

## **Notice regarding the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Distribution (HEERF II)**

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II (HEERF II) is authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Public Law 116-260, signed into law by President Donald J. Trump on Dec. 27, 2020 . This Public Law awards certain colleges with grant funding that is designed to help colleges and their students through the national pandemic.

Within this grant the total amount awarded to Employment Solutions, Inc./College for Technical Education is \$483,506, with \$137,785 is the student portion and \$345,721 is the institutional portion.

Employment Solutions, Inc./College for Technical Education signed an agreement/attestation at the beginning of the grant program that funds awarded to the college and those for the students would be used in the appropriate manner with the best guidelines possible through the Department of Education.

Mandates of this additional grant require that funds are to be distributed to students who receive Title IV Federal Financial Aid funding for their education.

The student portion is being disbursed directly to students in up to three separate periods to occur every three months until the student portion of the funds are exhausted. The first of these disbursements occurred on March 15, 2021. There were 63 total students enrolled at CTE. Of those, students 59 were eligible for the disbursement and one student refused. A total of \$28,500 was disbursed.

For students to be eligible for the initial disbursement, an application for the grant was required to be received by current students no later than February 28. These funds were to be distributed to students in the hopes to help those who may have experienced a disruption to their education due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

It is understood that disruptions to education may have affected the student's ability to provide for expenses such as housing, food, technology, health care, children, and course materials. In determining eligibility for an Emergency Financial Aid Grant in HEERF II, the campus used one of the suggested methods by

the US Department of Education's determination of Pell eligibility, which is determined independently for each student when completing the FAFSA.

Because these grants are awarded based upon student need and the student's desire and dedication to successfully complete their education, they were distributed following recommendations by the Department of Education for student eligibility. Students are not guaranteed grants when enrolling at Employment Solutions, Inc./College for Technical Education. Students must meet the following conditions for eligibility.

1. Must be a current student at time of disbursement; and
2. Will be awarded up to a maximum, and not in excess of \$500 per disbursement in equal distribution with other qualifying students at time of disbursement; and
3. Have applied and are eligible for Title IV funding Pell Grants; and
4. Must meet appropriate Student Academic Progress (SAP) as confirmed by the Student catalog and/or amendments distributed for extenuating circumstances.

These qualifications are subject to review and change prior to each disbursement and all current and incoming students are encouraged to submit an application for the grant. Individual student circumstances may be reviewed and considered at the discretion of the College.