

Vance-Granville Community College Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Federal Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Reporting Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students Third Quarter 2021

- Vance-Granville Community College (College) acknowledges the College signed and returned to the Department of Education (Department) the College's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CARES Act. This includes assurance that the College 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.
- The College was funded \$726,823 from the Department pursuant to the College's Certification of Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
- As of the date of this report, the College distributed \$726,823 to students.
- The estimated total number of the College's students eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 1,638.
- As of the date of this report, the total number of students who received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Acts is 1638.
- The methods used by the College to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants, including how much a student would receive under Section 18004(a)
 - (1) of the CARES Act have been determined. See Exhibit 1.
- Students who are eligible to receive an Emergency Financial Aid Grant received an email notification. See Exhibit 2.
- Students who are eligible to receive an Emergency Financial Aid Grant must complete an online application to request funding. Students were sent an email notification with the online application link to their VGCC student email account. The subject of the email was labeled as "FA CARES Act Funding Notice."

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Eligibility Criteria:

- An eligible student must have a 2021-2022 FAFSA on file and meet the following Title IV eligibility criteria defined by Sec. 484 of the HEA:
 - o Be enrolled in a curriculum program.
 - o Not be enrolled in elementary or secondary school.
 - o For currently enrolled students, be making satisfactory academic progress.
 - Not owe an overpayment on Title IV grants or loans.
 - o Not be in default on a Title IV loan.
 - o File "as part of the original financial aid application process" a certification that includes
 - i. Student's SSN.
 - ii. Cleared any outstanding verification items
 - o Be a U.S. citizen or national, permanent resident, or other eligible noncitizen.
 - Have returned fraudulently obtained Title IV funds if convicted of or pled guilty or no contest to charges.
 - o Not have fraudulently received Title IV loans in excess of annual or aggregate limits.
 - Have repaid Title IV loan amounts in excess of annual or aggregate limits if obtained inadvertently.
 - o Have Selective Service registration verified.
 - o Have Social Security Number verified.
- New or returning students must be enrolled in curriculum courses for the Fall 2021 semester.
- Furthermore, awarded amounts will be prorated based on the student's enrollment status for the appropriate semester as follows:
 - o Pell Eligible \$555
 - o Non-Pell Eligible \$350

VGCC's Financial Aid Office sent an email regarding the CARES Emergency Assistance (See Exhibit 2.)

Students may review their email, by logging into Outlook at http://www.outlook.com/vgcc.edu or their myVGCC account at https://www.vgcc.edu/myvgcc/. Students are required to log in using their Vanguard ID username and password.

EXHIBIT 2

Dear VGCC Student,

Vance-Granville Community College has received funding provided by the federal Higher Education Relief Fund. We know that COVID-19 has caused significant disruptions, including financial hardships, for our campus community. Therefore, we have awarded you \$(amt filled in per award group) to assist with educational costs. No further information is needed from you to receive this grant.

This grant is designed to assist with technology fees for the term. Examples include hardware and software or internet bills. While you may not encounter these charges, you are still eligible for this grant.

These funds will be mailed to you on or before 9/21/2021. If you have a balance on the semester, you will receive these funds regardless of the balance. We encourage you to use the funds to pay your current balance, however it is not required. We cannot directly apply the fund to your account even with your permission.

As always, if you have questions, please reach out to the Financial Aid Office at fao@vgcc.edu or (252) 738-3280.

Sincerely, Financial Aid Office

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Fourth Quarter 2021

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First Quarter 2022

No additional funds were disbursed.

Second Quarter 2022

The Financial Aid Office attempted contact by phone or school email with any CARES recipients that have uncashed COVID relief checks, followed by the Business Office mailing letters.