Required Data Reporting As of 12/31/2020:

Central Arizona College acknowledges that the institution 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.

– Central Arizona College has received $1,505,255 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students as of 12/31/2020.

– Central Arizona College has expended $1,346,698 as of 12/31/2020.
  – $1,118,950 was paid out via the CARES Technology Grant.
  – $227,748 was paid out via the CARES Emergency Fund.

– The total number of students eligible for funding is 3,848 as of 12/31/2020.

– The total number of students who have received funding is 3,197 (CARES Technology Grant) and 651 (additional CARES Emergency Funds) as of 12/31/2020.

CARES Act Round 1 Eligibility Requirements
In order to be eligible to receive CARES Act funding, students had to be enrolled in 3 or more credits in the Spring 2020 semester, as of 3/13/2020. The following classes were excluded from the calculations:
  • ESL/HSE classes
  • Classes tied to a “Community Education” program
  • 0-credit classes
  • Audited classes
  • Classes graded out before 3/13/2020
  • Classes where a student withdrew (even after 3/13/2020)
  • Classes taught at our prison facility
  • Classes tied to an online program
    o Diabetes Care and Education Certificate
    o Community Nutrition Worker Certificate
    o Nutrition and Health Promotion Certificate
    o Community Health Worker Certificate
    o Health Information Technology AAS
    o Coding and Reimbursement Certificate

If, after all of these class exclusions, a student was enrolled in 3 or more credits for Spring 2020, additional checks were made to verify eligibility. The following students were excluded from the calculations:
  • Students who were non-citizens
  • Students with no SSN or an invalid SSN
    o Invalid SSN’s included SSNs with a length less than 9 characters, or an SSN that was the same as the StuNum
  • Students who received the Early College Scholarship in Spring 2020
  • Students who were enrolled in any Dual Enrollment class in Spring 2020
  • Students with no high school transcripts on file (unless they had previously received Title IV aid)
  • Male students who had never received Title IV aid, or never submitted a FAFSA (to be in compliance with the Selective Service requirement)
All students who met all of the eligibility criteria were automatically awarded a $350 Federal CARES/HEERF Technology Grant. These students are also eligible to request additional funding.

If a student believes they meet eligibility criteria and have been denied assistance, they can verify information or submit supporting documentation with the Dean of Students Office. Students whose eligibility are verified will be approved to receive the CARES Technology Grant automatically, and the additional emergency grant, if requested, as funds are available.

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