

Pellissippi State Technical 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 \$400 in grant aid.

Distribution of Funds

Grant aid funds will be awarded in February shortly after the funding is received from Washington. A portion of the funds will be reserved for emergency needs (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
- 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.

