



Withdrawing and/or Failing – The Impact on Financial Aid

RETURN OF TITLE IV FUNDS (R2T4)

FEDERAL REGULATION: The Higher Education Amendments of 1998, Public Law 105-244

A student's financial aid is based on the number of credits the student is enrolled in and the number of days the student attended classes. Until a student has passed the 60% point in the term, only a portion of the student's disbursed aid has been earned.

* If YOU, as a student:

- Withdraw completely (down to ZERO credit hours for a given term), OR - Fail all courses (receiving ZERO credit hours for a given term), OR
- Any combination of the above two circumstances, then:

Indian Hills Community College will be required to determine how much of the Federal aid you received must be returned (repaid) to the Federal Title IV aid programs, according to a defined Federal calculation and process.** Title IV, HEA funds may not cover all unpaid institutional charges due to the institution upon the student's withdrawal.

As a result of this calculation:

Colleges are required to return (Repay) a portion of your Title IV aid funds (both grants and loans) originally used to pay your bill at IHCC.

When this happens, you will then owe Indian Hills for that part of the cost of your tuition, fees, room & board, books, etc., formerly covered (paid for) by the Federal aid the school had to return (send back) to the Department of Education. You will receive a bill/statement if you owe Indian Hills.

**Simply stated: Title IV funds (Direct loans, Pell grants) are awarded under the assumption that the student will attend school for the entire period for which the funds were awarded. When a student does not complete the entire term, they may no longer be eligible for the full amount of Title IV Funds awarded.

The message: Study hard, stay in school, pass your classes, graduate and enhance your future with a better job and greater income.