

Pensacola State College
Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the CRRSAA and ARP programs
Quarterly Report
July 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021

- (1) Pensacola State College acknowledges that the institution has signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement and assures that the College has used the applicable amount of funds designated under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

- (2) The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the U.S. Department of Education pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students: **\$17,406,275**

- (3) The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grant funds distributed to students during the Quarter (July 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021): **\$4,713,478.88**

- (4) The estimated total number of students at the institution that are eligible to receive grants (whether they received funds or not) during the Quarter (July 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021):
 - a. The estimated total number is **3,534**. This is an unduplicated student headcount because the time frame spans two semesters (Summer 2021 and Fall 2021). Some students who were enrolled during both the Summer and Fall terms were eligible to receive grants during each term and were counted only once.

- (5) The total number of students who received Emergency Financial Aid Grant funds during the Quarter (July 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021):
 - a. The total number of students is **3,516**. This is an unduplicated student headcount because the time frame spans two semesters (Summer 2021 and Fall 2021). Some students who were enrolled during the Summer and Fall terms were eligible to receive grants during each term and were counted only once.

- (6) In an effort to maintain as much objectivity as possible, a rubric was developed with varying amounts of funding attached to each of the categories in which students could indicate that they had financial need: tuition, books/course materials, healthcare, food, transportation, housing, other needs. Students receiving PELL were given priority and an additional allocation of \$250. For the first time, in Fall 2021, students could indicate their desire and give authority to the College to pay their tuition directly from their grant award. To assist students with the most need, the College Administration determined that Dual Enrollment,

Recreation and Leisure, and Continuing Education students would not be eligible to receive funding. International students were included in the population of eligible students during the spring semester 2021. Adult Education and ESOL students were included in the population of eligible students beginning with Summer 2021. A separate application was developed for Adult Education and ESOL students due to them not currently being included in the business processes necessary to process awards (i.e., financial aid).

- (7) Instructions to students and all reports are maintained on a dedicated CARES web page (<https://www.pensacolastate.edu/cares/>). There is a “button” to the page located in a prominent place on the home page (<https://www.pensacolastate.edu>). Application portal availability is widely promoted on the College’s social media sites, via student email (PirateMail) and Canvas (the College’s Learning Management System) messages. When CARES Team members become aware of any misinformation or confusion, additional messaging is crafted and widely disseminated. For example: students appeared to be confused about whether or not their Title IV or State grant awards would be affected by any Emergency Financial Aid Grants received. The following message is now prominently displayed:

***** Please note: This CARES grant award does NOT impact your Title IV or State Grants (example – Pell, FSAG, or SEOG).*****