

Pellissippi State Community College
TRiO Student Support Services
Grant Aid Award Information

Source of Grant Aid

The U. S. Department of Education - TRiO Division - has provided our TRiO Student Support Services program with \$28,000 in grant aid for students this year. The funding will allow 60% of our Pell grant eligible students to receive a minimum of \$400 in grant aid.

Distribution of Funds

Grant aid funds will be awarded shortly after the funding is received from Washington (usually coinciding with the PSCC Financial Aid disbursement dates). A portion of these funds will be reserved for emergency needs (which must be documented) or Study Abroad. Any remaining funding will be used for summer school expenses. The amount awarded is determined based upon need and on availability of funds.

Criteria for Funding

In order to meet the minimum criteria for receiving a grant, TRiO participants must:

- Be an **active** TRiO participant for a **minimum** of 3 months and have a **graduation plan** on file with TRiO.
- **Receive a Pell grant**
- Have **unmet need** (determined by subtracting the amount of Pell grant and other aid you receive from the amount of your need as determined on your FAFSA application)
- Be **active** in TRiO Student Support Services (have participated in a minimum of 3 TRiO-sponsored activities in the previous semester – peer tutoring, counseling sessions, success seminars, cultural events, career identification and transfer assistance)
- Be enrolled in a **minimum** of 6 credit hours in the current semester
- Have completed the Early Assessment form requirement for **each** of your academic courses (in the previous semester)

If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, please complete the attached application and submit it to the TRiO office. Your application will be evaluated and submitted to the Financial Aid Office for final approval. You will be notified by phone or e-mail after the selection process is completed.

