

# CARES ACT REPORTING ON EMERGENCY FINANCIAL AID GRANTS TO STUDENTS

On March 27, 2020, the Federal government enacted the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Pub L. No. 116-136, providing funds to institutions from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III) to make Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus, including eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance, such as food, course materials, technology, health care, and child care. The law requires institutions to report certain information related to the use of these funds. The following information is reported for the period, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

1. Access Careers acknowledges that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use, 100 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. Access Careers has received \$132,642 from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
3. \$58,000 of the total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants has been distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of 12/31/2021.
4. 60 estimated students at the institution could be eligible to participate in the Federal student financial aid programs under Section 484 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, and thus are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
5. 11 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
6. Access Careers has the following policy /method used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

## ***The Allocation Process of the HEERF III (Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III)***

*\$132,642 will be used exclusively for student emergency Financial Aid grants at Access Careers. The Financial Aid Administrator and the Director will be responsible for the Administration of the Emergency Financial Aid Grants and as the direct point of contact for students and families.*

*Access will keep details accounting records of every Emergency Financial Aid Grants (recipient, date, amount disbursed, form of disbursement and the student intended use of such funds.*

*The Director in conjunction with the Financial Aid Administrator will use the information you provide here to determine your eligibility for a grant and the amount for which you will be eligible. Each student will be eligible for only one grant, and only one application will be*

*considered per student. Please fill out this information neatly and completely and provide it to The School Director.*

*Anyone enrolled in Title IV Programs:*

*Who has been awarded a ONLY a Pell Grant can receive a HEERF III Grant up to \$6000*

*Who has not received any Financial Aid can receive a HEERF III Grant up to \$6000*

*Who has been awarded ONLY Loans can receive a HEERF III Grant up to \$6000*

*Who has been awarded both Pell and Loans can receive a HEERF III Grant up to \$3000*

*Anyone enrolled in Non Title IV Programs:*

*That is enrolled in a current program at the school and is meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) both in grades and attendance can receive a maximum grant of \$2000*

*Potential students must be in need based on recent events related to corona Virus Pandemic. Students must complete a request form, the Emergency request form which will document the need for an emergency financial aid grant. For example:*

*Loss of Job*

*Someone in the household contracted COVID and the Student had to relocate to different State in order to take care of them*

*Child care, food , housing, Technology for attend the program online which was transitioned due to corona pandemic.*

*Access will be mindful of of each student's circumstances.*

*Student must attest that the funds will be used exclusively for the matter stated on forms.*

7. Please contact the School Director for further details concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.