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MEMORANDUM NO. 053-16M SPECIAL PROGRAMS & FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY/ SECONDARY EDUCATION & STUDENT SUPPORT

TO: School District Superintendents
School District Federal Program Directors
Middle School Counselors
High School Counselors

FROM: Randy I. Dorn, State Superintendent of Public Instruction

RE: College Bound Scholarship

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The College Bound Scholarship is an early commitment of state financial aid funding to cover projected tuition (at comparable public rates), some fees, and a small book allowance for students in low-income households. It was created to encourage these students to dream big, graduate from high school, and attend college. To be eligible for the College Bound Scholarship, students must apply beginning in 7th grade and before the end of their 8th grade year. Additionally, students must meet similar income eligibility requirements when applying for financial aid in their senior year of high school and in college.

Many students who are English learners and from families who are migrant workers are enrolled thanks to dedicated middle school teachers and school counselors who assisted with the enrollment process. See the [Middle School Toolbox](#) for enrollment forms and details.

For students who are undocumented, they will also need to know about completing an application for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) to be eligible to receive

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the College Bound Scholarship upon high school graduation. For more information about DACA requirements for the College Bound Scholarship, contact the Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) at collegebound@wsac.wa.gov or 888-535-0747, option 1.

We encourage you to enroll 100 percent of your eligible students for the College Bound Scholarship.

For more information, please visit the Washington Student Achievement Council's website for the [College Bound Scholarship](#).

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