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LCC Board of Trustees Votes to Cover Cost of Lost Promise Scholarships for LCC Students

LANSING – At its December 14 regular meeting, the Lansing Community College Board of Trustees approved a plan that allows 961 Lansing Community College students to keep nearly \$1 million of Michigan Promise Scholarships awarded Fall semester. The college disbursed \$952,233 in Promise Scholarships prior to the state’s elimination of the program.

Colleges statewide have implemented a variety of options to recover or forgive some or all of the lost scholarship funds. The LCC Board of Trustees was presented with six financing options and chose to protect students from the burden of losing the promised financial assistance.

“Student success is LCC’s number one priority, and we are committed to accessible and affordable education,” said LCC Board Chair Deborah Canja. “Allowing students to keep their Fall semester scholarships is in keeping with those goals.”

The college will use “rainy day” funds or contingency reserves to cover the lost state revenue.

“These are difficult times for many students,” said President Brent Knight. “I’m pleased that the Board is putting our students first and making good on a promise made to them by the State of Michigan.”

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About Lansing Community College

Lansing Community College is Michigan’s third largest community college with more than 32,000 students attending each year. The College has more than 240 degree and certificate programs. LCC

offers courses in general education for those interested in transferring to a four-year institution, career and workforce development, developmental education and personal enrichment. To meet the professional development and training needs of regional employees, the college offers customized programs for credit, non-credit and continuing education. The University Center at LCC offers students the opportunity to earn bachelor's and master's degrees from six partner universities on the downtown LCC campus. For more information, visit www.lcc.edu.