



UT Tyler COVID-19 Weekly Update – April 24

DOE releases updated CARES grant eligibility requirements

The US Department of Education has released more specific guidance on how UT Tyler may distribute the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act grants to students. The new guidelines prohibit distribution of the CARES Act grant to students enrolled in completely online programs at the time UT Tyler moved its in-person classes to an online format. The grants are specifically for expenses incurred as a result of disruption to the education process created by the COVID-19 pandemic. *CARES funds have not been received by UT Tyler yet, but they are expected to be released shortly. When they are, all students will be emailed a link to the grant application.*

UT Tyler University Pines residents released from leases

UT Tyler and CLV (the private company that operates University Pines) have reached an agreement in favor of UT Tyler students. Under the terms of the agreement, UT Tyler students residing at University Pines this semester will not be financially liable for terminating leases early due to COVID-19 guidance. Students who moved out on March 16 or later and have already paid for the time period beyond their move-out date will be reimbursed by CLV.

UT Tyler COVID-19 Emergency Fund available to help students

Students who need help with basic living necessities and academic support resources should reach out to Andrew Pettee, dean of students, at apettee@uttyler.edu.

Use the [COVID-19 Student Emergency Fund Application](#) to make a request. Funds are limited.

Student Support Services available to the UT Tyler Community

During this stressful time students are dealing with a multitude of changes in their world and need the support of the University. From the Dean of Students:

The Student Counseling Center is available as a resource for you. Our therapists are providing telehealth services by phone and Zoom. Appointments can be scheduled either by phone at 903.565.5746 or through the [UT Tyler Student Counseling Center webpage](#).

Other resources:

- *Wednesday “Quarantine Confessions” group seminar: 1 p.m. via Zoom. [Sign up](#) to receive the zoom link. Crisis and after-hours services available 24/7 at 903.566.7254.*
- *[Therapist Assisted Online \(TAO\) program](#): Confidential library of interactive self-help modules to assist with stress management, relaxation, problem solving and many other topics. Sign up with your UT Tyler or Patriots email.*

- *UT Thrive app: free from your app store or from these [Pinterest](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) pages. Find tips for managing stress, feeling more connected, mindfulness techniques and other wellness tips.*

The Center for Students in Recovery supports students in recovery for mental health and substance abuse. Open online recovery meetings are available twice a week or students can call or email for individual services. uttyler.edu/recovery

The Center for Student Financial Wellness provides support to students with financial literacy and financial wellness resources. One-on-one financial counseling is offered by phone, Skype or Zoom. uttyler.edu/csfw

Student Conduct and Intervention supports students, faculty and staff through consultation, the CARE Team, case management and conduct services. Individual meetings are available through telephone or Zoom. If you have a concern about a student, please submit a [CARE report](#) so we can follow-up. uttyler.edu/sci

The Office of Research and Scholarship remains open to assist campus

The Office of Research & Scholarship (proposal preparation, submission and administration) and Scientific Review Committees (IRB, IACUC, IBC, COI) continues to provide full-service assistance remotely. For more information, email research@uttyler.edu.

Report COVID-19 related illness

To maintain the wellness of the campus, students and employees are strongly encouraged to report COVID-19 related illnesses.

[UT Tyler COVID-19 Illness Report Form](#)

Full list of cancellations and postponements

For the latest list of COVID-19 related cancellations and postponements, visit <https://www.uttyler.edu/coronavirus/cancellations/>

Read the UT Tyler employee COVID-19 FAQ

<https://www.uttyler.edu/human-resources/employee-covid19-faq/>

For the latest information on UT Tyler's response, please visit:

<https://www.uttyler.edu/coronavirus/>

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