

## Request to Decline Federal Pell Grant Funds

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**Disclosure:** Per the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2012, lifetime eligibility for a federal Pell grant is limited to six full-time-equivalent years (18 quarters/12 semesters), or 600%, toward an undergraduate degree. Usage dates back to 1972 as reported by the federal Common Origination and Disbursement system.

To manage your usage, you may decline part or all of your Pell award that you are otherwise eligible to receive. You may want to do this if you expect your financial need to increase in the future or if you'd like to save possible funding toward a more expensive college/program.

Before you decline funding, you need to understand the following:

- 1) This action is completely voluntary and not necessarily recommended, as future availability of the program is NOT guaranteed.
- 2) It may represent a partial or full return of your disbursement(s) for the current and/or future terms.
- 3) It will be denied if any applicable repayment cannot be processed.
- 4) It may apply only to your current academic year.
- 5) The deadline to submit this request is the current term's final Installment Loan due date.
- 6) Once CGCC returns declined funds to the Federal Pell Grant program, any request to recover the funds may not be possible (ex. after the close of the academic year).

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**Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **CGCC ID:** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Term:** [  ] Summer [  ] Fall [  ] Winter [  ] Spring [  ] Current Term to End of Academic Year

**Pell Grant Amt Returned:** \$\_\_\_\_\_.<sup>00</sup> Summer \$\_\_\_\_\_.<sup>00</sup> Fall \$\_\_\_\_\_.<sup>00</sup> Winter \$\_\_\_\_\_.<sup>00</sup> Spring

**Portion of Pell Award You Wish to Decline** (mark one):

[  ] **Partial:** \$\_\_\_\_\_.<sup>00</sup> Summer \$\_\_\_\_\_.<sup>00</sup> Fall \$\_\_\_\_\_.<sup>00</sup> Winter \$\_\_\_\_\_.<sup>00</sup> Spring

The percentage of Pell used will be reduced to reflect the amount of Pell award you keep.

[  ] **Full:** The percentage of Pell used will be reduced to 0%.

I have read the above disclosure. If returning funds, I am attaching a repayment check made payable to CGCC for my current term's declined amount, as applicable. Any remaining balance due on my account will be paid according to the college's payment terms as applicable. If my repayment cannot be processed for any reason, I understand that this request will be denied and my full Pell award and usage reinstated. I understand that CGCC has up to 30 days to report any change in Pell usage so that my Pell Lifetime Eligibility Used (LEU) is updated.

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_