

### **Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Emergency Funds**

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act provides money to colleges and universities for emergency student grants. The purpose of the funding is to award emergency financial aid grants to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic.

As required by the Department of Education, Bryan University is providing information regarding the CARES Act funds:

1. Bryan University signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement document and the institution intends to use no less than 50 percent of the funds received to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. The total amount of funds Bryan University will receive from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students is \$166,844.00.
3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to student under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission is \$166,675.00.
4. The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in program 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 is approximately 80 students.
5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to student under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 59.
6. The method Bryan University used to determine which students may receive an Emergency Financial Aid Grant and how much they may receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act are as follows:
  - a. Students must certify they are requesting emergency funds for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus.
  - b. Students must certify that emergency grant funds are used to assist with expenses incurred in direct relation to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic and only the following expenses can be included; food, housing, course materials, health care, childcare and/or technology-related expenses.
  - c. Students must certify they are a current student and working towards a degree or certificate from Bryan University (Student status of active and/or active-LOA meets eligibility requirements. Student statuses will be verified when funds are requested from the Department of Education.)
  - d. Students must certify there were enrolled in at least one quarter credit hour in the 2.10.2020 term and/or the 3.16.2020 term at a campus based location (U.S. Department of Education guidelines state that at student must have started the quarter taking only in-person or a mixture of in-person and online courses).
  - e. Students must complete the CARES Act Student Acknowledgement document and return to Bryan University no later than 11.59p on May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020. This document may be completed and submitted electronically.
  - f. Students must certify they have a recent FAFSA (2019-2020 or 2020-2021) on file with BU. If students are chosen for verification, only information related to students identity and students' statement of educational purpose must be verified to be eligible to receive the CARES Act emergency grant funds.
  - g. Students must be eligible to receive Federal Title IV funds (including meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress requirements and not exceeding aggregate loan limits or pell limits).

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- h. Student must certify that all answers, information, and documentation (if applicable) provided is complete, true, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any misrepresentation, falsification, or omission of any facts in this acknowledgement may result in funds being denied.
  - i. Emergency grant amounts are determined based on the number of CARES Act Student Acknowledgement documents received and number of eligible students. The emergency grants will be equally divided between eligible students.
  - j. Bryan University does not guarantee that all CARES Act Student Acknowledgements submitted are eligible for funding.
  - k. Emergency grant amounts do not exceed the maximum amount of the 2019-2020 Federal Pell grant award (\$6,195).
- 7. Bryan University has provided students the following information and instructions regarding the Emergency Financial Aid Grants and copies are available upon request.
  - a. CARES Act – Student Email (Information and Instructions)
  - b. CARES Act – Student Learning Management System post (Information and Instructions)
  - c. CARES Act – Website (Information and Instructions)
  - d. CARES Act Student Acknowledgement Form