In accordance with Section 2003 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ARP" or the "Act"), The Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III ("HEERF III"), Section 314 of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplement Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) and the guidance issued by the United States Department of Education, including Office of Postsecondary Education’s guidance dated May 6, 2020, Lycoming College submits this report concerning the award Lycoming College received under HEERF III consisting of funds for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.

1. Acknowledgement of Funding and Certification

Lycoming College reviewed, signed and returned the U.S. Department of Education’s Certification and Agreement for HEERF I (CARES Act) funds on April 27, 2020, and we received a grant award notification for ARP funds on May 15, 2021. As required by the certification, Lycoming College will use at least half of its allocation under Section 2003(7) of the ARP Act to make emergency financial aid grants to students.

2. Funds Awarded for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students

Lycoming College received $1,912,154 under Section 2003(7) of the ARP Act designated for distribution to students, which may be used for cost of attendance components or for emergency costs that arise due to COVID-19.

3. Emergency Financial Aid Grants Distributed to Students to Date Under Section 2003(7) of the ARP Act

Of the $1,912,154 Lycoming College received under Section 2003(7) of the ARP Act designated for distribution to students, which may be used for cost of attendance components or for emergency costs that arise due to COVID-19, Lycoming College has distributed $1,912,154 as of the date of this report.
4. Eligible Students

Lycoming College has had approximately 1,100 students as of the date of this report who have been enrolled as students at Lycoming College since March 13, 2020, the date of declaration of a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak and who, thus, are eligible to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 2003(7) of the ARP Act.

5. Eligible Students Receiving ARP Act Aid

As of the date of this report, Lycoming College has distributed funds it received under Section 2003(7) of the ARP Act designated for distribution to 840 students, which may be used for cost of attendance components or for emergency costs that arise due to COVID-19.

6. Distribution Method

Tiers representing students Expected Family Contribution (EFC) are used to determine how much funds students are to receive. Below are the tiers with the amounts. Awards were completed in a batch process and students did not have to apply with an application.

i. Tier 1 EFC= $0-5,846 Award $3,000 Residential/ $1,500 Commuter (Pell recipients)

ii. Tier 2 EFC= $5,847-20,000 Award $2,750 Residential/ $1,250 Commuter

iii. Tier 3 EFC= $20,001-40,000 Award $2,000 Residential/ $750 Commuter

iv. Tier 4 EFC= $40,000 and up Award $1,250 Residential/ $750 Commuter

v. Tier 5 Undocumented Students Award $3,000 Residential

vi. Tier 6 International Students Award $500 Residential

vii. Tier 7 Partnership Students Award $2,200 Residential
7. Communication to Students Concerning the Emergency Financial Aid Grants

An email was sent to students on 12/10/21 that included instructions, directions and guidance was emailed to students regarding the Emergency Financial Aid Grants.