

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Reporting- Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

1. Vet Tech Institute of Houston has signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used, or 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 to students.
2. The total amount of funds that the institution has received from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students is \$251,015.
3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of update is \$198,750.
4. The estimated total number of students 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 is 205-213.
5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 194.
6. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act was based primarily on Expected Family Contribution ("EFC"), which is based on the FAFSA, supplemented by information from award applications and, in selected situations, additional verified information. All eligible students with an EFC less than \$10,000 received a grant of at least \$1,000.
7. The instructions, directions, and guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants included an initial notification and application to all students and then a signed attestation and/or agreement that depositing or cashing the check represented an acknowledgement that each student was responsible for using the grant money to offset expenses related to the pandemic-related disruption of campus operations. Such expenses may include food, housing, course materials and supplies, technology, health care, and childcare.

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