

**THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 94 of 1979**

**388.1852 State tuition grant award.**

Sec. 252. (1) The amounts appropriated in section 236 for the state tuition grant program must be distributed pursuant to 1966 PA 313, MCL 390.991 to 390.997a.

(2) Tuition grant awards must be made to all eligible Michigan residents enrolled in undergraduate degree programs who are qualified.

(3) Pursuant to section 5 of 1966 PA 313, MCL 390.995, and subject to subsections (6) and (7), the department of lifelong education, advancement, and potential shall determine an actual tuition grant award per student, which must be \$3,000.00, that ensures that the aggregate payments for the tuition grant program do not exceed the appropriation contained in section 236 for the state tuition grant program. If the department determines that insufficient funds are available to establish an award amount equal to \$3,000.00, the department shall immediately report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state budget director regarding the estimated amount of additional funds necessary to establish a \$3,000.00 award amount. If the department determines that sufficient funds are available to establish an award amount equal to \$3,000.00, the department shall immediately report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state budget director regarding the award amount established and the projected amount of any projected year-end appropriation balance based on that award amount. By February 18 of each fiscal year, the department shall analyze the status of award commitments, shall make any necessary adjustments, and shall confirm that those award commitments will not exceed the appropriation contained in section 236 for the tuition grant program. The determination and actions must be reported to the state budget director and the house and senate fiscal agencies no later than the final day of February of each year. If award adjustments are necessary, the students must be notified of the adjustment by March 4 of each year. Subject to subsection (9), for the purposes of determining a student's financial need under 1966 PA 313, MCL 390.991 to 390.997a, the department of lifelong education, advancement, and potential shall presume that a student who is eligible for the Michigan tuition grant for the first time during academic year 2024-2025 or any subsequent year, has no need for a state tuition grant under this section. It is the intent of the legislature that 1966 PA 313, MCL 390.991 to 390.997a, will be amended to end tuition grant eligibility of students enrolling in college for the first time after the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2024, as those students may be eligible for the Michigan achievement scholarship.

(4) The department of lifelong education, advancement, and potential shall continue a proportional tuition grant award level for recipients enrolled less than full-time in a given semester or term.

(5) If the department of lifelong education, advancement, and potential increases the award per eligible student from that provided in the previous fiscal year, it must not have the effect of reducing the number of eligible students receiving awards in relation to the total number of eligible applicants. Any increase in the grant must be proportional for all eligible students receiving awards for that fiscal year.

(6) The department of lifelong education, advancement, and potential shall not award more than \$5,000,000.00 in tuition grants to eligible students enrolled in the same independent nonprofit college or university in this state. Any decrease in the grant must be proportional for all eligible students enrolled in that college or university, as determined by the department.

(7) The department of lifelong education, advancement, and potential shall not award tuition grants to otherwise eligible students enrolled in an independent college or university that does not report, in a form and manner directed by and satisfactory to the department of lifelong education, advancement, and potential, by October 31 of each year, all of the following:

(a) The number of students in the most recently completed academic year who in any academic year received a state tuition grant at the reporting institution and successfully completed a program or graduated.

(b) The number of students in the most recently completed academic year who in any academic year received a state tuition grant at the reporting institution and took a remedial education class.

(c) The number of students in the most recently completed academic year who in any academic year received a Pell grant at the reporting institution and successfully completed a program or graduated.

(8) By February 1 of each year, each independent college and university participating in the tuition grant program shall report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state budget director on its efforts to develop and implement sexual assault response training for the institution's title IX coordinator, campus law enforcement personnel, campus public safety personnel, and any other campus personnel charged with responding to on-campus incidents, including information on sexual assault response training materials and the status of implementing sexual assault

response training for institutional personnel.

(9) A student who received a scholarship under this section prior to the academic year 2024-2025 may continue to receive a tuition grant award under this section provided that the student meets all other criteria required for the receipt of a tuition grant award.

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**Compiler's note:** Sec. 252, as amended by Act 62 of 2019, was vetoed by the governor on September 30, 2019.