



CONQUERING COVID-19

Keeping Missourians Safe



SUPPORTING HIGHER EDUCATION

Governor Parson understands the importance of education and workforce development to Missouri's full recovery. His administration and the Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development have taken several actions to support Missouri's higher education institutions, students, and workforce through the challenges of COVID-19.

- Allocated **\$80 million** to support the safe return to in-person instruction and campus life
- Allocated **\$23.6 million** of the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund to support public colleges and universities
- Allocated **\$10 million** in CARES Act funding to support private colleges and universities
- Allocated **\$10 million** to support expansion of remote learning capabilities
- Allocated **\$9.7 million** to support job training, including \$1 million to support the Fast Track Workforce Incentive Grant
- Allocated **\$1 million** to support the safe resumption of in-person service at Missouri Job Centers
- Temporarily reduced or suspended certain **A+ Scholarship** eligibility requirements
- Partnered with Coursera to provide free access to **3,800 online courses** to help Missourians skill up and reenter the workforce
- Launched the Return Strong campaign to help Missourians return to work
- Hosted virtual job fairs to connect job seekers with hiring companies
- Held multiple reopening roundtable discussions with leadership from higher education institutions across the state