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Dear NSU Students:

The Higher Education Relief Fund III (HEERF III) is authorized by the American Rescue Plan (ARP) and signed into law on March 11, 2021, providing 39.6 billion in support to institutions of higher education to serve students and ensure learning continues during the COVID-19 pandemic. Northwestern State University has distributed funds through the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act and through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) to continue supporting students who have an exceptional need due to COVID-19.

During 2021, NSU was awarded an additional \$10.5 million through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) to continue to support our students due to COVID-19. ARP Funds were disbursed to eligible student during the Fall 2021 semester. An additional payment for eligible students will take place during the Spring 2022 semester.

Students who are enrolled as of March 10, 2022, excluding Dual Enrollment and Continuing Education students, will receive funding through ARP. Awards are based on a student's classification and Pell Grant status. Processing of these funds will begin on March 17, 2022. Students signed up for direct deposit should begin receiving funds within 72 hours.

Eligible students who have a balance with NSU will have the option to apply their HEERF III (ARP) funding towards any charges still owed to NSU beginning March 11, 2022. This option will appear within your MyNSU account and answers cannot be changed once submitted.

Please review the [American Rescue Plan \(ARP\)](#) website for detailed eligibility and processing of the emergency Grants.

Sincerely,
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