

## CARES Act Emergency Grant



Orange-Ulster BOCES has received \$48,679 from the Department of Education pursuant to the Certification and Agreement [for] Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students. All of these funds will be used for eligible students that have been impacted by the disruption of campus operations due to the coronavirus.



## **☑** ELIGIBILITY

Students who have a completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on file for 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 and have met all eligibility requirements for federal (Title IV) financial aid may be eligible if they have incurred allowable expenses. Allowable expenses are defined as additional costs incurred for items such as food, course materials, technology, health care and child care.

Orange-Ulster BOCES will be offering a \$772 base grant to students that qualify. Students who had expenses that exceeded their base grant may be considered for additional funding. Requests will be prioritized based on financial need and available funding. If the additional amount is approved, funds will be disbursed.

Students will be required to submit a CARES Act Financial Aid Grant form in order to be considered for the grant.

## ✓ Acknowledgement of CARES Act

Orange-Ulster BOCES acknowledges an authorized representative of the institution has signed and returned to the US Department of Education the Certification and Agreement and 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 (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Securities) Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.

Orange-Ulster BOCES has determined that 63 students (2019-2020) and 21 students (2020-2021), at the institution are eligible to participate in Federal student financial aid 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.

As of September 30, 2021, Orange-Ulster BOCES has disbursed \$58,607.82 to 71 students under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.