



OFFICE OF STUDENT
FINANCIAL AID

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Dear Parents and Students,

As the Texas Legislature continues to deliberate state appropriation decisions, The University of Texas at El Paso, as well as other institutions across the state, is anticipating significant changes in state funded financial aid programs. Therefore, decisions have not been made about funding levels for several state-supported financial aid programs, most significantly institutional need-based grants, TEXAS grants, and B-on-time loans, among others. This has delayed our ability to award complete financial aid packages, for the upcoming 2011-12 school year. We understand that you and your families need to know the complete picture of what grant, loan and scholarship resources will be available to you as you make your plans for next year. Typically, we are able to tell you midway through the spring semester what your total financial aid award will be.

This year, however, it will be more challenging to give you complete information any time soon about your state-based financial aid award because of the uncertainty of the state budget. Without decisions about funding for these state-based financial aid programs, financial aid awards at this time reflect only federal-based financial aid programs. The final financial aid package may be more or less depending on decisions made by the Texas Legislature. We are currently unable to award any state-funded programs until the Texas Legislature completes its budget deliberations.

We are working very hard to get a resolution about these important financial aid programs. Please know that we will make you aware of decisions as they are made and that we will provide you accurate, up-to-date information as it is available. We are committed to your success as a student and will do everything we can to provide you resources to continue your enrollment.

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Office of Student Financial Aid.

Sincerely,

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