STATEMENT REQUIRED BY CARES ACT CERTIFICATION AND AGREEMENT FOR EMERGENCY FINANCIAL GRANTS TO STUDENTS

Eastern Illinois University (EIU) has signed and returned the Certification for the CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund. EIU will use at least 50% of the CARES Act money to fund student grants.

EIU anticipates receiving \$4,506,779 of CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief funding. \$2,253,390 will be used for grants to students.

We have distributed grants totaling \$1,729,615.00 to the students as of October 10, 2020 under 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

We estimate that approximately 3655 students are eligible to receive a CARES Act grant under Section 484 of Title IV.

3655 students have received grants under 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act.

Students that are eligible for the grants are those that are degree seeking, eligible under Title IV as determined by the filing and acceptance of a 19/20 FAFSA and not enrolled in an online program for Spring, 2020. In Phase 1, each eligible student received \$30.00 per enrolled Spring semester credit hour as of May 12, 2020. In Phase 2, students that meet the same eligibility requirements, were permitted to apply for another grant.