

Dear Penn Highlands Student,

Pennsylvania Highlands Community College is sympathetic and understanding to the disruptive environment the coronavirus pandemic has caused for you. While many of our classes continue to be held in a remote fashion, we are hopeful that we will see many of you back on campus this spring semester if the current situation significantly improves. As always, your health and safety are most important to us, which guides our decision making.

A second round of stimulus funding, Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) was recently signed into law. As part of this additional stimulus funding, the College has received a student aid grant that we are to distribute to our students. CRRSAA funds were distributed with the following guidelines in mind:

- Students with exceptional financial need are prioritized; we reviewed all FAFSA applications & Pell Grant recipients to determine this qualification.
- Students who were enrolled in more classes at the College received additional funds.

We are currently distributing grant money to over 800 Penn Highlands students. It is our hope that this additional grant will help you with your current situation in some way. While we know that this will not solve all your financial troubles, it's our hope that you accept this grant knowing that we truly wish you the best during these difficult times.

While you may spend your grant award any way you please, we encourage you to consider spending the grant in the following ways:

- Paying off your remaining tuition balance at Penn Highlands (if any),
- Placing a payment towards your next semester classes at Penn Highlands,
- Purchase a laptop, printer or other electronic devices that may assist you in learning,
- Purchasing additional course materials and/or books for your classes,
- Securing food and/or childcare.

You may have already provided authorization to apply your CRRSAA grant aid to your outstanding balance at the College. If so, thank you. Visit our webpage www.pennhighlands.edu to read our Health and Safety Plan and about the course offerings and learning resources.

We wish you good health and please stay safe! **#blackbearproud #weareinthistogether**

Sincerely,



Dr. Steve Nunez, President