



**LATC Students,**

**November 4, 2020**

The past seven months have been an interesting rollercoaster ride to say the least. I couldn't be prouder of how all of you handled going on-line to finish the spring 2020 semester, and how you've handled the modified environment during this fall semester. You're all doing your part to safeguard our at-risk population and containing any virus spread within our college. Some of you have had to do class work from home while you were quarantined. We realize it isn't easy and you'd rather be on campus but thank you for doing your part in protecting others.

Late last spring we notified students of the funding we received through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. At least half of our allocation must be used to provide emergency student grants to students who have experienced additional expenses related to the COVID-19 campus disruption. We issued checks in the spring and summer semesters and we are now issuing checks to spend down the remainder of our allocation.

For the remaining funds, we identified all students who were enrolled in Spring 2020 and had to move to an on-line environment to finish the semester, are enrolled at least half-time for the fall 2020 semester, have either a 2019-2020 FAFSA or 2020-2021 FAFSA on file, are maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP), and met the basic eligibility requirements. We then divided the remaining funds by the number of eligible students.

This is a grant and does not have to be repaid. It does not count as part of your financial aid package.

If you have specific questions about the CARES Act Emergency Grant, please do not hesitate to contact one of the following Financial Aid Office staff: Carrie Jordanger (Ext. 254) or Marlene Seeklander (Ext. 255).

We hope you are doing well and staying safe and healthy! We care about our students and want to make sure you are doing well during this time. Please do not hesitate to reach out to any of the staff or faculty if you need anything.

Sincerely,

*Mike Cartney*

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President