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RE: Annual Report on Transfer and Articulation

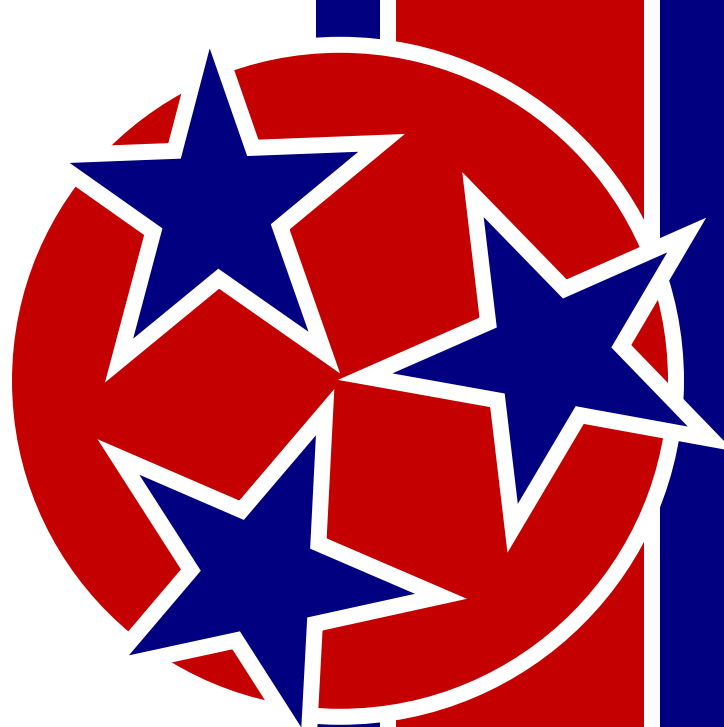
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Pursuant to T.C.A. §49-7-202(f), I am submitting to you the report on progress toward articulation between public institutions. Data for the 2006-2007 academic year are the most current available at this time. This year we used the Commission's Student Information System to take a data-intensive look at issues related to transfer. The report's highlights include the following:

- Transfer is a way of life for today's Tennessee college students. Forty-four percent of bachelor's degree graduates started at an institution other than the one from which they graduated.
- Hours to degree are generally lower for students who graduated from the same institution at which they started, with a substantial increase for students who began at a Tennessee for-profit or out-of-state institution.
- Transfer is multi-directional. Transfers from public universities to community colleges, between community colleges, and between universities account for almost as much activity as the traditional path of transfer from a community college to a university.

I would be pleased to discuss this report with each of you individually or before any of the respective committees you chair. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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