

Cougar Greetings!

Barton hopes this message finds you well and safe! Thank you for your determination during this unprecedented time.

Federal funds have been made available to Barton Community College through the Federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), Public Law 116-260. This is also referenced as the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund II, (HEERF II). Through this act, funding is available to students in need who have likely experienced financial challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic. After reviewing the eligibility requirements Barton has determined selection criteria based upon CRRSAA funding guidance provided by the U.S. Department of Education.

The purpose of this message is to inform you that you have been designated as a qualified recipient of a CRRSAA grant. CRRSAA funding amounts will vary by student based upon the Expected Family Contribution calculated on your 2020-21 FAFSA. **You can view the CARES amount you should expect to receive by logging into your Barton Portal Account and viewing your Financial Aid Awards.**

Please understand even though you are receiving this payment, this is not a refund of overpaid funds. You may still have an outstanding bill with Barton. If you wish to use these funds to offset what you currently owe, or if you have any questions, please call Barton's Business Office at 620-792-9319 or send a message to this email address: [businessoffice@bartonccc.edu](mailto:businessoffice@bartonccc.edu)

**Action Step You Need to Take: Make sure you are signed up for Direct Deposit!** The most expedient way to deliver these funds to you is through Direct Deposit to your checking or savings account. If you have not signed up for Direct Deposit, you can do so with Barton's Student Financial Center accessible through your Barton Portal account. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Barton's Business Office at 620-792-9319 or [businessoffice@bartonccc.edu](mailto:businessoffice@bartonccc.edu). **The CARES Grants will be processed on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and in most cases delivered in 7-10 business days.** If a direct deposit is returned due to an incorrect account number or a check returned due to an incorrect postal address, the funds will be redistributed to another student. **Therefore, it is imperative to sign up for direct deposit with a valid account number in Barton's Student Financial Center and to ensure your postal address is accurate in your Barton Portal account!**

Barton is committed to helping you continue learning! If you have any questions or concerns about any matter, including future enrollments, please reach out to us.

Best regards,

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