Dear Precollege Program Director:

Greetings from the Office of Admissions at Michigan State University! I hope you and your students are enjoying a good start to the academic year.

It is with great pleasure that I inform you of an exciting competitive scholarship opportunity for your highest achieving eighth through tenth grade students. Michigan State University's Precollege Achievement Scholarship program is a unique initiative designed to motivate and prepare young students to pursue higher education. This year, MSU will award $2,000 scholarships for future use as undergraduate degree-seeking students at Michigan State.

It is important to note that the awarding of the Precollege Achievement Scholarship is contingent upon the student's admission to Michigan State as a degree-seeking student. Students are not guaranteed admission to the university and must formally apply and fulfill all of MSU's admission requirements. This award may be utilized by either incoming freshmen or transfer students. The Precollege Achievement Scholarship will be applied toward the student's first year of undergraduate study.

As a Precollege Program Director, I invite you to recommend students through a competitive application process. To qualify for the scholarship competition, students must be in 8th, 9th, or 10th grade at this time, attend a school in Michigan, and have previously participated in or currently be enrolled in a Precollege program at Michigan State. Enclosed is an application packet which includes a checklist of application requirements and timeline for the scholarship process, a nomination form, recommendation forms to be completed by both a program director and a teacher, and an academic release form. In addition, there is information on application questions that must be submitted by the nominee.

We are excited to offer this special program again this year and encourage you to nominate one or more of your eligible students. This is an opportunity to further motivate the best and brightest young students in Michigan, and I hope you share the excitement that we do in knowing what this program can do for our state's future.

Sincerely,

James W. Cotter
Director