**Connecticut State Colleges and Universities**

**Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Reporting – Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students**

Sections 18004(e) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act” or the ““Act”), Pub. L. No. 116-136, 134 Stat. 281 (March 27, 2020), directs institutions receiving finds under Section 18004 of the Act to submit (in a time and manner required by the Secretary) a report to the Secretary describing the use of funds distributed from the higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (“HEERF”). Section 18004 (c) of the CARES Act requires institutions to use no less than 50 percent of the funds received from Section 18004 (a) (1) of the CARES act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to Coronavirus (including eligible expenses under a student’s cost of attendance such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care). On April 9, 2020, the Department published documents related to the Emergency Financial Aid Grants, including a letter from Secretary Betsy DeVos, a form Certification and Agreement for signing and returning by institutions to access the funds, and a list of institutional allocations under 18004 (a) (1).

This document provides reporting as required by Section 18004(e) of the CARES Act.

Note that Central Connecticut State University, Southern Connecticut State University, Eastern Connecticut State University, and Western Connecticut State Universities are providing separate reporting on the CARES Act funds.

1. Each of the listed institutions signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

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| IHE | OPEID |
| Asnuntuck CC | 01115000 |
| Capital CC | 00763500 |
| Gateway CC | 00803700 |
| Housatonic CC | 00451300 |
| Manchester CC | 00139200 |
| Middlesex CC | 00803800 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | 00698200 |
| Northwestern CC | 00139800 |
| Norwalk CC | 00139900 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | 01053000 |
| Three Rivers CC | 00976500 |
| Tunxis CC | 00976400 |

1. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution’s Certification and Agreement {for} Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students:

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| IHE | Amount Received |
| Asnuntuck CC | $ 3,629,865 |
| Capital CC | $ 6,592,676 |
| Gateway CC | $12,935,591 |
| Housatonic CC | $10,464,778 |
| Manchester CC | $ 9,903,215 |
| Middlesex CC | $ 3,828,878 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | $11,357,909 |
| Northwestern CC | $ 1,878,261 |
| Norwalk CC | $ 9,241,341 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | $ 2,645,678 |
| Three Rivers CC | $ 7,085,882 |
| Tunxis CC | $ 6,663,110 |

1. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the initial report and every calendar quarter thereafter):

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| IHE | Amount Distributed to Students as of March 31, 2022\* |
| Asnuntuck CC | $ 3,629,865 |
| Capital CC | $ 6,592,676 |
| Gateway CC | $12,935,591 |
| Housatonic CC | $10,464,778 |
| Manchester CC | $ 9,903,215 |
| Middlesex CC | $ 3,828,878 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | $11,357,909 |
| Northwestern CC | $ 1,878,261 |
| Norwalk CC | $ 9,241,341 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | $ 2,645,678 |
| Three Rivers CC | $ 7,085,882 |
| Tunxis CC | $ 6,663,110 |

\*The amounts distributed reflect that all Student Grant funds for every college were fully disbursed to students. Note: The actual awarded amounts for each college was higher than the amounts reflected above. We anticipate that there will be some uncashed checks that will be cancelled 6 months after the issue date. See table and notes under number 13.

1. The estimated total number of students at the institution eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under section 18004(1)(1) of the CARES Act:

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| --- | --- |
| IHE | Estimated total number of students eligible |
| Asnuntuck CC | 3,289 |
| Capital CC | 6,127 |
| Gateway CC | 13,614 |
| Housatonic CC | 8,983 |
| Manchester CC | 11,276 |
| Middlesex CC | 5,358 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | 11,321 |
| Northwestern CC | 2,732 |
| Norwalk CC | 10,555 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | 2,681 |
| Three Rivers CC | 6,920 |
| Tunxis CC | 7,985 |

1. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(1)(1) of the CARES Act:

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| IHE | Number of unique students who have received a grant as 3/31/2022 |
| Asnuntuck CC | 3,289 |
| Capital CC | 6,127 |
| Gateway CC | 13,614 |
| Housatonic CC | 8,983 |
| Manchester CC | 11,276 |
| Middlesex CC | 5,358 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | 11,321 |
| Northwestern CC | 2732 |
| Norwalk CC | 10,555 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | 2,681 |
| Three Rivers CC | 6,920 |
| Tunxis CC | 7,985 |

1. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students received Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

Spring 2020 Students: For the Community Colleges listed, all students with a Spring 2020 FAFSA on file were eligible. Student who were eligible on all criteria except the student did not file a FAFSA for Spring 2020 were asked to sign an attestation form. Each eligible student received a grant in the following amounts:

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| IHE | Spring 2020 per Student Grant |
| Asnuntuck CC | $494.48 |
| Capital CC | $391.98 |
| Gateway CC | $390.54 |
| Housatonic CC | $461.22 |
| Manchester CC | $361.15 |
| Middlesex CC | $340.38 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | $391.26 |
| Northwestern CC | $273.26 |
| Norwalk CC | $386.63 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | $420.16 |
| Three Rivers CC | $362.49 |
| Tunxis CC | $337.17 |

1. Fall 2020 Students: For Community Colleges listed, all students with a Fall 2020 FAFSA on file were eligible. Each eligible student for Fall 2020 received a grant in the following amounts:

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| IHE | Fall 2020 per Student Grant |
| Asnuntuck CC | $296.22 |
| Capital CC | $137.76 |
| Gateway CC | $178.49 |
| Housatonic CC | $185.31 |
| Manchester CC | $235.74 |
| Middlesex CC | $223.27 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | $232.41 |
| Northwestern CC | $179.50 |
| Norwalk CC | $301.49 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | $200.15 |
| Three Rivers CC | $168.07 |
| Tunxis CC | $186.15 |

1. Spring 2021 Students: For the Community Colleges listed, all students for Spring 2021 who were not specifically excluded were eligible. Excluded students included international and undocumented students and students attending under an employee or dependent waive. Three grant amounts were awarded at each college. Students with the most need were prioritized and received the highest grant amounts:

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| IHE | Spring 2021 - Pell eligible with a $0 EFC | Spring 2021 – Pell eligible with EFC greater than $0 | All other eligible students |
| Asnuntuck CC | $1,519 | $1,027 | $ 81 |
| Capital CC | $ 766 | $ 589 | $ 98 |
| Gateway CC | $ 852 | $ 595 | $ 77 |
| Housatonic CC | $ 975 | $ 749 | $117 |
| Manchester CC | $1,078 | $ 590 | $ 67 |
| Middlesex CC | $1,078 | $ 580 | $ 57 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | $ 982 | $ 620 | $ 79 |
| Northwestern CC | $ 833 | $ 465 | $ 44 |
| Norwalk CC | $1,043 | $ 619 | $ 70 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | $ 944 | $ 717 | $ 85 |
| Three Rivers CC | $ 982 | $ 548 | $ 74 |
| Tunxis CC | $ 904 | $ 483 | $ 65 |

1. August 2021 Student Emergency Grant payments were made to any student who was enrolled in credit courses since March 13, 2020. The following students were excluded: Students who received an employee or dependent waiver or those students who withdrew from courses before March 13, 2020. Students with an EFC less than $11,153 were prioritized based on need and were awarded a grant amount of $350. All other students received a grant amount of $100:

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| IHE | August 2021 - Pell eligible with an EFC of less than $11,153 | August 2021 – Students with and EFC greater than $11,152 |
| Asnuntuck CC | $350 | $100 |
| Capital CC | $350 | $100 |
| Gateway CC | $350 | $100 |
| Housatonic CC | $350 | $100 |
| Manchester CC | $350 | $100 |
| Middlesex CC | $350 | $100 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | $350 | $100 |
| Northwestern CC | $350 | $100 |
| Norwalk CC | $350 | $100 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | $350 | $100 |
| Three Rivers CC | $350 | $100 |
| Tunxis CC | $350 | $100 |

1. For Fall 2021, two distributions were made. The first distribution was made in October to students who were registered for credit courses as of the census date. Students who were eligible for Pell received $600 and all other students received $300. Below is a table the contains the number of students in each category by college:

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| IHE | Number of Pell eligible  $600 payment | All other students  $300 payment | Total number of students |
| Asnuntuck CC | 551 | 496 | 1,047 |
| Capital CC | 1,533 | 883 | 2,416 |
| Gateway CC | 3,204 | 2,358 | 5,562 |
| Housatonic CC | 2,168 | 1,201 | 3,369 |
| Manchester CC | 2,255 | 2,112 | 4,367 |
| Middlesex CC | 932 | 1,009 | 1,941 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | 2,646 | 2,046 | 4,692 |
| Northwestern CC | 556 | 473 | 1,029 |
| Norwalk CC | 2,046 | 1,996 | 4,042 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | 535 | 509 | 1,044 |
| Three Rivers CC | 1,707 | 1,246 | 2,953 |
| Tunxis CC | 1,873 | 1,377 | 3,250 |
|  | 20,006 | 15,706 | 35,712 |

1. The second distribution was made in December 2021. Each student who was registered as of December 1, 2021 for at least one credit course received an award based on the number of recipients and the college’s balance. Below is a table that contains the number and amount paid by each college:

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| IHE | Number of eligible students | Payment amount |
| Asnuntuck CC | 1,125 | $1,080 |
| Capital CC | 2,396 | $750 |
| Gateway CC | 5,634 | $580 |
| Housatonic CC | 3,541 | $950 |
| Manchester CC | 4,396 | $560 |
| Middlesex CC | 1,960 | $240 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | 4,826 | $550 |
| Northwestern CC | 1,092 | $170 |
| Norwalk CC | 4,396 | $550 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | 1,083 | $670 |
| Three Rivers CC | 3,021 | $600 |
| Tunxis CC | 3,289 | $320 |

1. Students who were registered for Fall 2021 credit classes were also given the opportunity to apply for additional resources based on their unique circumstances. They were instructed to fill out an online application which included a description of their specific pandemic-related hardship. Students who successfully completed the process received a one-time $1,500 award. The table below contains the information by college:

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| IHE | Number of eligible Emergency Grants $1,500 |
| Asnuntuck CC | 103 |
| Capital CC | 229 |
| Gateway CC | 124 |
| Housatonic CC | 309 |
| Manchester CC | 241 |
| Middlesex CC | 206 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | 405 |
| Northwestern CC | 107 |
| Norwalk CC | 98 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | 70 |
| Three Rivers CC | 203 |
| Tunxis CC | 328 |

1. For all colleges, the actual Student Grant payments exceeded the available Student Grant funds that were awarded. The intent of this strategy was to ensure that all student grant funds were distributed to eligible recipients prior to the close of the program. We anticipated that some students would not cash their check. These uncashed checks will be cancelled, and any remaining overages will be charged to the college’s available institutional HEERF funds. Note: For the period January 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022, no new student grants were paid. The actual activity reflects checks that were cancelled during this quarter:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| IHE | Amount disbursed as of 03/31/2022 | Amount awarded to each College | Amount over-disbursed as of March 31, 2022 (prior to final check cancellations) |
| Asnuntuck CC | $3,681,687.12 | $3,629,865 | $51,822.12 |
| Capital CC | $6,625,487.56 | $6,592,676 | $32,811.56 |
| Gateway CC | $13,032,707.90 | $12,935,591 | $97,116.90 |
| Housatonic CC | $10,656,835.51 | $10,464,778 | $192,057.51 |
| Manchester CC | $9,996,752.26 | $9,903,215 | $93,537.26 |
| Middlesex CC | $3,852,574.14 | $3,828,878 | $23,696.14 |
| Naugatuck Valley CC | $11,470,902.80 | $11,357,909 | $112,993.80 |
| Northwestern CC | $1,903,975.84 | $1,878,261 | $25,714.84 |
| Norwalk CC | $9,322,015.91 | $9,241,341 | $80,674.91 |
| Quinebaug Valley CC | $2,670,884.93 | $2,645,678 | $25,206.93 |
| Three Rivers CC | $7,126,531.02 | $7,085,882 | $40,649.02 |
| Tunxis CC | $6,696,352.90 | $6,663,110 | $33,242.90 |