

## Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II Disclosure

The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II provides funding to institutions to provide emergency financial aid grants to students whose lives have been disrupted, many of whom are facing financial challenges and struggling to make ends meet. Emergency financial aid grants under this funding are for unexpected expenses, unmet financial need, or expenses related to the disruption of campus operations on account of the COVID-19 pandemic, such as unexpected expenses for food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, or childcare.

Per the Department of Education's (ED) Interim Reporting Guidelines for Student Portion of the CARES Act Emergency Relief Fund published on May 6, 2020, Laguna College of Art + Design (LCAD) acknowledges that it has signed and returned the required certification and agreement form and that it has used Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II funds to provide the mandated amount of at least \$330,740 of the emergency financial aid grants to eligible LCAD students.

The college has identified that 642 LCAD students are eligible to participate in the programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and are therefore eligible to receive an emergency financial aid grant; the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II that we used the code CARES Act to track. Accordingly, the college has elected to immediately award each of the 642 eligible students a portion of the emergency financial aid grant.

Spring 2021 Pell grant recipients (214) were selected to receive an additional \$250 - \$500 above their baseline award.

Fulltime students enrolled in 12 units or more were selected to receive a full baseline award (\$687) and part-time students enrolled in 6-11 units were selected to receive approximately/at least half of the baseline award (\$340).

To determine baseline awards the college subtracted the \$96,500 set aside for Pell grant recipients from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II funds mandated amount of at least \$330,740. This left \$234,240 in baseline awards to be divided equally, to all 642 eligible students based on their fulltime or part-time enrollment status for the Spring 2021 semester.

To date \$496,912 of the college's required \$330,740 Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II funds have been disbursed to our students. Exceeding our minimum requirement by \$166,172.

LCAD has opted not to require a special application from its students to receive these funds. Therefore, no additional instructions, directions or guidance need be provided to our students concerning these emergency financial aid grants (Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II).

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