The Department would like to receive the most current information from the date when the institution received its allocation for emergency financial aid grants to students, and the institution should have received its allocation within a few days after submitting the Certification and Agreement. Accordingly, the following information must appear in a format and location that is easily accessible to the public 30 days after the date when the institution received its allocation under 18004(a)(1) and updated every 45 days thereafter:

1. An acknowledgement that the institution signed and returned to the Department the Certification and Agreement and the assurance that the institution has used, or intends to use, no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
   - Colorado Northwestern Community College signed the assurance on April 20, 2020, submitted on April 22, 2020, and received the funds on April 29, 2020.

2. The total amount of funds that the institution will receive or has received from the Department pursuant to the institution’s Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
   - $198,999 minimum will be used for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

3. The total amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants distributed to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of the date of submission (i.e., as of the 30-day Report and every 45 days thereafter).
   - As of May 19, 2020, Colorado Northwestern Community College has allocated $157,000 to students.

4. The estimated total number of students at the institution 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.
   - 425 students are estimated to be eligible under Section 484 in Title IV.

5. The total number of students who have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
• As of May 19, 2020 111 students have applied and 96 students have been allocated a grant.

6. The method(s) used by the institution to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

• All students enrolled in Spring 2020 courses that were not solely online were invited to apply. Students who applied were reviewed to determine if they met initial eligibility as designated by the Department of Education – specifically enrolled in Title IV eligible programs on campus (not online) as of March 13, 2020 and the nature of the impact (housing, technology, childcare, food, instructional materials, other). Applications are reviewed by Financial Aid professional staff to determine if the student is Title IV eligible or if additional information was needed to assess and affirm Title IV eligibility.

7. Any instructions, directions, or guidance provided by the institution to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.

• An email was sent to the students’ school email account informing them of the grant and how to apply.

COVID-19 Emergency Fund for Students

Colorado Northwestern Community College’s COVID-19 Emergency Fund provides assistance to students at risk of dropping out of college due to unexpected financial emergencies related to the COVID-19 pandemic. This assistance was created to help students stay in college and meet their educational goals, ultimately, securing a better financial future.

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES MAY INCLUDE: Food, Housing, Childcare, Health Care, Course Materials, Technology, Tuition Assistance, and Other Critical Needs.

Eligibility requirements include, but are not limited to, the following:

• Were enrolled at CNCC on or before March 13, 2020
• Enrolled in at least one on-campus class (not all online classes) as of March 13, 2020
• Have been financially impacted by the disruption to campus operations due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
• Eligibility to apply for financial aid:
  o Citizen or eligible non-citizen status
  o Registered for Selective Service (students who were assigned male at birth)
  o Making satisfactory academic progress
  o In good standing with regard to previous federal aid received
In a financial aid eligible program

Students will receive an email with the decision on their application.

APPLICATION PROCESS
Complete and submit the online application below. Your application will typically be reviewed within 2-3 business days and you will be notified through your student portal.

APPLY HERE:
https://cncc.formstack.com/forms/request_for_emergency_funds_through_the_cares_act

PAYMENTS
If you are approved for funding, funds will be distributed through the regular CNCC refund process. You should receive your funds within 7-14 days based on the refund preference you have selected through BankMobile. If you have not selected a preference, then BankMobile will mail a paper check to the address on file with BankMobile. Please make sure your address is correct.

To setup a refund preference:

- Please visit this link
- Enter your Personal Code or choose to get an instant Personal Code
- Choose your preferred delivery (if you are having problems, please call the CNCC Cashier at 970-675-3278 during regular business hours).

QUESTIONS?
Please contact Merrie Byers at merrie.byers@cncc.edu

Award: Up to $1000.00 per semester

Assistance is granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, age, gender, disability or national origin.