



First Quarter 2022 Report for ARP

Gadsden State Community College has released its first quarter report for 2022 regarding the American Rescue Act (ARP) or HEERF III – Student Financial Aid Grants. There were no expenditures in the first or second quarter of 2021.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Gadsden State Community College received funds from American Rescue for student aid.

Students receiving checks must be “eligible” as defined by DOE guidelines and may use the funds “for expenses under a student’s cost of attendance, such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care and childcare.” The award letter for the grant funds was received on May 11, 2021.

Total Amount of ARP Act funds received by Gadsden State for Student Financial Aid Grants to students:
\$6,796,984

Total Amount of Aid distributed as of March 30, 2022 (fourth quarter): \$6,797,925

Number of Gadsden State students deemed eligible to receive ARP funds: 3,009 *** students in the spring (80.2% of students enrolled in Spring Semester)

Number of students who have received an ARP Student Financial Aid Grant: 3,009*** in the spring, 3,418** in the fall and 2,049* students in the summer

METHOD OF DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FROM THE ARP FUNDS

Students who met all of the following criteria received funds:

- Students working towards a degree or certificate at Gadsden State.
- Students who were online, onsite, DACA, and international were eligible.
- Students enrolled at Gadsden State during the Spring Semester 2022 taking at least one credit course.
- Students who withdrew prior to close of business on February 10, 2022, dual enrollment (ACE Institute) students, incarcerated students and transient students were not eligible.

AMOUNT OF FUNDS DISBURSED FROM ARP FUNDS

- Summer Student Aid – A total of 2,049* students were deemed eligible to receive student financial assistance in the amount of \$500 per student for a total of \$1,024,500. Pell grant students (1204 of the students) were awarded an additional \$396 per student, bringing the total to \$1,359,516 in August 2021.
- Fall Student Aid – A total of 3,418** students were deemed eligible to receive student financial assistance in the amount of \$500 per student for a total of \$1,709,000. Pell grant students (1887** of the students) were awarded an additional \$535 per student, bringing the fall total to \$2,718,545 in November 2021.
- Spring Student Aid – A total of 3,009 students were deemed eligible to receive student financial assistance in the amount of \$600 per student for a total of \$1,805,400. Pell grant students (1681 of the students) were awarded an additional \$544 per student, bringing the fall total to \$2,719,864 in March 2022.

*One check from the summer 2021 disbursement for a non-Pell student was returned by the family as the student was deceased. The student count and amount were both adjusted down to match the corrected totals. The check was voided and the funds were distributed in the future rounds.

**One check from the fall 2021 disbursement for a Pell student was voided after it was determined the student had never attended classes and should have been dropped. The check was voided and the funds were distributed in the next round.

***One check was issued in the Spring 2022 distribution and the check was later voided after it was determined that the student withdrew 1/18/2022.

ADDITIONAL DIRECTIONS TO STUDENTS

- A fall student aid check was mailed to the student to the address on record on November 12, 2021.
- If eligible students have not received their checks, they should log into myGadsdenState and verify their home address where the check was mailed.
- Students need to cash their checks within 60 days.

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