	4,677	11	11,177	3	1,25
Paul D. Camp Community College	9	5,750	9	4,891	10	10,641	1	50
Piedmont Virginia Community College	3	1,750	5	2,764	5	4,514	2	75
Rappahannock Community College	4	3,000	4	2,126	5	5,126	3	1,25
Southside Virginia Community College	10	6,000	9	5,742	10	11,742	4	1,75
Southwest Virginia Community College	19	13,888	23	14,036	24	27,924	7	2,75
Thomas Nelson Community College	41	25,750	41	20,413	55	46,163	14	6,25
Tidewater Community College	159	104,500	158	87,504	190	192,004	59	26.00
Virginia Highlands Community College	10	7,500	11	6,167	13	13,667	3	1,25
Virginia Western Community College	17	11,000		8,506	23	19,506	5	2,25
Wytheville Community College	8	5,250		4,152	10	9,402	3	1,50
Community College total	406	\$265,164	407	\$220,451	491	\$485.615	131	\$58,25
Total	747	\$507,762	723	\$416,701	858	\$924,463		\$77,50

## Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program 2008-09 Number of Recipients and Amount Awarded as of May 15, 2009

Dollars 750 1,250 500 1,250

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## Notes:

The \$77,500 paid for Summer 2008 awards were paid out of both 2007-08 and 2008-09 funds.

\$75,537 of the 2008-09 appropriation was used to cover Summer 2008 awards disbursed after June 30, 2008. Due to insufficient funds, four students who were eligible for spring stipends were not fully funded (two received no

award and two received partial awards).

Term award amounts	Pre January	January forward
Full-time enrollment	\$750	\$638
Half-time enrollment	\$500	\$425
Less than Half-time enrollment	\$250	\$213