

## 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: American Rescue Plan (ARP) Disbursement First Quarter 2022

- Vance-Granville Community 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 American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act. This includes assurance that the College has used, or intends to use, the applicable amount of funds designated under ARP Section 18004(a)(1) of the ARP Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
- The College was funded \$2,589,405.00 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 \$2,0586,968 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 1952.
- 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 1952.
- 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 (Exhibit 2) and given the option to apply the funds to their account (Exhibit 3).

# Vance-Granville Community College Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Federal Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students Eligibility Determination Guidelines

#### **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.
  - 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 Spring 2022 semester.
- Furthermore, awarded amounts will be prorated based on the student's enrollment status for the appropriate semester as follows:
  - o Pell Eligible \$1250
  - o Non-Pell Eligible \$1000

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 <a href="http://www.outlook.com/vgcc.edu">http://www.outlook.com/vgcc.edu</a> or their myVGCC account at <a href="https://www.vgcc.edu/myvgcc/">https://www.vgcc.edu/myvgcc/</a>. Students are required to log in using their Vanguard ID username and password.

#### **EXHIBIT 2**



The American Rescue Plan are funds provided to Vance-Granville Community College that are to be used for students. Any credit student who has completed high school and enrolls and attends a 2022 Spring course is eligible. Students who are awarded the Federal Pell Grant will be eligible for \$1,250. Students who are not awarded the Federal Pell Grant will be eligible for \$1,000.

The American Rescue Plan allows Vance-Granville Community College, with your permission, to apply the funds directly to your account. When funds are applied directly to your account, they will be applied to your tuition and fees. If the grant is larger than the tuition and fees, the remaining amount can be used in the bookstore. If the remaining amount is not spent in the bookstore or you choose to not purchase books with it, it will be sent to you in the first refund period assuming you have participated in Spring 2022 Courses.

The deadline to complete this is: (Date).

If you are interested in having these funds applied to your account for this purpose, you MUST complete the fund authorization and choose the option for the school to apply to your account. The deadline is 1/04/2022. The authorization can be completed at this link. You must log in with your MyVGCC credentials to access the form.

If you enroll and participate in Spring courses and do not want this fund applied to your account, no action from you is needed. You will still qualify; however, the fund will be sent in full to you after the term begins. You will be responsible for tuition, fees and books through either personal payments or other means of financial aid.

As with all grants, this does not need to be repaid. In addition, this does not need to be claimed as income on taxes per guidance from the IRS and Department of Education.

Please note that this fund can only be used in Spring of 2022. It cannot be rolled into another term.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reply to this email or contact the Financial Aid Office at 252-738-3280.

Sincerely,

Financial Aid Office

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#### **EXHIBIT 3**

(This document required the student to sign into their myVGCC account using their user name and password. A second authentication was done using the Date of Birth.)

### American Rescue Plan Fund Authorization

Please let us know how you would like to receive your American Rescue Plan Grant.

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0	Please apply my grant to my student account. This will allow for the fund to pay for Spring 2022 Tuition and Fees. If I have excess grant eligibility, fund can also be used in the bookstore or sent to me after the term begins. I understand this is not required and I can choose to have the funds sent directly to me.
0	Please send me the funds directly. I understand I must enroll and register attendance in Spring 2022 courses. I also must pay for my tuition fees and books with personal funds or other means of financial aid. I
	understand these funds will not be available until Mid-February.
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