

GRANT AID GUIDELINES

This award will help recipients to:

(1) attend school for consecutive semesters until graduation and/or transfer and reduce any existing loan burden.

The application for Grant Aid is only available on the SSS website (www.susla.edu)

All SSS Students must complete a GRANT AID APPLICATION each award period. (NO EXCEPTIONS)

SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT AID IS AWARDED EACH SEMESTER WHEN FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE.

- Grant Aid Applications <u>must</u> be submitted by 12:30 am on the deadline date of April 15, 2024. (<u>NO EXCEPTIONS</u>)
- 2. Students <u>must</u> be full-time/part-time students of postsecondary education, receive a Federal Pell Grant, and have earned less than 60 hours. (60 hours or more Exceptions are reviewed on a case-by-case basis).
- 3. Students must have an unmet financial need as verified by the SUSLA Financial Aid Office.
- 4. Students who meet the Grant Aid Criteria will be submitted to the Financial Aid Office for verification.
- 5. Students must be in good academic standing and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- 6. Students <u>must</u> complete the Grant Aid Application, a 200-word Essay that demonstrates financial need. Students <u>must</u> <u>type in the</u> Grant Aid Essay; which should include how the funds will be used. in, **12-point font.**
- 7. Students <u>must</u> submit an unofficial transcript; which <u>must</u> be attached to the Grant Aid application at the time of submitting the Grant Aid application.
- 8. Students <u>must</u> have completed the Grant Aid Information Workshop (as prescribed); applicants <u>must</u> read and sign the Grant Aid Guidelines Form each semester.

Note: Your participation or signing a Financial Literacy Guideline Form will not guarantee the Grant Aid Award.

- SSS students <u>must</u> attend at least three (6) TRIO –SSS-sponsored workshops, seminars, or recommended activities. (<u>These activities may include Academic Advising</u>, How to Workshops/Seminars, Tutoring, and/or Cultural Events.)
 Students must visit with the SSS counselor three (3) times a semester for assistance with personal, academic, and career needs.
 Grant aid informational workshop is not included as a credited workshop. (MANDATORY) (If the student is not able to attend workshops, college tours, or recommended activities. They must visit with their counselor (9) times per semester.)
- 10. Grant Aid will be awarded according to available funds, and the number of qualifying applicants with awards ranging in the amount from \$590.00 \$5,500.00.
- 11. All Grand Aid applicants will be notified of individual grant aid award status via email.

Appeal: Students who do not qualify for Grant Aid due to the above-mentioned standards and wish to appeal the decision may do so by having a:

- 1) Conference with his/her Counselor. If not resolved,
- 2) Conference with SSS Director. If not resolved,
- 3) Conference with Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

SSS reserves the right for the final approval!