## Pinellas Technical College Corona virus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) Accountability Report November 4, 2020

- 1. Pinellas Technical College signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution intends to use no less than 50% of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
- The total amount of the funds received from the Department of Education pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for the Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students is \$1,148,139 (Clearwater - \$527,113, St. Petersburg - \$621,026).
- **3.** The total amount of the Emergency Financial Aid distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of **Nov 4**, **2020** is **\$319,228.68**.
- 4. The estimated total number of students at Pinellas Technical College eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is **1,077**.
- The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is 516 as of Nov 4, 2020. The first disbursement was May 29, 2020 and a second on July 15. Additional disbursement where granted 9/16/2020. 10/15/2020 and 11/4/2020.
- 6. The method used by Pinellas Technical College to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much each would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act is as follows:
  - Be a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen;
  - Present a valid Social Security number;
  - Document registration with Selective Service (if the student is Male);
  - Have a high school diploma or GED;
  - Have completed a 2019/20 or 2020/21 FAFSA Financial Aid Application;
  - Be actively enrolled as of 3/24/2020 in a traditional or hybrid learning career certificate program to qualify for the first distributions. Subsequent distributions will be to students returning to PTC that withdrew due to COVID related concerns/issues and to students that can demonstrate need due to disruptions caused by COVID 19. Newly enrolled students may receive a disbursement if classroom learning is

## disrupted due to COVID. Online exclusive programs, fee support programs and dual enrolled students are not eligible for a grant.

Students who meet ALL the eligibility criteria above, will automatically receive a one-time payment of **\$600** sent to the mailing address on file with PTC Student Services.

If additional disruptions to student educational services arise, additional disbursements may be available.

7. Instructions, directions, and guidance provided to the students from Pinellas Technical College is noted below:

Students needing to complete the FAFSA Financial Aid Application should visit www.fafsa.ed.gov or <u>MystudentAidApp</u> on your mobile device.

School codes: Clearwater- 005605 St. Petersburg- 13917

Contact your financial aid office 5 days AFTER your application has been submitted. FAFSA applications must be completed by July 31, 2020 for a student to be considered for grant.

A student may use the grant funds to help offset the financial struggle of:

- Tuition and fees
- Course materials (textbooks and/or supplies)
- Technology (computer, online access fees, etc.)
- Food
- Housing
- Health care
- Child care
- Transportation

Other questions concerning the CARES Act Grant should be directed to the financial aid office on your PTC Campus.

Clearwater campus: 727.538.7167

St. Petersburg campus: 727.893.2500