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SUBJECT: Virginia State University: Two-Year Transfer Grant (CTG) Update

Virginia State University (VSU) is dedicated to enhancing opportunities for transfer students and expanding access through the Commonwealth Two-Year College Transfer Grant (CTG). Please see the information below for additional details. While we experienced a decline in participation during the 2025–2026 academic year, we are encouraged by current trends and are optimistic about increased engagement and growth in the upcoming school year.

Award Year	Number of Students	Total Awarded
2021-2022	6	\$10,500
2022-2023	5	\$10,000
2023-2024	19	\$38,000
2024-2025	16	\$32,500
2025-2026	10	\$18,500

Strategic Recruitment Approach:

We have implemented a comprehensive and proactive recruitment strategy that includes consistent in-person and virtual engagement across VCCS campuses. This sustained presence is increasing brand visibility and strengthening key institutional partnerships.

Emerging Partnership Opportunities:

VSU is in the final stages of establishing new transfer agreements with Brightpoint Community College and Southside Virginia Community College. Additionally, we are collaborating with the College of Engineering and Technology to align academic programs and develop future articulation agreements.

Transfer Pathways for High School Students:

A new initiative is being developed to create a structured VCCS-to-VSU transfer pathway for high school students who may not initially qualify for freshman admission, offering a clear and affordable route to degree completion.

Statewide Awareness and Positioning:

We are actively elevating the visibility of the VSU Transfer Center through targeted statewide marketing efforts and institutional communications, positioning VSU as a leading destination for transfer students across Virginia.