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CRRSAA / ARP Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Student Emergency Financial Aid Grants

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute signed and returned the Certification and Agreement to the US Department of Education offering assurance that the college intends to use no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students on April 17, 2020.

The college received a Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) Grant Award Notification from the US Department of Education on January 17, 2021, in the amount of \$876,735 for Student Emergency Financial Aid Grants, and accepted the terms and conditions as outlined.

The college received an American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) Grant Award Notification from the US Department of Education on May 12, 2021, in the amount of \$3,290,619 for Student Emergency Financial Aid Grants and accepted the terms and conditions as outlined.

Status of Distribution of Funds

Caldwell Community College & Technical Institute distributed \$876, 460 to 1,496 students in CRRSAA/HEERF II Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 314(a)(1) of the CRRSAA.

Eligibility

For the Fall 2021 term, 2,247 Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute curriculum students were eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965. Students with the greatest need as determined by the student's expected family contribution (EFC).

Methodology

CCC & TI devised an objective formula that considered the FAFSA filing status and Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) and the number of actively enrolled credit hours.

Exceptional Need - Increased funding amounts are given to Federal Pell Grant-eligible students as they demonstrate "exceptional need".

- A. Amounts awarded for fall 2021 curriculum enrolled credit hours and Pell Eligible
 - i. Full time (12 or more credit hours) \$1,000

- ii. Three-quarter time (9 to 11 credit hours) \$750
- iii. Half-time (6 to 8 credit hours) \$500
- iv. Less-than-half-time (Less than 6 credit hours) \$250
- B. Curriculum students not eligible for Pell based upon Expected Family Contribution or filing status received \$255.

Student Communication

CCC & TI communicated to students about the Emergency Financial Aid Grants by email from the Financial Aid office and snail mail thru the US Postal Services from our Business Office with a letter from President Poarch notifying students for grant eligibility, fund amounts, and guidance for reviewing their awards.