

# Office of Postsecondary Education

## Higher Education Programs

### Technical Assistance

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#### HIGHER EDUCATION EMERGENCY RELIEF FUNDING



# Welcome and Introduction of Speakers



Chris McCaghren, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Higher Education Programs

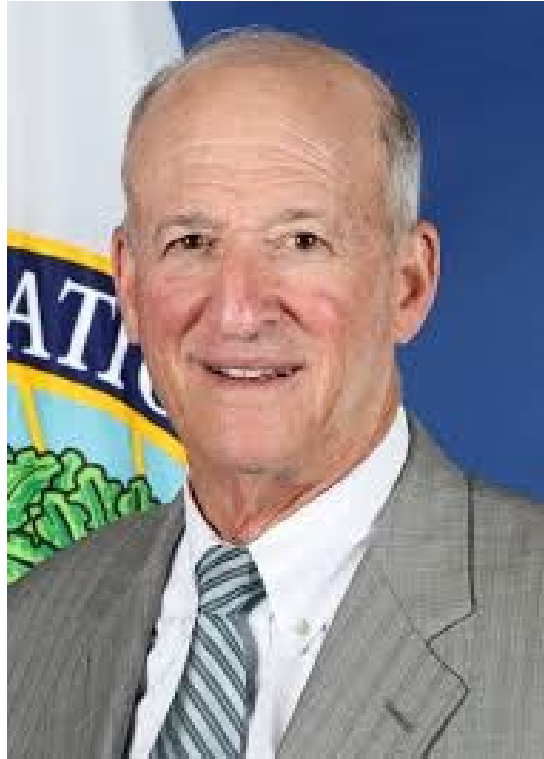
# Agenda

WELCOME

OVERVIEW OF CARES ACT FUNDING

RESOURCES

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS



Remarks.....

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# CARES Funding

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Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Student Aid (84.425E)

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-Institutional Portion- (84.425F)

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-Historically Black Colleges and Universities (84.425J)

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-Tribally Control Colleges and Universities (84.425K)

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-Minority Serving Institutions (84.425L)

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-Strengthening Institutions Program (84.425M)

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-FIPSE (84.425N)

<https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/caresact.html>

# Grantee Responsibilities.....

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- Maintain Accurate Records
- Reporting Responsibilities
- Communication with ED Contact
- Know the various Certification and Agreements

# Program Specialist Role

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Serves as the first line of communication

Provides information

Provides technical assistance

Approves and makes administrative changes

Updates the program file

Refers grantee question to Director, G5, HEERF helpdesk, as needed

https://www.ed.gov/coronavirus

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://www.ed.gov/coronavirus>. The browser's address bar and tabs are visible at the top. The website header features the U.S. Department of Education logo and a search bar. Below the header is a navigation menu with four items: Student Loans, Grants, Laws, and Data. The main content area is titled "COVID-19 ('Coronavirus') Information and Resources for Schools and School Personnel". It contains several paragraphs of text, a "Coronavirus Resources" sidebar with links to [Coronavirus.gov](https://www.coronavirus.gov), [Resources and Updates from CDC](#), and [Government Response to Coronavirus, COVID-19](#). Below this is a section for "Additional Resources for Elementary and Secondary Schools:" with a bulleted list of links. On the right side, there are two sections: "How Do I Find...?" with a bulleted list of topics like "Student loans, forgiveness" and "College accreditation", and "Information About..." with a bulleted list of topics like "Transforming Teaching" and "Family and Community Engagement". The Windows taskbar is visible at the bottom of the browser window, showing the time as 10:55 AM on 6/16/2020.

Resources.....



# Resources.....

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- Browser Tabs:** webTA Login, IPEDS Data Center, COVID-19 Title IV Frequentl..., Security Access Manager, Robert King - Google Search.
- Address Bar:** www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/covid19faq.html
- Navigation Bar:** Department of Education Links, EMC SourceOne Se..., Free Hotmail, Teacher and Princip..., The Center for Com..., The Mentoring Con..., Imported From IE, New Tab.
- OPE Logo:** Office of Postsecondary Education
- Navigation Menu:**
  - Home
  - Programs/Initiatives
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  - Reports & Resources
  - News
  - Education Planning
  - Student Resources
  - Policy Initiatives
  - Accreditation
  - OPE Topics A-Z
- Main Content:**

## COVID-19 Title IV Frequently Asked Questions

Timeframe for COVID-19 Relief | Campus-Based Programs | Study Abroad | Cost of Attendance and Need Analysis | Return of Title IV Funds (R2T4) | Academic Year and Schedule Changes | Distance Education | Student Eligibility | Recordkeeping and Data Security

Last Updated May 15, 2020

**Note:** Dates have been added to the end of answers to indicate when that particular answer was posted or updated. Some questions may have been moved in order to keep similar topics together.

### Timeframe for COVID-19 Relief

  1. The guidance in the Electronic Announcement published March 5, 2020 indicates that the guidance and relief do not apply for students who have not yet enrolled, or whose term has not yet begun, as of that date. We plan to switch from an on campus to an online format for a term that begins in May. Does this guidance apply to us?
- Right Sidebar:**

### Information About...

  - Student loans, forgiveness
  - College accreditation
  - Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
  - FERPA
  - FAFSA
  - 1098, tax forms

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  - Transforming Teaching
  - Family and Community Engagement
  - Early Learning
- Taskbar:** Robert King.jpg, Diane.jpg, Show all, X, Windows Start button, Search, Edge, Teams, File Explorer, Chrome, Word, PowerPoint, System tray (3:12 PM, 6/9/2020).

# Resources.....

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The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL [www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/caresact.html](http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/caresact.html). The page is for the Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE). A blue navigation menu is visible with the following items: Home, Programs/Initiatives, Office Contacts, Reports & Resources, News, Education Planning, Student Resources, Policy Initiatives, Accreditation, and OPE Topics A-Z. The main heading is "CARES Act: Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund". Below this, there are links for "New COVID-19 FAQ's for Title III, IV, V, and VII Grantees" and "COVID-19 FAQ for Grantees PDF (256K)". The main content area contains an "Updated statement 5/21/2020" regarding guidance documents. A right-hand sidebar titled "Information About..." lists topics such as Student loans, College accreditation, FERPA, and FAFSA. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the time as 3:14 PM on 6/9/2020.

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## CARES Act: Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund

New COVID-19 FAQ's for Title III, IV, V, and VII Grantees

**COVID-19 FAQ for Grantees PDF (256K)**

### CARES Act: Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund

Updated statement 5/21/2020: The Department has stated on its guidance portal that "guidance documents lack the force and effect of law." See U.S. Department of Education's Guidance Homepage, <https://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/types-of-guidance-documents.html> ("Guidance documents represent the ED's current thinking on a topic. They do not create or confer any rights for or on any person and do not impose any requirements beyond those required under applicable law and regulations. Guidance documents lack the force and effect of law."); compare, e.g., OPE Guidance Documents, <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/guidance.html> ("Guidance documents lack the force and effect of law."). On February 26, 2020, the Department published a Federal Register notice stating this principle along with an announcement of the existence and location of its guidance portal. Notice of Guidance Portal, 85

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FOR ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

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