

HEERF II

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act

Congress passed the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) which will deliver emergency funding assistance to East Mississippi Community College to be distributed to its students who have expenses related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Acknowledgement

East Mississippi Community College (EMCC) signed and returned the Agreement to the US Department of Education. The amount of CRRSAA grant funds used for students was the same amount in grant funds that was received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide emergency financial aid grants to students, which is \$1,699,443.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be a citizen of the US or an eligible non-citizen
- Students must have been currently enrolled at EMCC at the point of determination for the spring 2021 term

Enrolled students who met the requirements received an email from EMCC directing them to a secure online application to complete. The online application would certify that the student had expenses related to the COVID-19 disruption and a U.S. citizen. It also provided the opportunity for the student to give permission to EMCC to use the funds to pay an outstanding balance. The deadline to complete the online application was April 30, 2021.

Distribution

Funds were electronically disbursed to students via BankMobile. The funds that were not accessed by the student on their BankMobile account were returned to the institution by BankMobile. The institution then cut a paper check for these students and mailed it to the student address that was on file at the college.

There were an estimated 2564 students enrolled for spring 2021 that could have been eligible for CRRSAA funding. As of May 4, 2021, funds disbursed total \$819,675 to 1184 students.

Spring 2021 semester method for awarding.

Students who completed the FAFSA and were Pell eligible

	# of Students	Award Per Student	Total Awarded
Full-time	638	\$900	\$574,200
Less than full-time	105	\$650	\$68,250

Students who were not Pell eligible or did not complete a FAFSA

	# of Students	Award Per Student	Total Awarded
Full-time	191	\$550	\$105,050
Less than full-time	83	\$400	\$33,200
Workforce students	54	\$290 (average award)	\$15,650