EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND REPORTING- GRANTS TO STUDENTS FROM LAWSON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE September 30, 2021

Lawson State Community College (LSCC) acknowledges that the institution signed and returned to the Department of Education, the Certification and Agreement to receive \$1,761,011.00 and \$6,456,051.00 under the CRRSAA and ARP (a)(1) and (a)(4) programs to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

Lawson State has disbursed \$4,233,843 of Student Relief funds from CRRSAA and ARP to 3,638 students for education and technology expenses to defray the cost of transitioning from campus based instruction to online instruction for the quarter ending September 30, 2021.

Lawson State Community College is located in Birmingham, Alabama where COVID-19 cases were some of the highest in the nation. The College provided online, virtual and on-campus courses when classroom presence was required for students to be successful and prepared to move to the workforce.

A College Committee reviewed and considered all degree, non-degree, transit and dually enrolled students registered and matriculating in Summer and Fall Term Courses who were not specifically exempt under the CRRSAA and ARP programs. It was the consensus of the Committee that all eligible students would receive payments ranging between \$350 to \$,2,000 depending upon their enrollment status to assist with any hardships or barriers resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Students were aided with grant award flexibility which allowed students to authorize the College to apply a portion of their funds to their registered classes to help secure their classes. Students with outstanding balances arising after March 16, 2020, were provided financial relief and those balances have been paid with CRRSAA & ARP Institutional CARES funds.

The College notified all eligible students by text messaging and email that the college would make awards to students enrolled and persisting in Summer and Fall Courses after performing attendance verification.