

Dear Students,

Seminole State College has funds from the HEERF III (ARP) fund to distribute this Fall 2021. Please read below for what steps to take next...

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Any student who is actively enrolled in any class during the Fall 2021 semester. Federal regulations also require the following criteria to be met to be eligible to receive HEERF III funds:

- SSC must document that the student has had increased expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- SSC must document that students understand the funds have to be used for expenses in one of five categories: tuition, food, housing, health care and/or childcare.
- Priority will be given to students who have exceptional financial need (which will be defined as students who have received Pell grant funds).

WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO TO RECEIVE FUNDS?

You must complete an easy, two question HEERF III Application online. To do so...

- 1) Click on this [link to go to Brightspace](#)
- 2) Look for the HEERF III Application link in Announcements on the home page
- 3) Answer the questions and click submit

WHEN DO I SUBMIT THE APPLICATION?

NOW! The applications are available now and the sooner you get your application submitted, the sooner we can work on getting your funds to you. **We will be taking Fall 2021 applications until 5pm CST, Monday, December 6th, 2021.**

HOW MUCH WILL I RECEIVE?

The amount that students will be paid is based on if you have received a Pell grant and the number of credit hours you are enrolled in for Fall 2021:

- If you receive Pell grant funds, you will receive **\$100 per credit hour** for all Fall 2021 hours that you were enrolled in on the deadline date of your disbursement.
- If you are not a Pell grant recipient, you will receive **\$75 per credit hour** for all Fall 2021 hours that you were enrolled in on the deadline date for your disbursement.

For example, if you receive Pell and were enrolled in 15 credit hours as of the deadline date for disbursement #1, **you will receive \$1,500.** Any changes (adding or dropping) to your enrolled hours after the deadline date of disbursement #1 will not be included in your award calculation.

HOW LONG CAN I RECEIVE FUNDS?

ALL funds are on a first come, first serve basis and will be paid as long as funds are available.

WILL I GET MORE FUNDS IN SPRING 2022?

If you complete the 21-22 HEERF III application, if you are enrolled in courses in the Spring 2022 semester and we still have funds remaining, YES! You will automatically be awarded the per credit hour amount based on the credit hours you are enrolled in on February 4, 2022.

WHEN WILL I RECEIVE THESE FUNDS?

As soon as your application is complete, you will receive your full disbursement at the next scheduled HEERF III Fall disbursement date. You can only receive a disbursement one time in the semester. Scheduled disbursement dates are:

- Disbursement #1 – October 13th
- Disbursement #2 – November 15th
- Disbursement #3 – December 13th

HOW WILL I RECEIVE MY FUNDS?

If you want your HEERF III funds to pay the balance you owe on your SSC Student Account, you MUST select "Yes" for the question "Do you want your HEERF III funds applied to your SSC student account balance?" on your application. This will make sure the funds take care of any balance on your SSC account and then if any funds are leftover, they will be refunded to you via your selected direct deposit designation (your student ID/Herring bank debit card or direct deposit into your personal account). **Remember, you cannot enroll or get a transcript if you have a balance on your SSC account.**

If you answer no, then your funds will be issued directly to you via your selected direct deposit designation (your student ID/Herring bank debit card or direct deposit into your personal account).

HOW DO I SET-UP OR CHANGE MY DIRECT DEPOSIT DESIGNATION?

To set up, review or change your direct deposit designation, you can do so on MYSSCOK. Please log onto MYSSCOK, go to "Direct Deposit Designation" and click on "Click to submit Direct Deposit Designation." If you cannot set up either of these methods, please contact the SSC Business Office at 405-382-9238 for more information. If you already have set up your designation, you do not need to do anything further.

HOW WILL I KNOW WHEN MY FUNDS DISBURSE?

You will receive an email to your SSC student email from Premier Pay notifying that your funds have disbursed. Please note if you set up your direct deposit to your personal bank account, there might be a short delay in you receiving funds due to your *personal bank* not immediately releasing your funds.

WHO CAN HELP ME?

If you need help setting up your direct deposit designation or locating your refund, you can contact the business office at businessoffice@sscok.edu or 450-382-9238.

If you have any HEERF III questions or need one-on-one help submitting your application, you can contact financial aid at finaid@sscok.edu or 405-382-9247.

All of us at SSC are committed to getting these funds to our students as quickly and efficiently as possible. We sincerely appreciate your patience and understanding!

HOW DO I ENROLL FOR NEXT SEMESTER?

The Spring 2022 schedule is scheduled to release in mid-November. However, you can plan for the semester. Be sure your balance is paid and then do one of the following:

- 1) Email or call your returning student advisor
- 2) Contact your Enrollment group
 - a. For traditional programs, email advising@sscok.edu or call 405-382-9797
 - b. For online degree programs, email online@sscok.edu or call 405-382-9577