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*Mission: Adult and Community Education improves lives of adult students through personalized, quality learning.*

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## **American Rescue Plan Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund**

The U.S. Department of Education–Office of Postsecondary Education provided funds to support students and institutions towards recovery efforts from the pandemic through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act's Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF). Financial aid grants to students with exceptional need were used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arose due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), or child care.

1. Columbus City Schools-Adult and Community Education (CCS-ACE) has signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement, and assures that the usage of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs has provided Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
2. \$623,743.00 (Total amount of funds that CCS-ACE will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs).
3. \$378,463.00 (Total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs as of September 30, 2021).
4. 165 (Estimated total number of students at CCS-ACE who are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs).
5. 148 (Total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs)
6. Method used by CCS-ACE to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) programs. A CCS-ACE committee, comprised of the administration, and staff representing financial aid, student services, and operations, reviewed the requests from students and approved, rejected or modified the emergency financial aid grants for students.

7. Instructions, directions, and guidance provided by CCS-ACE to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

Email text sent to Practical Nursing students:

**Trimester 1 Practical Nursing Students:**

We were recently awarded Grant Funding through the Federal American Rescue Plan to provide some financial support to students involved in our Practical Nursing Program. As new Trimester 1 students had not begun classes during previous distributions of Federal Grants, we are now providing you with an opportunity to apply. These emergency grants are meant to be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to the COVID-19 such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or childcare. Grants do not need to be repaid by the student.

To be considered for an American Rescue Plan Act Grant, you must complete the online request for consideration (see link below) by 4:00 pm Friday August 27, 2021.

Your request for consideration will be reviewed promptly. While requested grants are not all guaranteed, it is important to take the time between now and the deadline to submit the requested grant consideration form.

Requests can be submitted using this link:

<https://forms.gle/DgChMPyetzHh1kz6>

**Trimester 2 Practical Nursing Students:**

We were recently awarded Grant Funding through the Federal American Rescue Plan to provide some financial support to students involved in our Practical Nursing Program. These emergency grants are meant to be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to the COVID-19 such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or childcare. Grants do not need to be repaid by the student.

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<https://forms.gle/SkNXaXj1wADx48ZZ6>

**Trimester 3 Practical Nursing Students:**

We were recently awarded Grant Funding through the Federal American Rescue Plan to provide some financial support to students involved in our Practical Nursing Program. These emergency grants are meant to be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to the COVID-19 such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or childcare. Grants do not need to be repaid by the student.

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Requests can be submitted using this link:

<https://forms.gle/bq3wxKhRywsmhmwj8>

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