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GREATER ORLANDO

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Florida Department of Education
Office of Student Financial Assistance
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Subject: Support for the EASE Grant – On Behalf of Keiser University Students

Dear Florida Legislators and State Education Officials,

On behalf of the students at Keiser University, we at Dress for Success of Greater Orlando respectfully urge you to preserve full funding for the Effective Access to Student Education (EASE) Grant. This grant is not just financial aid—it is a gateway to opportunity for students who rely on it to pursue their degrees, improve their lives, and contribute meaningfully to Florida's workforce.

Dress for Success of Greater Orlando is a nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering women to achieve economic independence. We provide professional attire, career development resources, and ongoing support to help women thrive both in the workplace and in life. Our services support individuals in transforming their potential into progress.

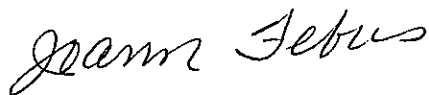
We are proud to partner with Keiser University in preparing students for successful careers. Keiser's career-focused programs align closely with our mission, and we regularly assist Keiser students and graduates who are ready to transition from education to employment. Through suiting appointments, workshops, and mock interviews we collaborate with Keiser's Student Services Department to help students and graduates build the confidence and professionalism needed to step confidently into the workforce.

Together, Keiser University and Dress for Success of Greater Orlando help students and community members not only earn degrees but also gain access to real employment opportunities with dignity and support. These students become nurses, IT professionals, business leaders, and public servants—vital contributors to Florida's economy.

Cutting or reducing the EASE Grant would limit access to higher education for students who need it most, particularly first-generation college students and working adults. It would weaken the pipeline of career-ready professionals who fuel our local industries and participate in our community's growth.

We respectfully ask you to protect the EASE Grant and continue investing in the future of Florida students. The return on this investment is clear: stronger families, stronger communities, and a stronger state.

Sincerely,



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