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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Financial Aid Directors

FROM: Scott Copeland, Policy Associate-Student Services *SC*

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SUBJECT: 2016-2017 Income Thresholds for Needy Waivers - RCW 28B.15.740 (1)

Community colleges may waive all or a portion of tuition (operating and building fees) and services and activities fees for financially needy students eligible for resident tuition within the 35 percent legislative limit, not to exceed three-fourths of one percent of tuition collections.

The following is a revised table of income thresholds to be used in determining "need" for the Needy tuition waiver program per the 2016-17 Washington Financial Aid Association (WFAA) Student Budgets documentation in combination with the Bureau of Labor Statistics most recent Consumer Price Index for Washington State for the 12 month period ending in February 2016. The monthly income threshold represents a 2.1 percent increase.

<b><u>FAMILY MEMBERS</u></b>	<b><u>MONTHLY INCOME THRESHOLD</u></b>
1	1462
2	2474
3	2898
4	3223
5	3390
6	3872
7	4197
8	4522
9	4844
10 or more	5168

*For Clarification:* This waiver is different from the Institutional Financial Aid Fund (commonly referred to as the 3½ Percent Fund). For further information see [RCW 28B.15.820](#).

If you have questions, please contact me at (360) 704-4397 or [scopeland@sbctc.edu](mailto:scopeland@sbctc.edu).