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The U.S. Department of Education (USDOE) released guidance related to HEERF emergency grant funding to higher education institutions. Our institution determined funds would be allocated to the largest number of students possible due to impacts of COVID- 19 related events. Pell eligible students received priority funding. However, based on our institution's determined criteria, certain non-Pell eligible students were also considered eligible for funding. Any disbursed emergency grant funds will be released to you by either refund check or direct deposit, depending on the method you have setup with the college. However, a student may have also authorized funds be applied to an eligible outstanding balance on a student account. A payment is not necessarily a reflection of your current student account balance, as these funds are disbursed directly to a student in the absence of an authorization or may not have been sufficient to cover a student's full outstanding balance. Although you are considered qualifying based on institutional criteria, USDOE regulations require funds be used to assist with any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), or child care. Therefore, any emergency grant funds disbursed to you must be used for such qualifying expenses. Your acceptance of the funding is considered confirmation you have a qualifying expense. If you wish to return the funds to the institution, you must contact caresact@NortheastState.edu. Our staff are available and willing to assist you with any additional questions you may have at this time. Please do not hesitate to reach out to them at: caresact@NortheastState.edu.

TEXT MESSAGE

This is the Business Office at Northeast State Community College. By now you have received or will possibly receive a check or direct deposit called HEERF Grant. This is money sent to the school by the federal government to distribute to eligible students. It is part of the COVID 19 stimulus package. You can find further details in your student email. Check your student account for amounts. If you have questions you can respond to this text or email caresact@NortheastState.edu