



ARCS: 292- 30
File: FIN-2018-86158

November 6, 2018

Sent via email:

Re: Request for Access to Records
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Finance. Your request is for:

Provincial statistics for Fiscal Year 2016/2017 and Fiscal Year 2017/2018 regarding student loans, financial aid, grants and bursaries for all post-secondary students, including but not limited to; the number of students that requested loans, how much the average student received, and the distribution of student loans across the province. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2017 To 07/28/2018)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. These records are provided to you in their entirety.

Please be advised the Accounts Receivable balance presented in the Fast Facts (page 1 of the records) includes the BC student loan principal and interest outstanding balance, whereas the “BC student loans” values showing in the Notes to Consolidated Summary Financial Statements (page 3 of the records) presents only the BC student loan principal outstanding balance.

Your file is now closed.

These records will be published on the BC Government’s Open Information website a minimum of five business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation

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If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Noralee Kirton, the analyst assigned to your request, at 778 698-8852. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604 660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1 800 663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 778 698-8852.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Appleton', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Natalie Appleton, Team Lead
On behalf of Cindy Elbahir, Manager
Central Agency Team, Information Access Operations

Enclosures

<p>How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</p>
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If you have any questions regarding your request please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner
PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria BC V8W 9A4
Telephone 250 387-5629 Fax 250 387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

1. A copy of your original request;
2. A copy of our response; and
3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.