

ELMIRA COLLEGE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

January 29, 2025

Dear EC Community,

As many of you are aware, the White House has issued several new executive orders over the past several days. Details have not been confirmed on most, but we understand there may be concern or anxiety over the potential impact on the institution, our students, and/or our employees. We are monitoring the situation and working to collect more information on each.

Here is information that we have received to-date:

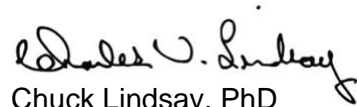
- On Tuesday, 1/28/25, the U.S. Office of Management and Budget released an [FAQ response](#) indicating that Pell Grants and student loan programs were NOT included in the federal grant pause announced on 1/27/25 and would continue. The Council of Independent Colleges and Universities in New York and their partners at the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities are actively seeking further clarification.

As additional information becomes available, we will collect and share it via email and MyEC. We also plan to develop resources and opportunities for sharing and feedback as appropriate.

In the interim, if you are feeling any concern or anxiety, I encourage you to reach out to the individuals or services below.

- **EC Student Counseling:** Absolutely confidential, no exceptions, and any student with concerns or anxiety can reach out to Kevin Murphy, Director of Counseling at kmurphy@elmira.edu.
- **EC Employee Counseling:** Confidential mental health services are available for free through NextGen EAP. A PDF with NextGen information is available on the Employee tab of MyEC.

Sincerely,



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President