

Ryan Petty, *Chair*
Esther Byrd, *Vice Chair*
Members
Grazie P. Christie
Daniel P. Foganholi, Sr.
Kelly Garcia
MaryLynn Magar

OSFA-STATE: #25-26:06

MEMORANDUM

TO: Financial Aid Directors at Postsecondary Institutions Participating in the William L. Boyd, IV, Effective Access to Student Education (EASE) Grant Program

FROM: Shawn Haskin
Director, State Scholarship and Grant Programs

DATE: July 30, 2025

SUBJECT: 2024-25 EASE Accountability Report

The 2024-25 EASE Accountability Report is due to the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) by **September 1, 2025**, per section 1009.89(5)(c), Florida Statutes, and shall include the statistical data listed below detailing institution-wide, Florida resident, First-Time-in-College (FTIC) students for the 2024-25 academic year. As a reminder, all postsecondary institutions participating in the EASE grant must prominently post on their respective institution's website, by October 1 of each year, the EASE Accountability Report metrics as reported to OSFA.

- Access rate: Based upon the percentage of Pell-eligible students, a student access rate is defined as the rate of full-time, FTIC students who are eligible for federal Pell Grant funds.
 - Total number of Florida resident, FTIC undergraduate students.
 - Number of FTIC students who are eligible for federal Pell Grant.
- Affordability rate: Based upon average student loan debt, federal, state, institutional financial assistance, and average tuition and fees.
 - Total number of Florida resident, FTIC undergraduate students.
 - Total cost of tuition and fees for all Florida resident, FTIC undergraduate students.
 - Total amount of student loans for Florida resident, FTIC undergraduate students.
 - Total annual amount of federal, state, and institutional assistance by Florida resident, FTIC undergraduate students.

Suzanne Pridgeon
Deputy Commissioner, Finance and Operations

- Graduation rate: Graduation rate is defined as the rate of full-time, FTIC students graduating in six years or less.
 - Total number of Florida resident, FTIC undergraduate students first enrolled in the 2018-19 academic year.
 - Total number of Florida resident, FTIC undergraduate students enrolled in the 2018-19 academic year who finished in six years or less.
- Retention rate: Retention rate is defined as the percentage of students enrolled at the institution who did not graduate and return for enrollment the following fall semester.
 - Total number of Florida resident, FTIC undergraduate students in the 2023-24 academic year.
 - Total number of Florida resident, FTIC undergraduate students who returned for enrollment in the 2024-25 academic year.
- Postgraduate employment or continuing education rate: This rate is defined as the percentage of graduates with a baccalaureate degree who were working full-time 120 days beyond graduation or enrolled in a postgraduate education program.
 - Total number of Florida-resident, FTIC undergraduate students who graduated in the 2023-24 academic year.
 - Total number of Florida-resident, FTIC undergraduate students who graduated in the 2023-24 academic year and were employed full-time 120 days after graduation.
 - Total number of Florida-resident, FTIC undergraduate students who graduated in the 2023-24 academic year and enrolled in a postgraduate education program as of 120 days after graduation.

To access the report, go to www.FloridaStudentFinancialAidsg.org. Once logged in, select **Postsecondary Institutions**, and then **EASE Accountability Report** within the **PSI Reporting** section.

If you have questions concerning this memo, please contact Nanette Smith by email at Nanette.Smith@fldoe.org, or call 850-245-1913.

SH/nl

cc: Lou Anne Standley, Assistant Deputy Commissioner, Finance and Operations