

1. An acknowledgement 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, 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 10, 2020, Eastern Iowa Community Colleges submitted a Funding Certification and Agreement to access the Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

In that certification, EICC assured to use no less than fifty percent of the funds received to provide 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, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care). Funds became available to draw on May 2, 2020.

2. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Student.

Eastern Iowa Community Colleges is scheduled to receive \$1,354,856 from the Department of Education.

3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the 30-day Report and every 45 days thereafter).

As of December 18, 2020, \$1,336,075 has been distributed.

4. The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

It is estimated that 2,654 students enrolled in spring semester could be eligible for Emergency Financial Aid Grants, following Federal guidance.

5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

As of December 30, 2020, 2,143 students.

6. The method(s) 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 following criteria determined disbursement and levels for spring enrolled students:

- Submission date of the Cares application
- Financial need based on the FAFSA
- Cost related to enrollment status

Subsequent disbursements were based on:

- campus closures and ensuing instructional disruption due to Covid-19
- inability to complete allied health requirements (from spring 19/20 and summer 19/20) due to Covid-19 restrictions, particularly access to clinical rotations and delayed state required testing. Eligibility was determined by the institution and enrollment levels taken into consideration. All students must have had an ISIR on file to be eligible.

7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

Eligible students received an email and text message explaining the CARES funds and process of applying, including a link to the application. EICC posted FAQ and the application on its website.

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