

**EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND REPORTING- GRANTS TO STUDENTS
FROM LAWSON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
May 31, 2020**

Lawson State Community College (LSCC) acknowledges that the institution signed and returned to the Department of Education, the Certification and Agreement to receive \$1,761,011.00 under Section 18004(a) (1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

Lawson State was certified to receive funds and authorized to distribute those funds to our students to provide a refund of room and board fees paid and to Title IV students that meet eligibility requirements of the Higher Education Act (HEA) and was registered at Lawson State for the Spring Semester.

Lawson State has disbursed \$1,774,597.00 to eligible students as a refund of the room and board fees paid on a prorated basis and for education and technology expenses to defray the cost of transitioning from campus based instruction to online instruction.

The college identified 1,795 students eligible to participate in the programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

Lawson State had 2272 students who had applied and submitted a Free Financial Aid Application for the 2019-2020 academic year. Of the students submitting applications to Lawson State, the Office of Student Financial Services (OSFS) reviewed students during its normal awarding process, in addition, students that were not awarded Title IV funds during the academic year were reviewed to determine eligibility for CARES funds under Section 484. The College included all students registered and matriculating in Spring Term Courses as of March 16, 2020 including students in online classes that were not part of an Online Program.

Each student awarded received an award notification explaining the total amount of the disbursement that was direct deposited into their bank accounts or mailed by check. All students with an outstanding balance were provided a statement of account explaining the balance owed the college.

Lawson State certifies that at least 50% of the funds granted under Section 18004(a) (1) of the CARES Act provided Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.