

January 1, 2022- March 31, 2022

Last updated: April 8, 2022

# **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 has distributed \$3,290,619 to 2,049 students in ARP HEERF III Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 314(a)(1) of the CRRSAA. The college has not distributed any additional funds associated with CRRSAA/HEERF II Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 314(a)(1) of the CRRSAA.

#### Eligibility

For the Spring 2022 term, 2,049 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. The students with the greatest need were given priority based upon expected family contribution (EFC).

## Methodology

CCC & TI devised an objective formula that considered the FAFSA filing status, estimated family contribution (EFC)

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

- A. Amounts awarded for spring 2022 curriculum enrolled based upon EFC ranges
  - i. Zero EFC \$2,700 (617)
  - ii. EFC 1-2100 \$2,000 (203)
  - iii. EFC 2101-5847 \$1,500 (228)
  - iv. EFC 5848-8500 \$1,250 (81)
  - v. EFC 8501 and greater \$750 (270)
- B. Curriculum students not eligible for Pell based upon Expected Family Contribution or filing status received \$500 (650).

# **Student Communication**

CCC & TI communicated to students about the Emergency Financial Aid Grants by email from the Financial Aid office, outlining eligibility, fund amounts, and guidance for reviewing their awards.