## **PELL GRANT ELIGIBILITY:**

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012 (Public Law 112-74), was passed into law limiting the number of semesters a student may receive Federal Pell Grant funding from eighteen (18) semesters or 900% to twelve (12) semesters or 600%. In mid-April, 2012, the U.S. Department of Education began notifying students and schools of ineligible students who were close to exhausting eligibility, eight (8) semesters or 400%, or have exceeded twelve semesters 12(600%).

Students may not appeal their Pell Grant eligibility because the Federal Pell Grant limits have been set by the U.S. Department of Education.

