

**Wallace Community College-Dothan (WCCD)  
Cares Act Advance Student Funds Disbursement Plan  
April 30, 2020 (Revised per updated Guidance)**

Students impacted by financial challenges and instructional disruption due to the COVID-19 pandemic will receive direct financial support from Wallace Community College-Dothan (WCCD) as a benefit of federal *CARES Act* funding signed into law on March 27, 2020.

The *CARES Act* provides institutions with significant discretion on how to award this emergency assistance to students. In accordance with federal and state guidance, WCCD will disburse *Cares Act* funding to assist all eligible students offset attendance-related costs such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care.

The College has identified **2870 eligible Spring Semester 2020 students**. Eligible students have been identified using DOE guidance and the ACCS guidance provided in the April 22, 2020 *ACCS MEMO 2020-EXE-033 Amended*.

**All certified eligible students** will receive a direct payment of **\$585.00** by May 25, 2020, which is 30 days after the College signed the Department of Education (DOE) certification agreement.

The College is using the universal disbursement method to offer aid to all eligible students to offset attendance-related costs. The disbursement method and amount were determined using the method and minimum technology amount suggested in the April 14, 2020 *ACCS MEMO 2020-EXE-033* of \$300.00, with an additional \$285.00 included to offset other costs.

Once the plan is approved by ACCS, the College will begin disbursing these payments, totaling **\$1,677,879**. Disbursement will be by checks mailed to students' home addresses or by direct deposit and will occur in two initial phases.

Phase 1: The College will disperse *CARES Act* aid to the **1833 eligible Pell Grant recipients** enrolled Spring Semester 2020. (\$585.00)

Phase 2: The College **has identified an additional 1037** Spring Semester 2020 students who have not completed a FAFSA but meet Title IV eligibility requirements. These students will certify eligibility using the included form, which will be emailed to students to be completed electronically. Selective service will be verified by logging into [www.sss.gov/verify](http://www.sss.gov/verify). Funds will be dispersed following certification. (\$585.00)

The College has notified students via email that eligibility must be established to receive *CARES Act* funds. Please see the email sent to WCCD students on April 29, 2020.

The College proposes to use the remaining **\$148,929** of the funding to be distributed, based on need, in a third phase to eligible Spring Semester 2020 students.

Phase 3: The remaining funds will be disbursed using a needs based application process managed through the College's Financial Aid Office. Only eligible Spring Semester 2020 students will be able to apply for aid.

The College expects to disburse all *CARES Act* aid by July 1, 2020.



# CARES ACT Emergency Financial Aid Grant

## CARES Act Certification Form

Please complete the following form for CARES Act eligibility certification.

### Eligibility Requirements

- Only students who are or could be eligible to receive funds under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher

Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), may receive the emergency financial aid funds under CARES Act.

Mainly, students who have filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) demonstrate eligibility to

participate in programs under Section 484 of the HEA. Students who have not filed a FAFSA but who are

eligible to file a FAFSA may also receive emergency financial aid funds.

- Students must be currently enrolled for Spring Semester 2020 at WCC as of March 16, 2020, in a degree or

certificate program.

- Students must be U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens.

- Students must have a high school diploma, GED, or have completed high school in an approved homeschool

setting.

- Male students must be registered with Selective Service.

Hi Annajeane, when you submit this form, the owner will be able to see your name and email address.

\* Required

### 1. Student Number \*

123

2. Phone Number (including area code) \*

123

3. Current Mailing Address (Street, City, State, and Zip Code). \*

123

4. Because of the disruption in the College's operation due to COVID-19, did you incur any extra expenses relating to child care, technology, food, health care, housing, or course related materials? \*

☐ Yes

☐ No

5. Are you eligible to receive funds under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 as described in the eligibility requirements section above? \*

☒ Yes

☐ No

6. Are you a U.S. Citizen? \*

☐ Yes

☒ No

7. Please check the appropriate Citizenship status. \*

- ☐ U.S. National (includes natives of American Samoa or Swains Island)
- ☐ U.S. permanent resident (who has an I-151, I551, or I551C) (Permanent Resident Card)
- ☐ Alien with an Arrival Departure Record (I-94) from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
- ☐ Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals
- ☐ T non-immigrant status (T-Visa)
- ☐ Battered immigrant-qualified alien
- ☐ Citizen of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of Marshall Islands, or the Republic of Palau
- ☐ Native American students born in Canada with a status under the Jay Treaty of 1789.
- ☐ Have a Notice of Approval to Apply for Permanent Residence
- ☐ F-1 or F-2 non-immigrant student visa, or on a J-1 or J-2 non-immigrant Exchange Visitor Visa
- ☐ G series visa

8. If you are a male student, are you registered with the Selective Service? \*

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I am not a male student

9. Please re-type your name to accept the following: Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have completed this application to the best of my knowledge and belief, and the information that I presented is true, correct, and complete. With the submission of this form, I agree fully with this statement and the contents of this form. \*

Submit

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**Ashli Wilkins**

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**From:** Mickey Baker  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 29, 2020 11:32 AM  
**Subject:** Update on CARES Act Emergency Aid

Greetings, Students.

The College has received additional guidance from the US Department of Education (USDOE) regarding the CARES Act funding. The USDOE is requiring colleges and universities to certify the eligibility of ALL our students BEFORE we send CARES Act checks.

This new guidance will require one additional step for SOME students to complete, and those students will be notified via email to complete a certification form. **So, it is VERY IMPORTANT that you monitor your student email as well as Blackboard and respond promptly to ensure you receive your funds as quickly as possible.**

The following students do not need to certify: PELL recipients and dual enrollment students.

I hope your finals are going well! Stay safe and healthy!

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