

Tyler Junior College signed the Certification and Agreement form and submitted it to the Department of Education and a received third round of additional funds for emergency financial aid grants to students under Section 2003 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) (Pub. L. 117-2). This act allocated a supplemental award of \$13,859,503.00 to provide emergency financial aid grants to students for any component of the student’s cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to coronavirus such as tuition, food, housing, healthcare (including mental health), or child care. Tyler Junior College received \$13,859,503 for student awards and intends to disburse \$13,859,503 directly to students. As of 01/04/22, TJC has distributed \$12,139,400.00 as the TJC COVID Relief grant to 9,923 students. It is estimated that 9,871 students could qualify for the TJC COVID Relief Grant during the 21-22 academic year.

**Tyler Junior College Policy in awarding TJC COVID Relief Grants (Fall, 2021)**

These supplemental funds will be used to continue awarding TJC COVID Relief Grants during the 21-22 award year beginning Fall, 2021.

Students must complete a TJC HEERF3 application and all eligible students will receive a link to the application via email. Students may opt in to allowing the funds to pay toward their account balance.

Award amounts will be determined based on the priority tiers below:

	<b>Registered for F2021</b>	<b>Took college courses at TJC During COVID-era</b>	<b>Took college courses elsewhere during COVID-era or Dual Credit @ TJC</b>	<b>Did not take courses at TJC during COVID-era</b>
<b>Tier 1</b>	✓	✓		
<b>Tier 2</b>	✓		✓	
<b>Tier 3</b>	✓			✓
<b>Tier 4</b>		✓		

- Tier 1: \$1200 + \$500 Pell bonus if student’s EFC falls within the ED specified range
- Tier 2: \$1000 + \$500 Pell bonus if student’s EFC falls within the ED specified range
- Tier 3: \$800 + \$500 Pell bonus if student’s EFC falls within the ED specified range
- Tier 4: Amount awarded will be equivalent to what was given to other students in the same term.

Tier 1 student awards will be approved and refunded beginning late July, 2021. Tier 2&3 students will be approved during the week of the ORD after no show processing. Tier 4

students will be immediately reviewed and approved if they have not previously received a CARES or COVID Relief Grant award for their previous term of enrollment.

Students receiving awards will receive email communications as follows:

- Confirming receipt of their application and award
- Confirming the payment on their account
- Confirming refunds has been processed

**Tyler Junior College Policy in awarding TJC COVID Relief Grants (Spring, 2022)**

All students who were awarded the TJC COVID Relief Grant in Fall 2021 will be automatically awarded \$1,000.00 upon registering for Spring 2022 starting November 7. The refund method will be the same as their Fall election.

Students who were not awarded the TJC COVID Relief Grant previously are eligible to apply once they are registered for Spring 2022. These students must complete a TJC HEERF3 application and may opt in to allowing the funds to pay toward their account balance. Dual credit and transients are not eligible.

Funds will be awarded on a first-come-first-served basis until funds are exhausted.