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Good morning,

We recognize that many Coastal Pines Technical College students have experienced financial difficulties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. A provision of the CARES Act, the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) specifically provides funds to colleges to assist with COVID-19-related expense and give direct aid to students in need to cover eligible expenses. Examples of eligible expenses include food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, child care, etc.

In order to be eligible for a full CARES Act/HEERF Scholarship for spring semester 2022, a student must meet the eligibility requirements including but not limited to:

- be registered for credit classes as a regular (not dual enrollment) student at the time of funds distribution
- have completed their 2021-2022 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and have a calculated EFC (Expected Family Contribution)
- have completed all financial aid verification items (if required).

Students who have a Pell-eligible EFC (0 – 5846) will receive a higher award than those with an EFC greater than 5846. Students who are attending full-time carrying 12 or more credit hours will be awarded more than those who are attending less than full-time. The amounts to be awarded have not been determined. It will vary depending on the number of eligible students.

If you wish to be considered for an award for spring semester 2021, be sure to have your FAFSA and financial aid file for the 2021-2022 year completed by **March 16.** If your financial aid file with FAFSA is complete, you do not need to do anything more to be considered for an award.

If you have questions regarding your Financial Aid file status or are unable to complete the 2021-2022 FAFSA, please contact a Financial Aid Office for alternative options:

- Baxley – Linda Jones, ljones@coastalpines.edu, phone 912-367-1716
- Camden – Patricia Randazzo, prandazzo@coastalpines.edu, phone 912-522-4511
- Golden Isles -- Gloria Davis, gdavis@coastalpines.edu, phone 912-262-9920
- Jesup – Allison Kicklighter, akicklighter@coastalpines.edu, phone 912-427-1959
- Waycross – Laura Walker, lwalker@coastalpines.edu, phone 912-338-5252
- Waycross – Taylor Hodges, thodges@coastalpines.edu, phone 912-338-5961

While your financial aid file is being used in the calculation of eligibility for CARES/HEERF funds, it is not considered a financial aid award.

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