

St. Johns River State College
Reporting for Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES), Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) & American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
Student Emergency Aid Grants to Students

1. St. Johns River State College (SJR State) acknowledges that has signed and returned the Certification of Agreement for CARES, CRRSAA and ARPA student emergency grant funds. The institution will use the amount of funds designated under Section 314(a)(1) to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
2. St. Johns River State College has received \$8,777,612 for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students pursuant to the Certification and Agreement under CARES (\$1,498,969), CRRSAA (\$1,498,969) and ARPA (\$5,779,674). The College will spend at least \$8,777,612 on Emergency Grants to Students under these Acts.
3. As of September 30, 2021, St. Johns River State College has distributed \$5,426,000 in Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under CARES, CRRSAA and ARPA. Additional dollars were supplied by institutional funds under CARES and CRRSAA (a)(1).
4. The College estimates 4,000 students at SJR State are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under CARES, CRRSAA, and ARPA.
5. As of September 30, 2021, 2274 students at SJR State received Emergency Financial Aid Grants.
6. SJR State utilized the following guidelines to determine student eligibility: 1) the requirements of Section 314(a)(1) of CARES, CRRSAA, ARPA, 2) the certification agreement for the awards, and 3) guidance provided by the U.S. Department of Education for the Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

Based on these requirements and guidelines, the College established and updated eligibility criteria for awards each quarter. For the quarter, the criteria are as follows:

The award levels prioritized students with exceptional need:

- Students with an expected family contribution in the Pell-eligible range (verified from FAFSA data) will be awarded a maximum award of \$2500.
- Students with an expected family contribution above the Pell-eligible range who have an unmet need of at least \$1500 (verified from FAFSA data) will receive a maximum award of \$1500.

Eligibility criteria included that students:

- Be enrolled in a degree, college credit, career certificate program, adult education or personal objectives at SJR State and actively taking courses toward the program in the term in which the HEERF III award is made
- Have an error-free, verified 2020-21 free application for federal student aid (FAFSA) for the term in which the HEERF III award is made
- Not be dual enrolled
- Have not previously received maximum ARPA HEERF III award from SJR State

Student eligibility requirements were gathered using information in the College's Student Information System. Students that met minimum eligibility were reviewed and manually examined to ensure eligibility.

The amounts were set to prioritize those students with exceptional need, to provide significant support across the population estimated to be eligible, and to facilitate a timely distribution of the funds to students.

7. Eligible students receiving awards were contacted by email. The content of the publications included the purpose, eligibility and requirements of the awards as well as links to information. Information about the awards is posted at <http://sjrstate.edu/caresactgrant.html>