

## **Student Financial Services**

## September 5th, 2020

In compliance with the 30-day and subsequent 45-day Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Reporting— Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students as relates to Section 18004(e) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act" or the "Act")), Plymouth State University releases the following:

- 1. Plymouth State University acknowledges the institution has 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.
- 2. Plymouth State University will receive up to \$1,975,461 from the Department pursuant to the institution's Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
- 3. Plymouth State University distributed \$1,201,350 of Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act as of September 5<sup>th</sup>,2020.
- 4. Plymouth State University determined that 3,210 students at the institution are 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.
- 5. 1,841 Plymouth State University students have received an Emergency Financial Aid Grant to students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.
- 6. The methods used by Plymouth State University to determine which students receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act was based on demonstrated need that was disclosed on the students' FAFSA. A survey was sent to each qualifying student to determine if they were affected by the COVID-19 outbreak.
- 7. Plymouth State University sent survey instructions, directions, and e-mail communications to students concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.