Methods Used to Determine Which Students Receive Aid and How Much

The College of Wooster identified the neediest population of students, which included all Pell Grant recipients as well as those individuals with Expected Family Contributions (EFC), as determined by the FAFSA, of below a certain level. These students who were deemed to be part of the neediest population were awarded emergency financial aid grants of \$1,400. Awarded students were sent an e-mail notifying them of their award and a link to a brief online secure survey to determine how the student would prefer to receive their funding. The options were to have the funding sent directly to the student, applied to their student account, or split between the two previous options. Students were provided several weeks to respond to the survey, if they did not respond, the funds were sent directly to the student.

In addition to the students identified as the neediest population, students were able to submit a request for emergency funding. The Director of Financial Aid, in collaboration with the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Senior Dean of Students, then evaluated each application individually and awarded emergency financial aid grants to those students who identified such expenses in amounts between \$500 and \$2,000, depending on need. Once awarded, students were sent the same survey as the other population to determine how to disburse the funds.

Instructions or Directions Given to Students

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