CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant

Q What is the federal CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant?

The CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant Fund provides emergency financial aid grants to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus as stipulated by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) Act that was signed into law March 27, 2020. Awards will be distributed to eligible A.C.T. students based on FAFSA eligibility. A.C.T. signed and returned the Certification Agreement to the Department of Education attesting that awarded CARES Act funds will be used to provide federal emergency aid grants to A.C.T. students.

Q Who is eligible for the CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant and how will eligibility be determined?

Federal regulations require schools to confirm that a student receiving any CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Grant assistance be FAFSA eligible, which includes:

- Is a US Citizen or an eligible noncitizen
- Has a valid Social Security number
- Is registered with Selective Service, if you’re a male (you must register between the ages of 18 and 25)
- Is not in default on a federal student loan
- Does not owe money on a federal student grant
- Is currently enrolled in spring 2020 quarter

Q How much will eligible students receive in the CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant?

The CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant is one-time funding awarded to eligible A.C.T. students enrolled in spring 2020. Awards will be distributed equally to all eligible students.

Funding will be disbursed as indicated below (per student):

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When will eligible students receive the CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant?

The distribution of funds to eligible students will begin the week of May 5, 2020. If you have not received your funds by June 1, please contact Jerry Lopez (jlopez@act-sf.org). In the meantime, please sign up for direct deposit.

As of July 1, 2020 all eligible (34) students have received their Emergency Grant of $372.29.

Why didn’t I receive a CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant?

If you are ineligible for a CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant, and if you or your family was significantly affected by issues associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, we may be able to help you with other basic-need resources. For more information, please contact Financial Aid.

How much CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant aid were awarded to A.C.T. for student grants and to how many students is this being distributed?

- A.C.T. received a total of $12,658 in Emergency Federal Financial Aid Grant Aid to be awarded to FAFSA eligible students.
- The number of registered students in spring 2020 was estimated at 36.
- Of registered students, 34 met the CARES Act eligibility criteria.
- The projected number of CARES Act recipients is 34, and represents 94% of ALL students registered in spring 2020.
- The projected number of CARE Act recipients is 34, and represents 100% of registered students meeting eligibility criteria.