John Wood Community College

This check is being sent due to the passing of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 on March 11, 2021.

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U.S. Department of the Treasury COVID Relief Appropriations – Student Portion

On March 13, 2020, the United States declared a nationwide emergency concerning COVID-19. Since that date, there have been legislative bills passed to provide relief.

Educational resources provided for direct student assistance in multiple bills. JWCC received the following:

Fund Source	Awarded	Disbursed	Remaining	# of Students
CARES *	\$ 622,896	\$ 622,896	0	1542
CRRSAA **	\$ 622,896	\$ 620,013	\$ 2,883	1696
ARPA ***	\$ 2,476,850	\$ 338,500	\$2,138,350	677
Total	\$ 3,722,642	\$ 1,584,292	\$2,141,233	

The awarding criteria for each funding source has slightly changed for each grouping. The most recent award group for ARPA has been available to all students including credit, non-credit, and community education with awarding needing to consider need first.

JWCC disbursements considers a student's need and enrollment status. Student need is determined through FAFSA information. Amounts of disbursement are determined on need, enrollment status of the student at time of awarding, as well as the amount of funds available. If you have withdrawn from classes you are not eligible for a check.

The college plans to do a fall 2021 disbursement (first week in December 2021) and a spring 2022 disbursement (last week in April 2022). Students taking a winter session course only will receive a disbursement in January 2022. Award amounts will vary based on remaining funds at that time of disbursement. A student's 2021-2022 FAFSA application results will be considered when determining need. A student may still receive a disbursement even without a FAFSA on file. For non-credit courses where a third-party has made payment of tuition amounts students will not receive a disbursement.

Please see second page for Q & A.

^{*}Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (2020)

^{**}Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) (2021) (HEERF II)

^{***}American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Act (2021)

Please keep in mind if you have filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the 2021-2022 academic year and your income has changed since filing with 2019 tax information you may request a review of special circumstance. Please contact the Financial Aid Office to discuss options at financialaid@jwcc.edu.

Q & A Section

Does the money need to be repaid?

No, the money received through ARP Grant fund does not need to be repaid. If you are not attending classes, you should return the check and notify the school you are no longer engaged in classes. Please see the Advising and Retention or Records and Registrar Offices. Please email questions to financialaid@jwcc.edu.

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Would this funding reduce my financial aid?

No, the ARP Grant funding does not impact your eligibility for other financial aid and it is a one-time grant for the semester.

What kinds of expenses are covered by this grant?

Funds from ARP grant may be used for expenses related to a student's cost of attendance or the emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or childcare.

If you have questions or concerns about the CRRSAA awards, please contact the email below. For additional information visit https://www.jwcc.edu/financial-aid/

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