

Dear BridgeValley Students,

BridgeValley's Faculty and Staff are concerned for your safety and well-being during these trying times. The move to online instruction has presented many challenges in your effort to meet your educational goals. We know many of you have faced job losses, childcare challenges, lack of internet access, as well as, many other issues. We want you to know you are not alone and we are here to help.

As part of the CARES Act passed by Congress, colleges and universities across the country received nearly \$14 billion in emergency funding, in which \$6 billion was set aside for cash grants to assist students. BridgeValley was a recipient of the emergency funds and we are developing a process for how the funds will disburse to students.

In keeping with the guidance provided by the U.S. Department of Education, BridgeValley is prioritizing the grants to students with the greatest financial need. Some, but not all, of our enrolled students will receive cash grant funding; for instance, students who enrolled in 100% online programs are not eligible to receive this funding.

BridgeValley's Administration and Financial Aid Office will base funding on a formula utilizing credit hours attempted and expected family contributions to determine the grants awarded to students. Students, who meet our qualifying criteria, will receive an email from Bonnie Edwards, Financial Aid Manager. The email will provide additional information regarding eligibility for funds and will include a link to our certification form. You must submit the certification form within one week of receipt to apply for the funds.

If you are eligible to receive the grant, the amount of the award will be available to view on your MyBridge account and BankMobile will distribute the funds. We ask you to ensure your BankMobile account is active and you have a preference selected for your delivery method.

To activate your BankMobile account follow the instructions below.

1. Visit www.refundselection.com
2. Enter your personal code (arrived in green envelope or via email at the beginning of the term).
3. Select how you want your funds delivered.

If you do not have a code, or never received one, please click on the "Need A Code" link on the www.refundselection.com site. If you still need assistance, you may contact cashier@bridgevalley.edu.