



## DIRECTIVE 2020-037

June 3, 2020

Re: CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY TO CONTINUE TO WAIVE STANDARD TUITION RATES FOR RESIDENT AND NONRESIDENT STUDENTS ENROLLED IN ITS RN TO BSN PROGRAM.

§375.30.30 of Am. Sub. H.B. 119 of the 127<sup>th</sup> General Assembly required any waiver of tuition for a student or class of students not otherwise permitted by law at a state-assisted institution of higher education be approved by the Chancellor of Higher Education (the “Chancellor”). On April 17, 2009, the Chancellor signed Directive 2009-011 establishing procedures for institutions to follow when requesting to waive standard tuition rates. §381.170 of Am. Sub. H.B. 166 of the 133<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly continues this authority of the Chancellor for the biennium.

Pursuant to §381.170 of Am. Sub. H.B. 166 as well as Directive 2009-011, Cleveland State University (“CSU”) has requested for academic years 2019-20 and 2020-21 to continue to waive standard tuition rates for resident and nonresident students enrolled in its RN to BSN program.

CSU has demonstrated the following:

- CSU’s Board of Trustees approved a resolution authorizing a continuation of the tuition waiver at its meeting on June 20, 2019. A copy of the resolution is attached.
- CSU’s 2019-2020 tuition and specific amount being waived is shown in Attachment I:
- The specific amount to be waived may change depending on the tuition rates at CSU, but in any event, the required minimum of \$1 per credit hour for out of state surcharge to domestic nonresidents is applicable. And in the event of a tuition increase, the amount waived will increase accordingly, such that the surcharge will remain \$3 per credit hour.
- CSU proposes that the duration of the continued waiver start with Fall 2019 semester and be academic years 2019-20 and 2020-21.
- CSU expects the tuition waiver will affect approximately 115 students per academic year. This estimate is based on the tracking of eligible students since 2015. For example, in 2015, 13 students were added to eligibility. That number grew to 48 students in 2016, 58 students in 2017, 79 students in 2018, and 101 students in 2019.
- CSU’s goals pursuant to this tuition waiver are two-fold: CSU signed an agreement with Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) in October 2014 for the RN to BSN Continuum program. This program provided a smooth transition from Tri-C’s associate degree program to CSU’s bachelor’s degree program. The RN-BSN program permits Tri-C nursing graduates

to complete a BSN degree at CSU while remaining employed. The program meets the needs of health employers as the BSN degree is becoming an industry standard. CSU has expanded the program from an on-line to a blended delivery format, which consists of both classroom instruction and on-line teaching. The program has integrated technology, creative and innovative experiences, and accrediting bodies are encouraging the continued expansion of the program. This flexibility allows nurses to work full time while enrolled in the program and meets the needs of health care employers. The second purpose for maintaining reduced tuition for the program is to maintain our competitive position with other institutions in our region that offer similar programs.

- The previous tuition waiver was very effective. As described above, the number of students added to the program has grown each year.
- Measurements of the program will include continued tracking of the students added to program.

Agency staff reviewed the request and posted its recommendations to the ODHE website for the purpose of providing a public comment period before final approval by the Chancellor. No public comments were received.

Based upon my review of staff recommendations, I hereby approve the tuition waiver request from Cleveland State University be granted for academic year 2020-2021 as set forth above.

This directive will take immediate effect.

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Randy Gardner  
Chancellor

Attachment I

<b>FY2020 Standard</b>			
<b>Standard Tuition</b>	<b>Tuition</b>	<b>FY20 RN TO BSN</b>	<b>Waiver request</b>
<b>Resident</b>			
Instructional Fee	347.65	157.40	190.25
General Fee	55.40	55.40	0.00
Technology Fee	6.50	6.50	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>409.55</b>	<b>219.30</b>	<b>190.25</b>
<b>Non-Resident Domestic</b>			
Instructional Fee	347.65	157.40	190.25
Non Resident domestic surcharge	173.85	3.00	170.85
General Fee	55.40	55.40	0.00
Technology Fee	6.50	6.50	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>583.40</b>	<b>222.30</b>	<b>361.10</b>
<b>Non-Resident International</b>			
Instructional Fee	347.65	157.40	190.25
Non-Resident International surcharge	208.60	3.00	205.60
General Fee	55.40	55.40	0.00
Technology Fee	6.50	6.50	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>618.15</b>	<b>222.30</b>	<b>395.85</b>
<b>FY2020 CSU</b>			
<b>CSU Guarantee Cohort 2020</b>	<b>Guarantee</b>	<b>FY20 RN TO BSN</b>	<b>Waiver request</b>
<b>Resident</b>			
Instructional Fee	378.80	157.40	221.40
General Fee	55.40	55.40	0.00
Technology Fee	6.50	6.50	0.00
Intercollegiate Athletics Sports Fee	3.00	0.00	3.00
Career Services Fee	4.00	0.00	4.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>447.70</b>	<b>219.30</b>	<b>228.40</b>
<b>Non-Resident Domestic</b>			
Instructional Fee	378.80	157.40	221.40
Non Resident domestic surcharge	189.40	3.00	186.40
General Fee	55.40	55.40	0.00
Technology Fee	6.50	6.50	0.00
Intercollegiate Athletics Sports Fee	3.00	0.00	3.00
Career Services Fee	4.00	0.00	4.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>637.10</b>	<b>222.30</b>	<b>414.80</b>
<b>Non-Resident International</b>			
Instructional Fee	378.80	157.40	221.40
Non-Resident International surcharge	227.30	3.00	224.30
General Fee	55.40	55.40	0.00
Technology Fee	6.50	6.50	0.00
Intercollegiate Athletics Sports Fee	3.00	0.00	3.00
Career Services Fee	4.00	0.00	4.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>675.00</b>	<b>222.30</b>	<b>452.70</b>
<b>FY2019 CSU</b>			
<b>CSU Guarantee Cohort 2019</b>	<b>Guarantee</b>	<b>FY20 RN TO BSN</b>	<b>Waiver request</b>
<b>Resident</b>			
Instructional Fee	363.90	157.40	206.50
General Fee	55.40	55.40	0.00
Technology Fee	6.50	6.50	0.00
Intercollegiate Athletics Sports Fee	3.00	0.00	3.00
Career Services Fee	4.00	0.00	4.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>432.80</b>	<b>219.30</b>	<b>213.50</b>
<b>Non-Resident Domestic</b>			
Instructional Fee	363.90	157.40	206.50
Non Resident domestic surcharge	181.95	3.00	178.95
General Fee	55.40	55.40	0.00
Technology Fee	6.50	6.50	0.00
Intercollegiate Athletics Sports Fee	3.00	0.00	3.00
Career Services Fee	4.00	0.00	4.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>614.75</b>	<b>222.30</b>	<b>392.45</b>
<b>Non-Resident International</b>			
Instructional Fee	363.90	157.40	206.50
Non-Resident International surcharge	218.95	3.00	215.95
General Fee	55.40	55.40	0.00
Technology Fee	6.50	6.50	0.00
Intercollegiate Athletics Sports Fee	3.00	0.00	3.00
Career Services Fee	4.00	0.00	4.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>651.75</b>	<b>222.30</b>	<b>429.45</b>



# Cleveland State University

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**June 20, 2019**

## **RESOLUTION 2019-49**

### **APPROVAL OF FY20 TUITION**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Ohio's FY20-FY21 budget and tuition authority legislation (Amended Substitute House Bill 166) is not yet signed into law; and

**WHEREAS**, increases in graduate (masters and doctoral) and law programs of study may be increased at the directive of the President as delegated by the Board of Trustees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the President is authorized to increase tuition up to the maximum amount permitted by law and consistent with the Cleveland State University FY20-FY21 budget planning process.

