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THIS IS NOT A SCHOLARSHIP AWARD LETTER

I am pleased to inform you that based on your high school record you qualify academically for the NJ Student Tuition Assistance Reward Scholarship (NJ STARS) Program and are **potentially** eligible to participate in this program.

The NJ STARS Program allows top New Jersey high school graduates to attend their home county college, free of tuition charges, for up to five semesters. NJ STARS provides access to higher education for the State's highest achieving students and reflects New Jersey's strong commitment to education. Participation in the NJ STARS Program could significantly reduce your overall educational costs.

New Jersey students graduating from high school in June 2021 who are ranked in the top 15.0% of their junior or senior year class are **potentially** eligible to participate in the NJ STARS Program. To receive an award, you must demonstrate college readiness and meet all other program eligibility requirements. As with all State supported student assistance programs, NJ STARS awards are subject to annual fiscal year State appropriations.

To activate your eligibility for NJ STARS, you must visit www.njgrants.org and confirm your information by **May 7, 2021**. Click on "**Login**", select NJ STARS and GUS Acceptance tab, and then click "**here**" to login. If you have **not** previously logged in, you will need to create a new registration. Once you have logged into your account, select Accept/Decline Governor's Urban Scholarship Program Nomination/Confirm NJ STARS Program link. You will be prompted to enter your 6 digit PIN# as provided above. Follow the prompts to complete the form and access the Fact Sheets for additional information and important deadlines.

NJ STARS recipients who earn an associate degree from a county college with a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher, have a family income (taxable and untaxed income) less than \$250,000, and meet all other program eligibility requirements may be eligible to receive an NJ STARS II award to transfer to a New Jersey four-year public or independent institution of higher education that is approved to participate in the New Jersey Tuition Aid Grant (TAG) Program.

Congratulations on your outstanding academic record and best wishes for continued success. If you are interested in attending your home county college, contact the financial aid office to discuss your potential participation in this exciting program. Please visit www.njgrants.org to learn more about State student financial aid programs.

Sincerely,

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