

CARES Act Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students Report

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This report provides details on the allocation Nebraska Wesleyan University received under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Act of 2020 (H.E.R.A.) on 4/24/2020. 1. Nebraska Wesleyan University signed the Certification on 4/15/2020. Pursuant to the H.E.R.A., Nebraska Wesleyan University used no less than 50 percent of the funds for expenses related to

under Section 18

3. As of 6/22/2020, Nebraska Wesleyan University has distributed \$691,376 in Emergency Grants to Students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
4. Nebraska Wesleyan University has an estimated total of 1,522 students eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Grants to Students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
5. As of 6/22/2020, Nebraska Wesleyan has distributed Emergency Financial Aid Grants to 926 eligible students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
6. NWU used a two-phased process to distribute funds. It was determined that the decision to close university housing effective March 29 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic led to apply for emergency relief due to COVID-19. Applications were communicated to students.

Email sent to students who did not have a FAFSA on file with instructions for submitting the FAFSA to determine eligibility for an emergency grant (4/28/2020)

Email sent to all students announcing the emergency grant process (4/29/2020)

Instructions posted to the NWU COVID-19 Updates webpage, including frequently asked questions and a link to the Phase Two application (4/29/2020)

Email sent to students receiving Phase One grants including the amount and disbursement method (4/30/2020)

Email sent to students receiving Phase One grants with instructions for setting up direct deposit (5/3/2020)

Email sent to all students with a reminder to apply for Phase Two grants (5/6/2020)

Email sent to students receiving Phase Two grants including the amount and disbursement method (5/15/2020)

Email sent to students to communicate updated taxability guidance from the IRS (6/8/2020)