

Dear Parkland students,

During this time of transition, we want to make sure you have access to important information regarding financial aid. Financial Aid and Veteran Services staff is working remotely and are available to assist you. Please direct any questions to finaid@parkland.edu and someone will respond to you.

Financial Aid is available for summer. Once you enroll in your summer classes, please complete our Summer 2020 Student Information for Financial Aid form. This form is available on-line [here](#) (<https://www.parkland.edu/Portals/3/Financial%20Aid%20and%20Veterans/Documents/Forms%202019-2020/Summer%202020%20Form.pdf?ver=2020-03-05-112012-767>).

Financial aid awards for 2020 -2021. We continue to process financial aid and are notifying you through your student e-mail if we need additional forms. All forms available on-line at [here](#) (<https://www.parkland.edu/Main/About-Parkland/Department-Office-Directory/Financial-Aid-and-Veteran-Services/Forms>). Please submit all forms to our office by mail or fax (217/373-3807). To ensure your privacy, Do NOT submit forms through email.

Are you receiving Federal Work Study? Because work-study is part of your financial aid package, you will continue to be paid through the end of the spring semester even though the college has implemented an online only format.

Scholarships are coming. The Parkland College Foundation has been working on introducing a new online Scholarship Manager program. This program will replace the current paper-based system and allow students to complete a single application and be matched to eligible scholarships. Current COVID-19 precautions and the necessary transition of all student services online has delayed the release. There will be scholarships available to students for fall 2020, and students should watch their student email accounts for information once the program goes live.

Parkland is committed to helping you complete the coursework you have in progress and finding an educational solution that works for every student. Please do not withdraw at this time. We ask for your patience and willingness to let us work through these challenges with each and every one of you. If we have been unable to help you create that plan for your success, please send an e-mail to finaid@parkland.edu indicating the class(es) you plan to withdraw from and a financial aid advisor will be able to let you know the financial implications of the withdraw.

Sincerely,

Mike Trame
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