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Good evening, colleagues!

We know the pandemic has resulted in unexpected financial burdens for many. We also know students may have questions about additional federal funding that can be used to help cover these expenses.

As a reminder, HACC received a grant through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) that was authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. This was signed into law March 27, 2020, and provided emergency financial aid grants to students. The College distributed all of those monies to students. Details about those distributions are available at [hacc.edu/CARESact](http://hacc.edu/CARESact).

Additionally, the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) was signed into law on Dec. 27, 2020. The act includes a portion of funding dedicated to students for emergency financial aid grants (similar to the 2020 CARES Act).

The U.S. Department of Education released guidance for CRRSAA on May 14, 2021. The College is committed to following the terms of the grant and the guidance provided by the U.S. Department of Education.

At this time, the College is still determining the following related to CRRSAA funds for eligible students:

- The methodology that will be used to allocate the funds
- The amount of emergency financial aid grants
- The method by which funds will be disbursed
- The timeframe for when funds will be disbursed

Additional updates will be communicated to students via email and posted on [hacc.edu/CARESact](http://hacc.edu/CARESact).

As you have come to expect, following are the commonly asked questions and our responses to them. Please note that some of these responses are tentative and subject to change.

If you have additional questions and you do not see the answers on the website, please submit the online form located on the website. Please see the webpage section called "[Information for Employees](#)." If you would like to see the information being communicated to students, please see the webpage called "[Information for Students](#)."

We will continue to update you regularly via email, the aforementioned website and Zoom sessions.

Thank you!

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**1. I heard that the positions of director and coordinator of high school partnerships are moving to the Office of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management. Could you please provide more information?**

Effective June 1, 2021, the positions of director and coordinator of high school partnerships transitioned from the Office of Academic Affairs to the Office of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management.

In support of the College's strategic plan and core values, the Office of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management continues to foster relationships with its current high school partners, while actively pursuing new partnerships. The director and coordinator of high school partnerships will address the needs of high school partners to enhance the student experience within the Office of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management. Thus, both positions are instrumental to the advancement of the College's Dual Enrollment and College in the High School programs in general and the Office of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management specifically. Please visit our organizational enhancements Google [site](#) for more information.

**2. When will information be shared about the One-College updates in Banner and other systems?**

Information for HACC employees pertaining to updates to Banner and other systems to reflect changes related to the One-College reorganization is available on a new project site: <https://sites.google.com/hacc.edu/banner-one-college-reorg/home>.

The site includes information about the project as a whole, how to access support and commonly asked questions.

These changes will go into effect with fiscal year 2021-22 as of July 1, 2021. Because of the updates, our current fiscal year-end activities are more complex. As a result, Banner will be unavailable to students and employees on June 30 and July 1. Details about this interruption of service and other aspects of the project will be communicated later this month and will include training targeted to specific audiences. The training sessions will be recorded and available on the project site.

**3. Our campus grounds are now open to the public. What does that mean?**

The general public may:

- Park on campus
- Walk the campus grounds

We will also allow outside events (but not inside events) to be held on our campuses. An example of this is the Dauphin County and UPMC COVID-19 vaccination clinic on HACC's Harrisburg Campus.

Additionally, tenants are authorized to come back on campus.

Please note that:

- Our **buildings** will **not** be accessible to the public.
- Employees who have been working remotely **must continue to do so** and may not come back onto campus this summer unless authorized by filling out the [Employee On-Campus Authorization form](#).
- This information is **tentative and subject to change**.

Although HACC is no longer providing wellness screening for you, it is important to continue self-screening each day and evaluate how you feel. If you are feeling any symptoms of COVID-19 or have had a fever over 100.4 degrees within 48 hours prior to coming to campus, please DO NOT come to campus. Please notify the College by emailing [corona@hacc.edu](mailto:corona@hacc.edu). Describe whether you tested positive, have symptoms or have been in contact with someone who has tested positive. Contact is defined as within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more.

Your safety will continue to be our top priority! Although we cannot control COVID-19 and how it spreads, we will continue to do our part to help maintain student, employee and building safety by following protocols, as per governor's orders and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations.

**4. Are there any current HACC Foundation fundraisers to which I can contribute?**

Hagir Elsheikh, a HACC alumna and member of the HACC Board of Trustees, has written "Through Tragedy and Triumph: A Life Well Traveled," a powerful account of how she overcame tremendous odds as a Sudanese refugee to become a voice and advocate for women everywhere.

Now through June 10, 2021, all proceeds from sales of her book will be donated to the [HACC Foundation](#). You are invited to please purchase the book in support of HACC students by accessing this link: <https://amzn.to/3uiryTA>.

**5. I heard that PSECU is hosting a free webinar on shopping for a credit card. Could you please provide more information so that I can tune in?**

With a variety of credit cards available, it is important to choose the right one. On June 8 at noon, PSECU is hosting, "Wallet Works – How to Shop for a Credit Card Webinar" to provide tips for choosing a credit card and more!

By June 7, please use [this link](#) to register for the webinar.

Please note that attendance is open to all – even those who are not PSECU members.

**QUOTE:** The key to being happy is knowing you have the power to choose what to accept and what to let go. ~Dodinsky