West Georgia Technical College CARES Act Student Disbursement Plan – 2nd Grant Allocation

Student Allocation: \$2,221,403

West Georgia Technical College will follow and adhere to the regulations and guidelines in the CARES/HEERF grant legislation, and disburse funds to eligible students for emergency assistance related to the disruption of campus operations and instruction due to the COVID-19 virus pandemic. West Georgia Technical College will utilize significant discretion on awarding these emergency assistance grants to eligible students. It would be impossible to identify direct obstacles each student has incurred, but it is common knowledge no one student has been left without financial distress due to the factors listed in the legislation. West Georgia Technical College will make every effort to ensure the quick and equitable distribution of the funds to students while still following mandated guidelines.

Eligibility:

- Enrolled in spring semester 2021 (eliminates those who were not enrolled as of January 14th)
- Enrolled in an eligible program that leads to a certificate, diploma or degree
- Met all admissions requirements
- Exclusions:
 - Dual Enrollment student (HS or equivalent must be completed)-Code H
 - Foreign Students (includes DACA)-Code F
 - Transient Students (receive funds from home institution)-Code A

Eligible Student Population

4467 students meet the above criteria

Process for Awarding and Disbursing Emergency Funds to Students- Funds will be awarded and disbursed, by the Office of Financial Aid, onto student accounts using the CARES Act fund code identified by TCSG.

- 1. Each student account will show a credit balance. CARES Act funds cannot be used to cover tuition and fees unless a student authorization is completed. This will generate a refund.
- 2. Business Office will upload credit balance to BankMobile for release to the students.

Funding Methodology

West Georgia Technical College will automatically award all eligible students based on the following criteria.

(1) Eligible Spring term students only:

| Tier | Award |
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| Tier 1: Zero EFC + FT (9+ credit hours) | \$500 |
| Tier 2: Zero EFC + PT (1-8 credit hours) | \$375 |
| Tier 3: EFC \$1 - \$5,711 | \$250 |
| Tier 4: EFC \$5,712 - \$99,999 | \$125 |
| Tier 5: No KNOWN EFC - | \$50 |
| Total | 1,179,250.00 |

| (2) | Reserve for summer and fall |
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