

Emergency Relief Fund Reporting – Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

- 1. On May 10, 2020, Paul Mitchell The School Chicago 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.
- 2. Paul Mitchell The School Chicago received \$313,349 from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Student.
- 3. Paul Mitchell The School Chicago distributed the following amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act;
 - 6/1/20, \$151,256.85 was distributed to approximately 268 students as Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
 - 7/1/20, \$153,739.86 as distributed to approximately 270 students as Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
- 4. 270 students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. As of 9/17/20, 265 students have cashed their check. The remaining 5 students have until 10/1/20 to cash their check. Any funds not cashed by that date will be redistributed to eligible students.

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Subject: Policy on distribution of CARES Grant funds to students

To address the pressing financial need of higher education schools and students due to the disruption of campus operations from coronavirus, Paul Mitchell The School Chicago received a grant in the amount of \$313,349 from the U.S. Department of Education. The funds must be used to cover 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 childcare). Students attending campuses in Chicago IL and Lombard IL must meet the following criteria to receive funds from this grant:

- 1. Only students who are or could be eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), may receive emergency financial aid grants. If a student has filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), then the student has demonstrated eligibility to participate in programs under Section 484 the HEA. Students who have not filed a FAFSA but who are eligible to file a FAFSA also may receive emergency financial aid grants. The criteria to participate in programs under Section 484 of the HEA include but are not limited to the following: U.S. citizenship or eligible noncitizen; a valid Social Security number; registration with Selective Service (if the student is male); and a high school diploma, GED, or completion of high school in an approved homeschool setting.
- 2. Must be currently enrolled in a Title IV eligible program as of March 13, 2020.
 - a. Students who took a "Leave of Absence" on or after March 13, 2020 are eligible. if the reason for the leave of absence was related to COVID-19. The school must document the specific reason for the leave of absence to show that it was COVID-19 related.
 - b. Students who started in a Title IV eligible program after March 13, 2020 are eligible.
- 3. Must be 18 years or over, or if younger, currently receiving Title IV assistance.
- 4. Must have a graduation date after March 13, 2020.
- 5. Students who start school after July 1, 2020 or later are not eligible for funds.

The school will distribute the funds to each eligible student based on a "share" system as follows:

- > 3 Shares: Student has been awarded a PELL Grant & Direct Loan
- > 2 Shares: Student has been awarded a Direct Loan OR PELL Grant
- > 1 Share: Student is a Cash Pay

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For example:

	Total Grant Amount		\$ 10,000	
			Grant Amount	Total Grant Amount Per
	Number of	Total	Per	Share
~	Students	Shares	Student	System
3 Shares	5	15	\$1,304.35	\$ 6,521.74
2 Shares	3	6	\$ 869.57	\$ 2,608.70
1 Share	2	2	\$ 434.78	\$ 869.57
Total	10	23		\$ 10,000.00

Average Grant Amount Per Student \$ 1,000

The School will distribute 50% of the total funds under this process in 2 separate disbursements 30 days apart. If the student does not cash their grant checks bu October 1, 2020, the funds will then be disbursed to other eligible students.

Disbursement 1 (does not include new starts who started school after the date of disbursement 1)

Date of Disbursement: June 1, 2020

Total Amount of Disbursement: \$151,256.85

Average Disbursement Amount Per Student: \$564.39

Total Number of Students Receiving a Disbursement: 268

Disbursement 2 (does not include graduates whose graduation date was prior to the date of disbursement 1)

Date of Disbursement: July 1, 2020

Total Amount of Disbursement: \$153,739.86

Average Disbursement Amount Per Student: \$569.41

Total Number of Students Receiving a Disbursement: 270

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Each eligible student will need to sign the Student Agreement for CARES Act document to acknowledge acceptance of the terms of the grant before the funds will be disbursed. The accounting of the funds will be tracked by the school and reported to the U.S. Department of Education.

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