

FINANCIAL AID GRANTS BY STATE



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Financial Aid Grants by State

Below are financial aid grants listed by state. Click on each state to see the details about the respective state grants.

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Note: Eligibility varies by the state and program. Funding can be limited and not guaranteed as the statutory law or the institution's participation is subject to change at any time. Students are encouraged to seek all other suitable sources according to the state and federal guidelines. If you require any assistance with financial aid programs that are not listed in this document, please contact the University's Student Finance Office for additional information regarding that program

State of Iowa Gift Aid (Iowa Residents)

The [GEAR UP Iowa Scholarship](#) provides awards to students who are part of the GEAR UP Iowa state-wide cohort. GEAR UP Iowa Scholarships are sent directly to the college/university that the student is attending and can be used to pay for tuition/fees, room/board, books/supplies, and personal/living expenses while in college. For more information, see [GEAR UP Iowa Scholarship](#).

Resources are available by visiting www.iowaCollegeAid.gov.

Education and Training Voucher Grant

The [Education and Training Voucher \(ETV\)](#) (ETV) Program usually provides awards of up to \$5,000 per year to students who age out of foster care and students who are adopted after age 16. Grant awards are sent directly to the college or university and can be used to pay for tuition/fees, room/board, book/supplies, and personal/living expenses.

Resources are available by visiting www.iowaCollegeAid.gov.

Award Procedure

- Notification of a student's award will be made available to the institution via a secured internet directory of eligible students when a student's award status is official. Once the notification is received, the Student Finance Office will review the eligibility criteria.

Notification

- If eligible, students will receive an award letter that includes the state program via email. Students can also access their award letter and Financial Aid information through the [Student Portal](#) (under My Account).

Disbursement

- Funds are applied to the student's account upon receipt of funding from the Commission.

State of Indiana

State of Indiana Gift Aid (Indiana Residents)

ScholarTrack

- The Commission for Higher Education's self-service tool [ScholarTrack](#) is for students/parents of dependent who have or plan to apply for state financial aid:
- View your state financial aid award.
- View your state award history information.
- View your grant application that includes information from your FAFSA, your diploma type, your 21st Century Scholar status, National Guard status and school of choice.
- View any issues with your FAFSA that could prevent you from receiving state aid.
- Update your school of choice.

Award Procedure

- Notification of a student's award will be made available to the institution via a secured internet directory of eligible students when a student's award status is "Ready to Claim." Once the notification is received, the Student Finance Office will review the eligibility criteria including requirements identified above.

Notification

- If eligible, students will receive an award letter that includes the state program via email. Students can also access their award letter and Financial Aid information through the [Student Portal](#) (under My Account).

Disbursement

- Funds are applied to the student's account upon receipt of funding from the Commission.

Frank O'Bannon Grant

General Eligibility Requirements

- Be an Indiana resident by December 31 the year prior to applying for aid (i.e., December 31, 2023, for the 2024–2025 school year).
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen.
- Be a high school graduate or hold a GED.
- Complete an error-free FAFSA by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education's established deadline prior to the academic year of intended enrollment.
- Be enrolled in a course of study leading to an associate's or first bachelor's degree.
- Be enrolled full time.
- Meet SAP (Satisfactory Academic Progress) requirements as determined by the institution.

Award Amount

- The Frank O'Bannon Grant includes a base award and any performance-based incentives earned by students. Please access the [Frank O'Bannon Grant](#) page and click on 2024–2025 Frank O'Bannon Grant Award Amounts.

Renewal

- Complete an error-free FAFSA (by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education's established deadline) for all consecutive years.
- Credit Completion Requirements
 - To renew the Frank O'Bannon Grant at the full award amount (known as the one-time Frank O'Bannon Grant), students must earn at least 45 credits in the last award year the student used state financial aid with a credit completion requirement.
 - To renew the Frank O'Bannon Grant at a reduced award amount (known as the full-time Frank O'Bannon Grant), students must earn at least 36 credits in the last award year the student used state financial aid with a credit completion requirement.

21st Century Scholars Program

General Eligibility Requirements

- Be a resident of Indiana, both when applying and when receiving the scholarship (determined by the residency of the parent or legal guardian).
- Be one of the following:

- U.S. citizen or U.S. national (includes natives of American Samoa or Swains Island).
- U.S. permanent resident who has an I-151, I-551, or I-551C (Alien Registration Receipt Card).
- A noncitizen with one of the following designations:
 - Refugee
 - Asylum Granted
 - Indefinite Parole and/or Humanitarian Parole
 - Cuban-Haitian Entrant, Status Pending
- Be enrolled in the 7th or 8th grade at an Indiana public or private school accredited by the Indiana Department of Education. Children in foster care may apply after the 8th grade. Homeschooled students are not eligible for the 21st Century Scholars Program.
- Be a member of a family that meets the income eligibility guidelines. See the chart below for current income guidelines [here](#).
- Submit a complete 21st Century Scholars Program application through ScholarTrack.
- Resources for Students and Families are available by visiting [Scholars.in.gov](#).
- Complete an error-free FAFSA (by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education's established deadline). See the latest information about the deadline [here](#).
- Be enrolled full time.
- Be enrolled in a course of study leading to an associate's or first bachelor's degree.

Award Amount

- The scholarship may pay up to full tuition and regularly assessed fees.

Renewal

- Continue to meet all of the Eligibility Requirements.
- Complete an error-free FAFSA (by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education's established deadline) for all consecutive years.
- Earn at least 45 quarter credits in the previous academic year to renew.

Adult Student Grant

General Eligibility Requirements

- Submit a complete Adult Student Grant application through [ScholarTrack](#).
- Be an Indiana resident and a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen.
- Be financially independent as determined by the FAFSA and demonstrate financial need.
- Be enrolled, or plan to enroll, in a course of study leading to an associate or first bachelor's degree.
- Be enrolled in at least nine quarter credits in any academic term.

- Maintain satisfactory academic progress as defined by the institution.
- Meet any other minimum criteria established by the Commission.

Award Amount

- The maximum annual award amount up to \$2,000 based on the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) as determined by the FAFSA.

Renewal

- Complete an error-free FAFSA (by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education's established deadline) for all consecutive years.
- Complete an Adult Student Grant application through ScholarTrack.
- Earn at least 27 quarter credits in the previous academic year to renew.

Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship

General Eligibility Requirements

- Must be an Indiana resident and a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen.
 - Applicants must have had legal settlement in Indiana for at least the last two semesters prior to graduating from high school.
- Must have attended a publicly supported high school on a full-time equivalency basis for at least the last two semesters before the student graduated.
- Must have been awarded a minimum of a Core 40 high school diploma by the end of grade 11, including any summer coursework completed by July 1 of the year of graduation.
- Must not have been enrolled in a publicly supported high school for any part of a fourth year (grade 12).
- Must enroll as a full-time, degree-seeking student at an eligible institution no later than the fall semester (or its equivalent, as determined by the Commission) in the academic year immediately following the year in which the student graduates from high school.
- Must meet any other minimum criteria established by the Commission.
- Submit a complete and clean FAFSA at [FAFSA.gov](https://fafsa.gov).
- Submit a complete Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship Application through [ScholarTrack](#).

Award Amount

- The Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship is a one-time award of \$4,000.

Financial Aid for Military and Public Safety Officers (CVO Programs)

Child of Deceased or Disabled Veteran

Provides up to 100% of tuition and regularly assessed fees for children of deceased or disabled veterans. This program funding is limited to a maximum of 124 credit hours (or the equivalent) and may be used at the undergraduate and professional degree level. Click [here](#) for more information.

Child of Purple Heart Recipient or Wounded Veteran

Provides up to 100% of tuition and regularly assessed fees for Children of Disabled Veterans or Purple Heart Recipients. This program funding is limited to a maximum of 124 credit hours (or the equivalent) and may be used at the undergraduate and professional degree level. Click [here](#) for more information.

Children and Spouse of Indiana National Guard

Provides up to 100% of tuition and regularly assessed fees for students who are the child or spouse of a member of the Indiana National Guard who suffered a service-connected death while serving on state active duty. This program funding is limited to a maximum of 124 credit hours (or the equivalent). Click [here](#) for more information.

Children and Spouse of Public Safety Officers

Provides up to 100% of tuition and regularly assessed fees for students who are the child or spouse of certain Indiana public safety officers (PSO) who were killed in the line of duty or are a permanently disabled state trooper. This program funding is limited to a maximum of 124 semester credit hours at Indiana public colleges and universities at the undergraduate resident tuition rate. Click [here](#) for more information.

Indiana Purple Heart Recipient

Provides up to 100% of tuition and regularly assessed fees for students who are Indiana veterans and Purple Heart Recipients. This program funding is limited to a maximum of 124 credit hours (or the equivalent) and may be used at the undergraduate, graduate, and professional degree level. Click [here](#) for more information.

National Guard Tuition Supplement Grant (NGSG)

Provides up to 100% of tuition and regularly assessed fees at a public Indiana institution for eligible members of the Indiana Air and Army National Guard. Students can attend either full time or part time. Click [here](#) for more information.

National Guard Scholarship Extension Program (NGES)

Provides 100% of tuition and regularly assessed fees to former National Guard members who left the Guard under honorable discharge conditions, used the National Guard Supplement Grant in the past, and who served on active duty overseas since September 10, 2001. Students can attend either full-time or part-time. Click [here](#) for more information.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home

Provides up to 100% of tuition and regularly assessed fees for students who are former students and/or graduates of Morton Memorial High School and former residents of the Indiana Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's home. This program funding is limited to a maximum of 124 credit hours (or the equivalent) and may be used at the undergraduate, graduate or professional degree level. Click [here](#) for more information.

Pennsylvania Chafee Education and Training Grant Program (Pennsylvania Residents)

General Eligibility Requirements

- Must be a Pennsylvania resident.
- Be eligible for services under Pennsylvania's John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood.
- Be identified as a youth in foster care or a youth discharged or adopted from foster care after age 16.
- Be an applicant who has not reached your 26th birthday by July 1 immediately preceding the upcoming academic year in which Chafee ETG funds will be awarded.
- File a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) for the academic year for which funds are being requested.
- Complete a Chafee Application (available on [PHEAA website](#)) by January 31, 2025.
- Be enrolled as an undergraduate, at least half time in a college or career school that is approved by the U.S. Department of Education for Title IV student assistance programs.
- Demonstrate financial need for the grant (as determined by the institution).
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress (as determined by the institution).
- Not be in default on a federal student loan or owe a refund on other Title IV aid.
- For a Chafee ETG, have not received Chafee ETG for 5 years (consecutive or not), defined as 10 semesters or the equivalent.
- Have graduated from high school or have received a Commonwealth Secondary School Diploma.

Application Process

- File a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the academic year in which Chafee funds are being requested.
- Download and complete the Pennsylvania Chafee Education and Training Grant Program Application once available. Applications may be found at PHEAA's [website](#).
- Mail a completed application to:
PHEAA
State Grant and Special Programs
P.O. Box 8157
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8157

Award Procedure

- Notification of a student's award will be made available to the institution via a secured internet directory of eligible students when a student's award status is official. Once the notification is received, the Student Finance Office will review the eligibility criteria.

Notification

- If eligible, students will receive an award letter that includes the state program via email. Students can also access their award letter and Financial Aid information through the [Student Portal](#) (under My Account).

Disbursement

- Funds are applied to the student's account upon receipt of funding from the PHEAA.

Students should visit [Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency \(PHEAA\)](#) for more information.

Vermont State Grant (Vermont Residents)

General Eligibility Requirements

- Must be a Vermont resident.
- Vermont Incentive/Part-Time Grant: pursuing an undergraduate degree or certificate program.
- Do not already have a bachelor's degree.
- Residents who are taking non-degree classes to improve their employability or to gain job skills may be eligible to apply for the Vermont non-degree grant.
- Submit a scholarship application directly to [Vermont Student Assistance Corporation \(VSAC\)](#)

- Students should apply in January for enrollment that begins in August/September.
- Vermont grants are awarded by the state to eligible applicants on a first-come, first-served basis while funding is available.

Award Procedure

- Notification of a student's award will be made available to the institution via a secured internet directory of eligible students when a student's award status is official. Once the notification is received, the Student Finance Office will review the eligibility criteria.
- The awards are disbursed three times during the year (July 1–June 30).

Notification

- If eligible, students will receive an award letter that includes the state program via email. Students can also access their award letter and Financial Aid information through the [Student Portal](#) (under My Account).

Disbursement

- Funds are applied to the student's account upon receipt of funding from the VSAC.

Colorado Education and Training Voucher Program (Colorado Residents)

General Eligibility Requirements

The student must be a current or former foster student who meet these criteria:

- Has been accepted into/enrolled in a degree, certificate, or other accredited program at a college, university, technical, or vocational school
- To remain eligible for ETV funding, youth must show progress toward a certificate of completion, associate, bachelor's, or postgraduate degree; and
- Is at least 17 years old and has not yet reached 26 years old
- Is a U.S. citizen or qualified non-citizen

In addition, youth must meet one of the following criteria:

- Was in foster care on or after their 14th birthday
- Had a finalized adoption with adoption assistance on or after their 16th birthday
- Had a guardianship assistance established on or after their 16th birthday; or

- Was in Division of Youth Services community placement on or after their 14th birthday

Award Amount

ETV Grant recipients can receive a maximum amount of \$5,000 per year. The maximum number of years a student can receive ETV funding is five (5) years (consecutive or intermittent).

Award Procedure

Once applicants complete an application, the Colorado Department of Higher Education (CDHE) will evaluate the eligibility. Notification of a student's award will be made available to the institution upon confirmation of eligibility. The Student Finance Office will review the enrollment status. Applications can be found on [CDHE's website](#).

Notification

If eligible, students will receive a funding offer that includes the state program via email. Students can also access their funding offer and Financial Aid information through the [Student Portal](#) (under My Account).

Disbursement

Funds are applied to the student's account upon receipt of funding from the CDHE.