



Emergency Relief Fund Reporting – Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

Due to the ongoing disruption caused by the COVID-19 global pandemic, which continues to create enormous challenges for students and schools throughout the country, the U.S. Department of Education is providing additional emergency aid to students thru the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA). Financial aid grants for students may be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or childcare.

1. On January 15, 2021, Paul Mitchell The School - Esani signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education the Certification and Agreement in order to participate in the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, and the assurance that the institution will use all of the funds allocated under section 314(a)(4) of the CRRSAA to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

2. Paul Mitchell The School - Esani received \$286,454 from the U.S. Department of Education pursuant to the institution's Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (Proprietary Institution Grant Funds for Students) (Red C&A) Certification and Agreement.

3. Paul Mitchell The School – Esani distributed the following amount of Emergency Financial Aid to students:

Grants to students under Proprietary Institution Grant Funds for Students (CFDA 84.425Q):

On April 20, 2021, \$128,330.72 was distributed to 112 students as Emergency Financial Aid Grants under the CRRSAA Act.

On April 21, 2021, \$12,603.91 was distributed to 11 students as Emergency Financial Aid Grants under the CRRSAA Act.

On April 26, 2021, \$1,145.81 was distributed to 1 student as Emergency Financial Aid Grants under the CRRSAA Act.

If the ACH fails due to the student not providing the correct bank information, and the student does not provide the correct information within 60 days after notification, the funds will be redistributed to other qualifying students.



The CRRSAA requires that the school must prioritize students with *exceptional need*, such as students who receive Pell Grants, in awarding financial aid grants to students. However, students do not need to be only Pell recipients or students who are eligible for Pell grants.

Schools in the distribution of the Grant funds may not (1) condition the receipt of financial aid grants to students on continued or future enrollment in the institution, (2) use the financial aid grants to satisfy a student's outstanding account balance, unless it has obtained the student's written (or electronic), affirmative consent, or (3) require such consent as a condition of receipt of or eligibility for the financial aid grant. If a student decides to allow the school to apply part or all of the funds they receive under the CRRSAA grant towards their balance owed to the school, that student must sign a statement giving the school consent to apply the funds to their account balance, otherwise the funds will be directly disbursed to the student.

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 - Esani received a CRRSAA grant funds in the amount of \$286,454 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 tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care or childcare).

To be eligible students must meet the following criteria:

1. Participate or could 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. For Disbursement #1, must be currently enrolled in a Title IV eligible program as of February 19, 2021. For Disbursement #2 must be enrolled in a Title IV eligible program as of June 22, 2021, and started between March 1, 2021 and June 23, 2021 or started prior to March 1 and did not present documentation to support financial need as of April 26, 2021.



3. Must be 18 years or over, or if younger, currently receiving Title IV assistance.
4. Must have exceptional need by meeting one of the following criteria:
 - a) Eligible for Pell for the award year 2020-2021
 - b) Have an EFC under 5711.
 - c) Have had a substantial change in financial status such as unemployment or significant decrease in pay.
5. Must submit an application.

An equal amount will be distributed to each qualifying student.

Each student will need to sign the Student Agreement for CRRSAA 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.

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

Dates of Disbursement: 4/20/21, 4/21/21, and 4/26/21

Total Amount of Disbursement: \$ 142,080.44

Total Number of Students Receiving a Disbursement: 124

Disbursement 2 (Scheduled for July 2021)