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1. LTI signed and returned to the U.S. Department of Education (“Department”) the Certification and Agreement that assures our institution intends to use all of the applicable funds designated under the CRRSAA Section 314(a)(4) to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students.
2. LTI has received \$4,443,402 from the Department pursuant to the institution’s Certification and Agreement for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. Section 314(a)(4) of the CRRSAA.

6. LTI has not developed a methodology to determine w  
Financial Aid Grants and how much they would receive  
program. LTI will present the methodology prior to its f  
will be publishing that information in this space on a qu

7. LTI will publish instruction, directions, or guidance  
Emergency Financial Aid Grants in the near future on i

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\*This institution includes the following campuses located in: Shelton, CT; East Windsor, CT; Philadelphia, PA, Allentown, PA, and Melrose Park, IL.



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