

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Report -

Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

Date 5/26/2020

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ATA College (OPE ID: 03532400) received education stabilization funds under Section 18004(a)(1) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"), Public Law No: 116-136. This Fund Report applies to the student portion received under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund that is designated exclusively for emergency financial aid grants to students.

The institution has received these funds and is distributing them in accordance with the CARES Act and implementing guidance.

The institution is making the below information available for transparency purposes and in compliance with the U.S. Department of Education's ("Department") Electronic Announcement of May 6, 2020. For questions or concerns regarding this Fund Report, please contact Name, Title, at Email Address.

- 1. The institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. 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.
- 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 Students is \$123,003.
- 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 this Fund Report is \$123,003.
- 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 under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act, as of the date of this Fund Report is 51.
- 5. The total number of students who have received an emergency financial aid grant under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of this Fund Report is 50.
- 6. The methods 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 are provided at **Attachment A**.
- 7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the emergency financial aid grants are provided at **Attachment B**.



Attachment A.

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ATA COLLEGE POLICY AND PROCEDURES for the CARES Act 04/17/2020

As a result of the recent pandemic, the US government has made emergency funds available to students. ATA College will administer those funds to students that have filled out the COVID-19 Certification form and are Title IV eligible.

It is the intent of ATA College to allow each student to answer the question of a changing family financial situation due to coronavirus which will make that student eligible to receive funds.

Once all Certification Forms are returned, we will calculate how many students indicate need and divide that number by the total amount of funds that are to be distributed to students.

This emergency student funding is only available to students that are enrolled and attending classes as of 03/30/2020 to 4/30/2020. Students on an Approved Leave of Absence due to COVID-19 are also allowed to participate in the survey and receive funds.

ATA College feels this is the best way to distribute these funds and the most effective way to make sure that those that need the help get it. We will not discriminate in the disbursement of funds.

We will ask all students for a current address so the checks can be mailed to students.



Attachment B.

Dear ATA College Student:

The Department of Education was awarded an emergency grant to assist students who were attending schools of higher education during the COVID-19 emergency school closing and lockdown social distancing requirements in March 2020.

The CARES ACT HIGHER ED Grant will be awarded to each approved higher education school. The school has to determine based on guidelines for how it will disburse the emergency funds to students.

When the school issues a check to students, they must sign that they will use the funds for one or more of the expenses listed on the CARES ACT Certification and Agreement document, for "food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child-care expenses". We will also give students the opportunity to forego the payment if they have not been financially affected and wish to donate their portion back to the school fund so we can reallocate funds to other students who may have a financial hardship.

The school will allocate CARES ACT Emergency Relief funds to students equally, based on the total number of enrolled students who were attending classes on 03/30/2020 when the school temporarily closed due to COVID-19 lockdown and who wish to participate in the grant funding opportunity. We will divide the number of attending students into the emergency fund grant amount and allocate funds equally to each student. This is grant money and will not have to be repaid.

The school was advised the government will begin releasing funds and accepting student certifications as of the opening funding date. The school applied for the funding on opening day 04/20/2020. We hope to receive funds within the next few weeks. Students will receive funds by check mailed to the home address. To assist the school in processing the checks please complete and return the certification form on page 2 of this document to vphillps@atacollege.edu

Best regards,

Valerie Phillips Vice President of Operations

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Student Certification Form

ATA College will be distributing checks to all students from the CARES HEERF fund. The amount of money (checks) distributed to all students will be spread across the student body evenly to those affected by the COVID-19.

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