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## Memo

To: Participating Schools and Partners  
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Subject: PA State Grant and Special Programs - Coronavirus

The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) has been engaging in discussions about the potential impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) on students as it relates to the PA State Grant Program and all Special Programs administered by PHEAA.

We appreciate the questions and concerns that we have received so far from institutions and partners. We have been reviewing the guidance from Federal Student Aid (FSA) along with our current policies and Agency pandemic plan.

PHEAA plans to provide guidance on or around **March 23, 2020**, on how institutional policies or changes as a result of COVID-19 measures may impact various program guidelines. PHEAA's goal is to offer a solution that will not disrupt eligibility for current Spring 2020 PA State Grant recipients that are impacted by COVID-19.

Please be advised that your school should refrain from making enrollment updates that are a direct result of your institution's response to the COVID-19 situation until further guidance from PHEAA is issued.

You are encouraged to continue to reach out with specific questions and concerns related to COVID-19. Please do so by emailing [regulations@pheaa.org](mailto:regulations@pheaa.org) and listing "Coronavirus" in the subject line by Monday, March 16, 2020.

Thank you for your patience as we continue to discuss the impact on students, institutions, and partners.

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