MEMORANDUM

TO: WCCCD Students

FROM: Division of Student Services

SUBJECT: (Update) Availability of CARES Act Funding

DATE: January 29, 2021

WCCCD is providing emergency aid funding approved by Congress as part of the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act and the 2021 Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) to support students impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. Aid is available to enrolled students experiencing expenses directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Awards are available to help students who meet the minimum requirements outlined by the U.S. Department of Education. Emergency funds provided by the CARES and CRRSAA Acts are intended to help students with expenses that may affect their ability to attend WCCCD. They include needs related to technology, housing, internet access, child care, basic living needs, course materials and more.

If you have been impacted by the coronavirus pandemic and are in need of emergency funds to assist you in the areas listed above, you may use the link provided below to submit an application for review. Students must be currently registered at WCCCD. All communication regarding approval or denial of your application will be sent to your WCCCD email address. If you have not submitted your 2020-21 FAFSA to our institution or have not met the minimum requirements, your application will be denied.

The CARES Act Emergency Funds are limited. Therefore, awards will be issued on a first come, first serve basis for eligible applicants until funds are exhausted. Emergency funding provided through this process will not impact other financial aid you may receive. Award amounts will be determined by the CARES Act Emergency Funds Task Force. Only one application per student per semester is allowed. Application submission does not guarantee an award.

CARES Act Emergency Funds Application: http://www.wcccd.edu/cares_act.html

WCCCD is committed to the safety and academic success of its students. We are truly appreciative of the courage, resilience, creativity, and compassion of our students, faculty, and staff as we together face the unprecedented disruptions of our lives and our society caused by the COVID-19 virus.