

CARES ACT: COMPLIANCE STATEMENT: KELLOGG COMMUNITY COLLEGE

This statement provides information to comply with reporting requirements for Kellogg Community College's participation in the CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund.

- I. On April 15, 2020 Kellogg Community College (KCC) signed and returned to the US Department of Education the Certification and Agreement to receive funds under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act for Students. On April 27, KCC received notification that funding was approved and available to be distributed to students. KCC 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 directly to students.
- II. The total amount of funds KCC has received from the US Department of Education pursuant to the Institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students is \$995,711.
- III. As of Wednesday, May 27, 2020 KCC has distributed \$615,675 under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
- IV. The estimated total number of students at KCC 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 to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act for the 2020 Spring semester is 2,861.
- V. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of May 27, 2020 is 1,949.
- VI. On March 18, 2020 Kellogg Community College elected to suspend all on campus courses and activities in compliance with the Governor's Executive Order 2020-11 which limited the number of individuals allowed in a public space to 50 or less. This abrupt closure and resulting change in instructional methodology from a face to face model to a required online only model caused undue hardship on all students electing to continue their studies and finish the 2020 Spring semester. On March 23, KCC transitioned all eligible courses to an online format for those students wishing to complete their required coursework. Any student meeting the US Department of Education's published eligibility requirements as of March 23, 2020 is identified as eligible to receive funding under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act Emergency Grant program. Noting that the US Department of Education placed an emphasis on disbursing funds to higher need students, KCC has elected to provide additional grant assistance to those students with a demonstrated Pell eligibility. The College is awarding and disbursing CARES Act funding in the following three ways:

- a. Any student that is actively enrolled as of March 23, 2020, that continues to meet the US Department of Education’s published eligibility requirements and has demonstrated eligibility to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 will automatically be eligible to receive an emergency grant. Grant amounts will be subject to the terms outlined in the table below.
- b. Students who are actively enrolled as of March 23, 2020 who have not met the initial demonstrated eligibility to participate in Title IV programs but do meet the US Department of Education’s published eligibility requirements to receive funding under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act will be given the opportunity to submit a self-certification document to assess eligibility. Grant amounts will be subject to the terms outlined in the table below.
- c. Students who did not meet the eligibility requirements under the above categories or those who feel they have additional unmet financial burdens directly related to the disruption of campus operations related to the Coronavirus pandemic will be given the opportunity to submit an application for additional emergency grant funds. Grant amounts will be subject to review of adequate supporting documentation and approved as funds remain available.

Funding Distribution Table for Spring 2020:

| ENROLLED CREDIT HOURS AS OF 3/23/2020 | 12 OR MORE | 11.999 – 9 | 8.999 – 6 | LESS THAN 6 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Title IV Eligible Recipients with Pell | \$ 500.00 | \$ 375.00 | \$ 250.00 | \$ 125.00 |
| Title IV Eligible Recipients without Pell | \$ 400.00 | \$ 300.00 | \$ 200.00 | \$ 100.00 |
| Self-Certified Title IV Eligible Recipients | \$ 400.00 | \$ 300.00 | \$ 200.00 | \$ 100.00 |

VII. KCC has published a public webpage <http://www.kellogg.edu/about/coronavirus/cares-act> providing a basic outline of the Federal program, specific eligibility criteria for KCC students, how the College is disbursing funds and a FAQ section with instructions and additional guidance. Media announcements and social media posts are being developed which will direct students to this site. Email notifications with links to this page are being sent to all eligible recipients informing them of their automatic award as funds are released. Email notifications will be released the week of May 29 to all students identified to participate in the self-certification process with links to this site as well.