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## American Public Education, Inc.'s Subsidiary, Hondros College of Nursing, Distributes All CARES Act Funding Directly to Students Amid COVID-19 Pandemic

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*Hondros Continues the Training and Education of 2,000 Front-Line Healthcare Workers*

**Charles Town, WV—July 29, 2020** – [American Public Education, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: APEI), parent company of campus-based pre-licensure nursing educator [Hondros College of Nursing](#), today reaffirms its May announcement that Hondros has distributed 100 percent of the \$3.12 million it received in emergency relief aid to 1,687 eligible nursing students who were not studying fully online prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.

“At Hondros, we are proud to play an important role in educating frontline healthcare personnel so they can take care of those in need,” said Angela Selden, president and CEO of APEI. “Of the 1,687 students receiving CARES funding, 123 are already working on the job, having since graduated with nursing degrees with RN and LPN eligibility.”

The campus-based Hondros, with nearly 2,000 current students, was forced to move its courses online for the spring quarter of 2020 due to COVID-19. Of the 1,687 students receiving aid, 1,030 received at least \$916; 657 students received between \$2,900 and \$4,000, all based on eligibility requirements. These students could use the grants to help defray costs they encountered as a result of the disruption of campus operations due to COVID-19, such as technology expenses.

“The aid came at a time of true necessity because I was able to buy the things I needed to take my online courses,” said Hondros student Shirley Arrington, LPN. “I didn't know what I was going to do to survive to make it through school. I am so grateful.”

Since 2006, Hondros has been graduating high-quality, work-ready nurses who enter the field with

exceptional clinical, communication and collaborative skills. Enrollment is conveniently offered four times a year with no prerequisite classes for admission.

“Hondros graduates are fully prepared to become nurses and we are highly focused on doing all we can to help them make a difference at a time when there’s a shortage in this profession,” said Harry T. Wilkins, CEO at Hondros College of Nursing. “We provide a strong foundation so these nurses can lead rewarding and successful careers. An affordable, accessible, high-quality education is a critical part of them achieving their success.”

Visit the [Hondros Cares Act webpage](#) for more info. APEI’s online university, American Public University System (APUS) did not receive any Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act emergency relief aid.

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### **About Hondros College of Nursing**

Hondros College of Nursing educates students at five Ohio campuses in Cincinnati/West Chester, Cleveland/Independence, Columbus/Westerville, Dayton/Fairborn and Toledo/Maumee, where students can earn a Practical Nursing Diploma and an Associate Degree in Nursing. Additionally, Hondros College of Nursing educates Practical Nursing students at its campus in Indianapolis. Hondros College of Nursing is dedicated to its mission, as well as the students, partners, and communities in which they serve. For additional information, please visit [hondros.edu](http://hondros.edu). For complete information about accreditation, please visit [hondros.edu/accreditation](http://hondros.edu/accreditation). Hondros College of Nursing cannot guarantee employment or salary. Hondros College of Nursing is a subsidiary of American Public Education, Inc. (NASDAQ: APEI).

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