# College of Menominee Nation

## American Rescue Plan (ARP)

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) was signed into law on March 11, 2021. The ARP established additional funding through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III) to address needs directly related to the coronavirus.

The College of Menominee Nation received the following supplemental grants from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III):

Student portion - \$404,191 which is designated to provide financial aid grants to students

### ARP – HEERF III Student Grant Information

## Summer 2022 Semester

Similar to the HEERF I and HEERF II funds, the ARP - HEERF III funds are distributed as grants with appropriate use stipulations. The student grants must be used to cover expenses related to the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to the coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, transportation, health care (including mental health care), or childcare.

# Student Eligibility

It is the goal of CMN to distribute the HEERF III student grants in an equitable manner, while prioritizing students with the greatest need. The College recognizes our students have been impacted by the coronavirus pandemic and also faced financial challenges.

To be eligible, students must meet the following criteria:

- Be a U.S. citizen or national, permanent resident, or another eligible noncitizen.
- Must use the HEERF III student grant to cover expenses from any component of the student's cost of attendance and/or emergency costs that arise due to the coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), or childcare incurred after December 27, 2020.
- Be enrolled in at least one credit hour for Summer Semester. Students who have completely withdrawn or stopped attending all of their classes before June 24, 2022 are not eligible for a HEERF III student grant.

# **Student Award Amounts**

CMN will calculate the award for summer, 2022 semester based on the student enrollment status as of June 24, 2022.

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II			
EFC Type	0-3000EFC	3001-5700 EFC	Not Pell eligible
Student Status	Amount per	Amount per	Amount per
Full-Time	850	800	750
3/4 Time	750	700	650
Half-Time	650	600	550
Less than half time	550	500	450

### **Application Process**

To expedite the distribution of funds, the College <u>eliminated</u> the application process. CMN has already identified students who meet the eligibility requirements and the Financial Aid Office will notify students by email.

<u>Note:</u> All grants will be direct deposited or mailed to the students address on file. By accepting the payment, students are certifying that they will use the ARP (HEERF III) student grant to cover expenses from any component of their cost of attendance and/or emergency costs that arise due to the coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, transportation, health care (including mental health care), or childcare incurred after December 27, 2020.

Students will receive this funding directly, unless the student has given written, affirmative consent to apply the grant toward the student's account balance.

# <u>Check or Direct Deposit Distribution dates</u>

CMN will mail or deposit money to students July 1, 2022

# **Summer 2022 Attendance Incentive for Students**

**Description:** Students can be eligible for up to \$250 more dollars in Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF III) for Summer 22 semester. There will be one check of \$250 going out to students at the end of the semester.

### How do I qualify for the extra grant Money?

- -Need to be a Registered Summer 2022 degree seeking student
- -Marked Present in class for at least 62.5% of the time.

#### How do I meet the 62.5% marked present incentive?

- -Use the following Scenario,
  - You are registered for 3 credits which is two classes that meet each week
  - For the 8 weeks ending Friday, July 29, 2022 you can be marked present for a total of 16 class periods.
    - To meet the 62.5%, you need to be present in those classes at least 10 times

### Do I need to apply for this incentive?

-No, please refer to the **Application Process** stated earlier on this sheet

Attendance Check Date: July 29, 2022 Check Disbursement: August 5, 2022

**Check Amount: \$250** 

## Frequently Asked Questions

- Will I have to repay the APR student grant I receive?
  - No. These are grants and do not have to be paid back.
- Will this funding affect my financial aid in the future?
  - o No. This grant will not be used in calculating your current or future financial aid awards.
- What if I owe CMN for tuition and/or other fees?
  - Students may complete a Consent Form to have the funds applied toward their student account balance or they may receive the full amount of the grant directly by check or direct deposit. Any outstanding balance owed to CMN will remain the responsibility of the student.
- I think I am eligible but did not receive an APR student grant. Who should I contact?
  - o Please contact the Financial Aid Staff at financialaid@menominee.edu.
- Do I need to keep receipts of how these funds were spent?
  - No. CMN will not require receipts or other documentation of how you spent the funds, but you are required to use the CRRSAA student grant to cover expenses from any component of your cost of attendance and/or emergency costs that arise due to the coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, transportation, health care (including mental health care), or childcare incurred after December 27, 2020.
- Is this funding taxable?
  - No, the ARP student grant is not taxable income.
- Will these funds be reported on the 1098-T?
  - Yes. At this time, the IRS is requiring that ARP student grants be reported on the 1098-T.

### Other Resources

- Department of Education: https://oese.ed.gov/offices/american-rescue-plan/american-rescue-plan-elementary-and-secondary-school-emergency-relief/
- Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III FAQS: https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/arpfaq.pdf
- National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA) Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Iii (HEERF III): https://www.nasfaa.org/heerf\_iii