

May 1, 2020

Dear Students:

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act provides money to cover student expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19. Eligible expenses include food, housing, course materials, technology, healthcare, and childcare.

The CARES Act does exclude the following students from receiving awards: PSEO students (Online College in the High School, concurrent enrollment, regular PSEO), exclusively online students, incarcerated students, students paying the senior citizen rate/noncredit courses, Farm Business Management students and students who have not completed a FAFSA to confirm they meet the federal student eligibility requirements. The list of eligible students is based on those enrolled as of March 6, 2020. Eligible students will receive \$200 **or** \$300 awards based on financial aid eligibility. Money will be transferred to direct deposit bank accounts on file. If students do not have a direct deposit bank account set up, a check will be mailed to the address listed in eservices. We anticipate these awards to be disbursed by May 8, 2020.

We encourage **all** students experiencing financial hardships due to COVID-19 disruptions to apply for emergency grants and scholarships at alextech.edu/cares-act. If you have any questions about these grants, please contact the Financial Aid Office by calling 320-762-4540 or emailing financialaid@alextech.edu. Please be advised CARES Act grant awards may be counted as income when you do your 2020 taxes.

This is a challenging time - thanks for your persistence and patience. We know you may be feeling stress or anxiety. You can seek support services on our campus by contacting our counselor, Julie Trosvig, at juliet@alextech.edu or by calling 320-762-4958. In addition, United Healthcare is offering a free emotional support helpline. Their 24/7 toll-free helpline number is 866-342-6892 and is free of charge and open to any student.

We look forward to students returning to campus. We have enclosed a \$20 gift certificate for use at the ATCC Campus Store or online at alextech.edu/store for any logoed items, including ATCC facemasks. Congratulations to graduates!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Seymour", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Michael Seymour, President