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CEDARVILLE, OHIO – Cedarville University has announced an increase in scholarships for new freshmen students enrolling for the 2016-17 academic year. This announcement is a result of the administration's goal of making Christian higher education more affordable for incoming students.

Since 2011, Cedarville University's financial aid investment has increased more than 50 percent — moving from \$18.1 million to \$27.3 million. The increased scholarships will add another \$3 million for student aid, bringing the total to more than \$30 million.

Each academic award that is available to incoming freshmen has seen an increase in its total amount. The President's Scholar Award has increased from \$12,000 to \$13,000, the Chancellor's Scholar Award from \$9,000 to \$11,000, the Dean's Scholar Award from \$7,000 to \$9,000 and the Faculty Scholar Award from \$4,000 to \$6,000.

"We want to do all that we can to increase aid and make Cedarville University more affordable," said Kim Jenerette, executive director of financial aid. "While we increase aid, we are also making efforts to cut costs and make a Cedarville education even more affordable."

Cedarville has been recognized by SmartAsset as one of the top 10 Best Value Colleges in Ohio for its access to scholarships and grants, starting salary upon graduation, tuition, living costs and retention rate.

A nationally recognized institution, Cedarville has also been recognized for its excellence by U.S. News and World Report, which ranked it No. 9 among schools in the Midwest, as well as Washington Monthly, which named Cedarville among the top baccalaureate colleges in the nation.

"Cedarville University believes in academic excellence at the highest level with a Gospel purpose. In recent years, we have increased scholarships to maximize affordability," said Thomas White, president of Cedarville University. "I would encourage everyone to apply to Cedarville. They may be surprised by how accessible and excellent a Cedarville education is."

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 3,711 undergraduate, graduate, and online students in more than 100 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, strong graduation and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings, and leading student satisfaction ratings. For more information about the University, visit www.cedarville.edu.