## Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Report – Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

## Last Updated January 12, 2021

**Johnny Matthew's Hairdressing Training School (OPE ID:04266300)** received education stabilization funds under Section 18004(a)(1) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"), Public Law No: 116-136. This Fund Report applies to the student portion received under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund that is designated exclusively for emergency financial aid grants to students.

The institution appreciates that Congress has made these critical funds available for eligible students who have expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus pandemic. We take receipt of these federal funds seriously and are distributing them in accordance with the CARES Act and implementing guidance.

The institution is making the below information available for transparency purposes and in compliance with the U.S. Department of Education's Electronic Announcement of May 6, 2020. For questions or concerns regarding this Fund Report, please contact Matthew Nolan, School Director, at Matthew Johnny Matthews.com.

- 1. The institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. 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. 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 is \$67,555.
- 3. 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 this Fund Report is \$67,554.83.
- 4. 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 under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act, as of the date of this Fund Report is <u>53</u>.
- 5. The total number of students who have received an emergency financial aid grant under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of this Fund Report is 49.
- 6. The methods used by the institution to determine which students receive emergency financial aid grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act are provided below under **Johnny Matthew's HEERF Determination and Distribution Method(s)**.
- 7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the emergency financial aid grants are provided below under <a href="Helpful Information and FAO Links for Students">Helpful Information and FAO Links for Students</a>.

## Johnny Matthew's HEERF Determination and Distribution Method(s)

The method(s) used by Johnny Matthew's Hairdressing Training School to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act are listed below.

A student must meet all of the following in order to qualify for a CARES Act HEERF Grant:

- 1. Student incurred expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19.
- 2. Student was actively enrolled during March 27th, 2020 August 17th, 2020 or experienced a disruption or delay with completing their graduating requirements by March 27, 2020 due to COVID-19 and/or quarantine related reasons.
- 3. Student is either currently actively enrolled, has met their hours for graduation, or withdrew specifically due to COVID-19 related concerns.

<sup>1</sup> See: https://ifap.ed.gov/electronic-announcements/050620HigherEdEmergencyReliefFundRptg

- 4. Student has either completed a 2019-20 or 2020-21 FAFSA or has the ability to complete a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Students without a FAFSA on file must provide proof of the following to the school in order to be eligible for HEERF Funds:
  - a. US Citizen or Eligible Non-Citizen
  - b. Registration with the Selective Service (if the student is male)
  - c. High School Diploma, GED, or completion of high school in an approved homeschool setting
  - d. Proof of past Pell Grant or Stafford Loans will suffice for evidence of having the ability to complete a FAFSA and will not require the other three items listed above.

Johnny Matthew's CARES ACT Funding and Disbursements:

Disbursement 1: Checks will be issued for \$1,000.00 to students who meet all of the qualifications as specified on the Johnny Matthew's Hairdressing Training School Student Eligibility Determination Form <u>and</u> currently have a FAFSA on file.

Disbursement 2: Checks will be issued for \$1,000.00 to students who meet all of the qualifications as specified on the Johnny Matthew's Hairdressing Training School Student Eligibility Determination Form and do not currently have a FAFSA on file, but have provided sufficient documentation to demonstrate they have the capability to submit a FAFSA.

Disbursement 3: The remaining portion of \$67,555.00 that was not distributed in the first two disbursements, will be equally distributed amongst the number of students who were awarded \$1,000.00 checks in Disbursements 1 and 2.

## Helpful Information and FAQ Links for Students

The CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-IHE/Student Aid provides funding to institutions to provide emergency financial aid grants to students whose lives have been disrupted, many of whom are facing financial challenges and struggling to make ends meet.

(https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/caresact.html)

Institutions have the responsibility of determining how grants will be distributed to students, how the amount of each student grant is calculated, and the development of any instructions or directions that are provided to students about the grant.

(https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/caresact.html)

The CARES Act, which establishes and funds the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF), directs institutions of higher education ("institutions") to use no less than 50 percent of funds received under Sections 18004(a)(1) and 18004(c) of the CARES Act to provide emergency financial aid grants to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus. (https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/heerfstudentfaqs.pdf)

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.

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Institutions may provide emergency financial aid grants to students using checks, electronic transfer payments, debit cards, and payment apps that adhere to the Department's requirements for paying credit balances to students. The disbursement of the emergency financial aid grant to the student must remain unencumbered by the institution; debts, charges, fees, or other amounts owed to the institution may not be deducted from the emergency financial aid

grant. The emergency financial aid grant may not be made to students through the use of a credit card that can be used only on campus or in a retail outlet affiliated with the institution. (https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/heerfstudentfaqs.pdf)

CARES Act grant resources and guidance are located on the Office of Postsecondary Education's webpage: <a href="https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/caresact.html">https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/caresact.html</a>. (https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/heerfstudentfaqs.pdf)

IRS Frequently Asked Questions

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/faqs-higher-education-emergency-relief-fund-and-emergency-financial-aid-grants-under-the-cares-act

Department of Education Frequently Asked Questions

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