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MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Dalton B. Floyd, Jr., Chairman, and Members, Commission on Higher Education

From: Dr. Vermelle J. Johnson, Chair, and Members, Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing

Informational Report on SC Teaching Scholarship Grant Program
FY 2002-2003

During the 2001 legislative session, the General Assembly approved the South Carolina Education Lottery Act. One provision of this act provides that teachers who hold a professional certificate and teach in the public schools of the State will be awarded grants not to exceed \$1000 per year to attend the State's public and independent colleges and universities for the purposes of upgrading existing core content area skills or obtaining a Master's Degree in the teacher's core content area (see *Guidelines*). The act further stipulates that if there are insufficient funds in the Education Lottery Account to provide the grant to each eligible recipient for a particular year, priority must be given to those classroom teachers (i.e., not administrators, counselors, media specialists, or other support personnel) whose teaching areas are critical need subject areas as defined by the State Board of Education.

In order to be eligible to apply for a SC Teaching Scholarship Grant, an applicant must meet the following requirements:

- ✓ Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident who meets the definition of an eligible non-citizen under the State Residency Statute
- ✓ Be a South Carolina resident
- ✓ Hold a "professional" teaching certificate as defined and conferred by the State Department of Education

- ✓ Be under contract as a teacher in a SC public school

Also, applicants must meet one of the two following criteria:

- ✓ Be accepted as a degree-seeking graduate student in the teaching field (core content teaching area, early childhood, elementary, middle level, secondary, or special education at the Master's level or higher) and be enrolled in good standing at an eligible S.C. based institution, with appropriate documentation provided; OR
- ✓ Be enrolled for graduate or undergraduate courses in current teaching field (fields are described above) or in a teaching field in which add-on certification is being sought with appropriate documentation provided at an eligible S.C.-based institution

The application for the Teaching Scholarship Grant is an electronic application. CHE did a "Request for Proposals" to hire a company to develop and host the server for the electronic application. Agate Software in Michigan was chosen to develop the electronic application. Applicants are required to apply electronically and mail in supporting documentations such as an "official transcript," a Principal's Letter of Endorsement, a Statement of Commitment, and a copy of their teaching certificate.

The first year of the grant was opened during the 2002-03 academic year. The application opened in May of 2003 and any teachers who met all eligibility requirements and took courses during Summer II 2002, Fall 2002, Spring 2003, and/or Summer I 2003 could apply for the grant. The teachers had to pay for the courses and CHE reimbursed those eligible applicants once official transcripts were received from the respective institutions. The expectation of operating this grant is to have the electronic application open twice a year, but due to the time required to develop the application, it was only opened once the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

For the 2002-03 fiscal year, \$340,000 was disbursed to award \$1000 to each of the 340 eligible Teaching Grant recipients. The following pages provide detailed reports to include: recipients by race; recipients by gender; recipients by graduate level; number of Teaching Grants awarded per institution; recipients by county of origin; recipients by school district; and recipients by public school. These reports may also be found at the Commission's website at www.che.sc.gov.

This report is presented for information and does not require any action.

2002-03 Teaching Grant Recipients by Ethnic Group

African American	32	9.41%
American Indian & Alaskan	1	0.29%
Asian	0	0
Caucasian	300	88.24%
Hispanic	0	0
Unknown	7	2.06%
TOTAL	340	100%

2002-03 Teaching Grant Recipients by Gender

Men	41	12.06%
Women	293	86.18%
Unknown	6	1.76%
TOTAL	340	100%

2002-03 Teaching Grant Recipients by Graduate Level

Doctoral	7	2.06%
Masters	119	35%
First Masters	142	41.76%
Specialist Degree	7	2.06%
Graduate Certificate	4	1.18%
Taking Courses Only	61	17.94%
Not Reported	0	0
TOTAL	340	100%

Awards by Institution	
Institution	Total
Benedict College	1
Charleston Southern University	7
Clemson University	19
Coastal Carolina University	11
College of Charleston	8
Columbia College	24
Converse College	18
Erskine College	4
Francis Marion University	25
Furman University	15
Lander University	15
Limestone College	2
SC State University	12
Southern Wesleyan University	97
The Citadel	15
University of South Carolina-Aiken	1
University of South Carolina-Columbia	40
University of South Carolina-Spartanburg	7
Winthrop University	19
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Grand Total	340

Recipients by School Districts

2002-2003 S.C. Teaching Grant Recipients by School Districts	
Abbeville	2
Aiken	8
Anderson 1	18
Anderson 2	1
Anderson 3	5
Anderson 4	1
Anderson 5	4
Barnwell 29	1
Beaufort	2
Berkeley	17
Charleston	10
Cherokee	4
Chester	4
Chesterfield	20
Colleton	1
Dillon 2	1
Dillon 3	2
Dorchester 2	4
Dorchester 4	1
Edgefield	1
Fairfield	2
Florence 1	2
Florence 3	1
Florence 4	1
Florence 5	1
Georgetown	2
Greenville	26
Greenwood 50	10
Greenwood 51	4
Hampton 1	1
Horry	10
Kershaw	6
Lancaster	3
Laurens 55	2
Laurens 56	2
Lexington 1	12
Lexington 2	3
Lexington 4	1
Lexington 5	10
Lexington 5	1

Newberry	2
Oconee	35
Orangeburg 3	1
Orangeburg 4	1
Orangeburg 5	3
Pickens	36
Richland 1	2
Richland 1& 2	2
Richland 2	10
Saluda	1
Spartanburg	2
Spartanburg 1	3
Spartanburg 2	10
Spartanburg 4	1
Spartanburg 5	5
Spartanburg 6	2
Spartanburg 7	1
Union	1
Williamsburg	1
York 1	2
York 2	5
York 3	3
York 4	4
Grand Total	340

Recipients by Public School

2002-2003 S.C. Teaching Grant Recipients by Public School	
A.R. Rucker MiddleSchool	1
Academic Magnet High	1
Aiken County Career and Techno	1
Alice Birney Middle	2
Ambler Elementary	1
Anderson SD 5	1
Andrews Elementary	1
Beech Hill Elementary	1
Belton-Honea Path High	1
Berkeley Intermediate	1
Berkeley Middle	1
Bethel-Hanberry Elementary	2
Birchwood High School	1
Blacksburg Elementary	2
Bluffton Elementary	1
Blythewood Middle	1
Boiling Springs Elementary	1
Boiling Springs High	2
Briggs Elementary	1
Buena Vista Elementary	1
C A Johnson High	1
C E Murray High	1
Calhoun Falls High	1
Camden High	3
Camden Middle	1
Campobello-Gramling Elementary	1
Carolina Forest High	3
Carolina High	1
Central High	1
Chapin High	1
Cheraw Intermediate	2
Cheraw Primary	2
Chesnee Elementary	2
Chesnee Middle	5
Chester Park Complex	3
Chesterfield High	1
Chesterfield Middle	1
Chukker Creek Elementary	1
Clearwater Elementary	1

Clemson Elementary	3
Clinton High	2
Clover High	3
Clover Junior High	1
Code Elementary	5
College Park Elementary	1
Concrete Elementary	1
Conway High	1
Crescent High	1
Cross High (Middle School)	1
Cross Roads Middle	2
Crosswell Elementary	1
Cyril B Busbee Elementary	1
Cyril B Busbee Middle	2
D R Hill Middle	1
Dacusville Middle	3
Dent Middle	1
Devon Forest Elementary	2
Dobys Mill Elementary	1
Dorman High	1
Douglas Elementary	1
Duncan Chapel Elementary	3
Dutch Fork Elementary	1
Dutch Fork High	1
Easley High	1
East End Elementary (Greenwood)	1
East End Elementary (Pickens)	2
Edisto High	1
Edwards Elementary	6
Erwin Elementary	1
Fairfield Central High	1
Fairfield Primary	1
Fair-Oak Elementary	2
Forest Hills Elementary	1
Forest Lake Elementary	1
Fork Shoals Elementary	1
Fort Mill Elementary	1
Fort Mill Middle	1
Gaffney Sr.High	2
Gettys Middle School	3
Gilbert High	2
Goose Creek High	1
Green Sea Floyds High	1
Greenville High	1
Greenville Middle	1
Griggs Road Elementary	1
H E Corley Elementary	2

Hanahan Elementary	1
Hickory Grove-Sharon Elementary	1
Holly Hill-Roberts High	1
Horry County Education Center	1
Indian Land Elementary	1
Inman Elementary	1
Irmo High	2
Iva Elementary	3
J C Lynch Elementary	1
James F Byrnes High	1
James M. Brown Elementary	4
Jefferson Elementary	1
Johnsonville High	1
Kellett Elementary	2
Kelly Edwards Elementary	1
Keowee Elementary	1
Kershaw County SEAGUL Program	1
L E Gable Middle	1
L W Conder Elementary	1
Ladson Elementary	1
Lake Forest Elementary	1
Lake Murray Elementary (Lexington)	1
Latta Middle	2
Laurens District 55 High	1
Lewisville Middle	1
Lexington Elementary	1
Lexington High	2
Lexington Middle	1
Liberty Elementary	4
Liberty Middle	1
Long Cane Elementary	1
Long Junior High	3
Loris High	1
Mabry Junior High	1
Maryville Elementary	1
Mauldin High	2
McCarthy/Teszler Learning Cen.	1
McCracken Middle	1
McKissick Elementary	8
Memminger Elementary	1
Mid Carolina High	1
Midland Valley High	1
Midway Elementary (Lexington 1)	1
Millbrook Elementary	2
Morningside Middle	1
Mt Zion Elementary	2

Myrtle Beach Intermediate	1
Newberry Middle	1
Newington Elementary	1
North Augusta High	1
Northside Middle (Greenwood 50)	1
Northwestern High	2
Oakland Elementary (Greenwood)	2
Oakview Elementary	1
Orangeburg-Wilkinson Sr High	2
Orchard Park Elementary (Oconee)	2
Palmetto Elementary (Anderson)	5
Palmetto High	5
Palmetto Middle	2
Pelham Road Elementary	2
Pelion High	1
Pelzer Elementary	2
Petersburg Elementary	3
Pickens Sr High	1
Plain Elementary	3
Powersville Elementary	1
Powersville Middle	1
R C Edwards Middle	1
R Earle Davis Elementary	1
Red Bank Elementary	1
Rice Creek Elementary	1
Richland Northeast High	2
Riverton Elementary	1
River Ridge Elementary	1
River Springs Elementary	1
Riverside Middle (Anderson 4)	1
Riverview Elementary	2
Rollings Middle School	1
Ronald E McNair Elementary	1
Royall Elementary	1
Saluda High	1
Sanders Middle	1
Sandhills Elementary	1
Sara Collins Elementary	4
Sedgefield Intermediate	1
Seneca Middle	2
Seneca Senior High	2
Six Mile Elementary	5
Skyland Elementary	1
Socastee Elementary	1
South Carolina School for the Blind	1
South Middle	1

Southside Middle (Greenwood 50)	2
Springfield Elementary (Greenwood)	4
Starr-Iva Middle	1
Stewart Heights Elementary	1
Stratford High	5
Summerville High	1
T E Mabry Jr High	1
Tamassee-Salem High	1
Tamassee-Salem Middle	2
Timmons ville Middle	1
Union Comprehensive High	1
Varenes Elementary	3
W C Sullivan Middle	1
Waccamaw Elementary (Horry)	1
Wade Hampton High (Greenville)	4
Wade Hampton High (Hampton 1)	1
Walhalla Middle	3
Ware Shoals High (High School)	1
Ware Shoals Primary	3
Wellford Elementary	2
West Ashley Middle School	1
West End Elementary	2
Westminster Elementary	3
West-Oak Sr High	6
Westview Elementary	1
Westview Primary	1
White Knoll Elementary	1
White Knoll High	2
Whitesville Elementary	1
Willow Lane Middle School	1
Windsor Elementary	1
Woodland High	1
Woodruff Elementary	1
Wren Middle	1
York Junior High	1
Grand Total	340