CARES ACT HIGHER EDUCATION EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

April 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021

The US Government, in response to the global COVID-19 Pandemic, has provided HEERF III grants to be used for student expenses including cost of attendance and/or emergency costs that arise due to the coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or childcare incurred.  The total amount of funds that the institution has received from the Department pursuant to the institution’s Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants is $5,527,023. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants that Lackawanna College distributed to students under the CARES Act from April 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 is $1,068,164.58

To receive a CARES Act Emergency Relief Grant students must be working towards a degree or certificate at Lackawanna College, eligible for Title IV funding and must have had a valid FAFSA on file with Lackawanna College Financial Aid Office. Because the amount of the CARES Act funding is limited, the College does not guarantee additional funding to any student, but each application received will be considered until the funds are exhausted or the application closes. The College reserves the right to use its discretion in evaluating the applications and determining the amount of each award which may include establishing a maximum amount.

For this round of CARES Act Emergency Grants, Lackawanna College determined that Pell-eligible students were allowed to apply first. There were 3,391 eligible students and 160 students applied. These 160 students received grants ranging from $75 to $12,597 for a total of $343,427.08 and this funding was applied directly to the student balance or disbursed via a check on June 30, 2021.

The remaining $724,737.50 was distributed to all 1,567 undergraduate students who were registered at Lackawanna College in the spring semester of 2021. Each of the 1,567 students received a check for $462.50, which was disbursed on June 30, 2021.