U.S. Department of Education
30-day Reporting Requirement
August 17, 2020

LSU signed the funding certification and agreement for the Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act on April 13, 2020 and plans to use the funds to provide the mandated amount of at least 50% of the emergency financial aid grants to students.

- LSU will receive $9,441,144 (50%) of the total Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) dollars allocated to the university for emergency student aid.
- As of August 17, 2020, $9,307,950 has been distributed to students.
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- All eligible students were awarded CARES Act funding. Award amounts ranged from $150 - $1,000 depending on enrollment status and financial need.

Eligible students are defined as:

- Enrolled in an eligible program at least half time
- A U.S. Citizen or eligible noncitizen
- With a Valid 2019-2020 FAFSA on file
- Maintaining satisfactory academic progress
- Not in default or owe an overpayment on a Title IV grant or loan
- Having documents on file verifying the student's identity, a statement of educational purpose, selective service registration, birth certificate and social security number

The language of the law specifically prohibits the following types of students from receiving the emergency grants:

- International and undocumented students
- Dual enrollment students
- Students enrolled through LSU Online

The following email was sent to student recipients once funding was awarded:

We understand this last semester has been challenging dealing with COVID-19 and the disruption to campus. You have been awarded LSU CARES Act funding based on your demonstrated financial need. Funding will either be direct deposited into your bank account on file with the Bursar's Office, or you will receive a check mailed to your local mailing address if you do not have a bank account on file. Please allow 5-7 business days for funding. For questions regarding your direct deposit or check, please contact the Bursar's Office at bursar@lsu.edu. For additional questions or more information, please contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships at financialaid@lsu.edu.