Navarro College CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-IHE/Student Aid

Many students are experiencing unexpected expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-IHE/Student Aid provides funding to institutions to distribute emergency financial aid grants to students whose lives have been disrupted by COVID-19, many of whom are facing financial challenges and struggling to make ends meet. As stated in the Certification and Agreement of the CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-IHE/Student Aid, the following information must appear to the public 30 days after April 22, 2020, when Navarro College received its allocation under 18004(a)(1), and update this information 45 days after that:

- On April 14, 2020, Navarro College signed and returned to the Department of Education the Certification and Agreement that the institution 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.

- Navarro College received $2,050,823 from the Department of Education under the institution’s Certificate and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

- As of September 30, 2020, Navarro College distributed $930,132 in Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a) of the CARES Act.

- A total of 1,014 students at Navarro College are eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. This is the number of students whom the institution has received an Institutional Student Information Record (ISIR), plus the number of students who completed a Navarro College CARES Act Emergency Aid online application.

- 824 students received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

- To determine which students received Emergency Financial Aid Grants, Navarro College established the following criteria:
  - Navarro College students who attended a face-to-face class as of March 6, 2020,
    - Students who attended exclusively online as of March 6, 2020 are not eligible.
  - U.S. citizen or national, a permanent resident, or an eligible noncitizen, and have a social security number,
  - Registered for the selective service (if male),
• Earned a high school diploma, GED, or completion of high school in approved homeschool setting,

• Not owe any financial aid or have defaulted on any financial aid loan, or not have been involved in any fraudulent receipt, distribution, or overpayment of financial aid funds,

• Not have a federal or state conviction for drug possession or sale, with certain time limitations,

• Be in good Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standing,

• Financial Need based on expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus (including eligible expenses under a student’s cost of attendance such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care)

• Submit a free application for Financial Student Aid.

• Complete the Navarro College Emergency Aid Grant online application.

• Awards are based on the number of applications, total amounts requested, emergency aid available for each round, and priority of funds are given to students currently enrolled and/or the degree to completion.

• Students eligible for Emergency Financial Aid Grants received an e-mail on May 4, 2020 and on July 10, 2020, with information posted on http://info.navarrocollege.edu/caresact.