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RE: Preliminary Report - Reading, Writing, and Mathematics Proficiency of All First-time Freshmen

In the Supplemental Report to the 2001 Budget Act, the California Legislature requested the California State University to report on the following:

“Reading, Writing, and Mathematics Proficiency of All First-time Freshmen. It is the intent of the Legislature that the California State University (CSU) assesses and reports the entry-level proficiency of all first-time freshmen. By December 15, of each year beginning 2001, CSU shall submit a preliminary report by campus that includes: (a) the total number of regularly admitted and specially admitted first-time freshmen, (b) the proportion of regularly admitted and specially admitted first-time freshmen that are exempt from entry level proficiency exams, (c) the proportion of regularly admitted and of specially admitted first-time freshmen that become exempt through each of the approved alternatives, and (d) entry-level proficiency exam pass rates of regularly admitted and of specially admitted first-time freshmen. The CSU shall submit a final report to the Legislature by February 1 of each year.”

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Campuses have submitted fall 2010 data, which include information about the entry-level proficiency of first-time freshmen, to the system office in November of 2010. As has been typical past practice, CSU is in its regular process of reviewing, editing, and testing fall campus data for each of the 23 campuses for completeness and accuracy. We remain on schedule to provide complete, detailed, campus-by-campus reports on fall 2010 regularly admitted and specially admitted first-time freshmen and their entry-level proficiency to the Legislature by February 1, 2011.

If you have any questions, please contact Rodney Rideau, Budget Director, at 562-951-4559.

Sincerely,

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