

## PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM

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Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Reporting- Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

Section 18004(e) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act" or the "Act")), Pub. L. No. 116-136, 134 Stat. 281 (March 27, 2020), directs institutions receiving funds under Section 18004 of the Act to submit (in a time and manner required by the Secretary) a report to the Secretary describing the use of funds distributed from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund ("HEERF")

Jeff Tech has signed and returned the Department Certification and Agreement and the school has used 50% of the total allocation received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. On April 28, 2020, Jeff Tech distributed \$24,870 in equal amounts to 14 (fourteen) Practical Nursing students who were eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. The method of determining eligibility for students to allocate an equal amount of the grant to each of the students actively enrolled in the program. The instructions to each of the 14 students eligible were as follows:

April 28, 2020 Year Class 66 Jeff Tech Practical Nursing Student,

The federal government has put in place programs to assist our country in response to Covid-19, including educational assistance through a new law, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, also known as the Cares Act. Grants are available to selected educational programs, for which the Jeff Tech Practical Nursing Program is eligible. Some grant monies assist programs with unexpected expenses while remaining monies are for students facing financial hardships with expenses related to campus disruptions. I am happy to inform you our grant application was accepted and the student award component is available for direct disbursement to students. Following grant guidelines, programs were to review student need and determine how to divide the funds. After careful deliberation, we have decided to share the student portion among all current students, as all are affected.

The Students completed a one page CARES Act Grant Application form to document how the Covid-19 situation has affected the and described additional costs incurred during the Covid-19 period. They were instructed that the grant monies could be used at their discretion to pay for increased costs or the decreased ability to pay for food, housing, course materials, technologies, health care, childcare or tuition in the program. The school has received an additional \$24,869 pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement for costs associated with significant changes to the delivery of instruction due to the coronavirus and providing additional emergency financial aid grants to students. To date, these funds have been allocated in the following manner:

\$3,789 - Tuition reduction for a student with identified needs

\$1,893.88- Supplies and PPE

\$12,695.52- Additional wages incurred by staff to prepare for and provide distance learning

\$65 – Test Proctoring software.

The remaining portion will be used on equipment to help simulate a clinical experience at the school when actual clinical time is limited, health assessments and skills software modules, wages incurred by staff to prepare and provide for distance learning.