Paying for College: Scholarships & More

Juniors - If a College and Career staff member has not met with you individually, please make an appointment with us before leaving today.



Tip: Have a discussion with your parents about paying for college

Ways to Finance College

- . Federal Grants
- . State of Oregon Grants
- . College Funded (Merit) Scholarships
- . Private Scholarships
- . Military
- . Student Loans
- . Work Study
- . Employer Benefit Programs
- . Work



Grants

 Free Money by Federal Government or State which does NOT needed to be paid back

Given to students with financial need

FAFSA (US citizens, permanent residents & DACA students) & ORSAA (undocumented students)

FAFSA & ORSSA Consider

- Parent's income
- Number of people in household
- Number of people in college
- Student's income
- Parent and student's savings



What is needed for FAFSA/ORSAA

- . Your social security number (if you have one)
- Your parents' social security numbers (if they have one)
- . Your parents' IRS taxes and W2 forms
- . Your IRS taxes
- . Your parents' date of marriage or divorce/separation
- . You and your parents' savings account balances

Common FAFSA/ORSAA Questions



- Does everyone have to complete FAFSA or ORSAA No, but it may be the only way to get some free money and student loans
- My parents are divorced, do I get information from both? No, only get information for the parent you live with the most.
- I plan to live on my own, can I be declared an independent student? Depends on situation and colleges will not make it easy
- Can I apply to FAFSA/ORSAA if my parents are not documented? Yes, the form to complete is determined by the student's documentation status and is not impacted by the parent status.
- When do you apply? For 2023-24 year, approx January 1. Typically October 1st for following school year, can be completed throughout academic year that you want aid.

FAFSA/ORSAA Could Provide

- **Pell Grant** free money \$7,395
- Oregon Opportunity Grant free money \$5,076 for 4 year college or \$3,900 for community college
- Student Loans Need to pay back
 - Subsidized Loan Govt pays interest while you go to school (Borrow \$3000, owe \$3000)
 - Unsubsidized Loan Interest is accrued while you go to school (Borrow \$3000, owe \$3158 after first year & \$3685 after 4 years)
 - Parent Plus Loan based off of parent's credit

CSS Profile

- Used Primarily by Private Colleges
- Requests more financial information such as medical bills, value of primary home, information from both parents if divorced
- Considers regional living expenses
- Cost \$25 to submit
- Deadline dependent on individual colleges

Free Tuition for Students with High Need

- If Pell Grant Eligible, can get free tuition at certain Oregon colleges, currently Portland State, University of Oregon, Oregon State, and Western Oregon University
- The college will take your Pell Grant and Oregon Opportunity funds and then provide you with free tuition









Merit Scholarships

- Awarded by individual colleges
- Often awarded based on admission application (essay, GPA, activities)
- Typically given for 4 years and requires maintaining a minimum GPA for subsequent years
- Example
 - OSU \$1500 \$10,000/year
 - Gonzaga \$12,000 \$20,000/year
- Schools often offer additional scholarships possibly with separate application.

Oregon Promise

- 2 Year Community College Funding
- Live in Oregon 1 Year & Graduate from Oregon high school
- 2.0 GPA
- Have to file FAFSA or ORSAA
- Deadline June 1 of your senior year if graduating in June, other deadlines for early grads
- Award of approx \$2000 \$4131
- May consider family financial situation
- Have to attend college within 6 months of graduation



Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)

- Non-resident discounts
- Varies per college
- Available at over 160 college in 16 Western states
- States Include

Alaska New Mexico Arizona North Dakota

California Oregon

Colorado South Dakota

Hawaii Utah

Idaho Washington Montana Wyoming

Nevada US Pacific Territories



Military Scholarships

- Military Academies
- Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC)
- Active Duty Tuition Assistance and GI Bill
- Reserve Duty Tuition Assistance, housing, pay
- Oregon National Guard Tuition, housing, pay
- 4-8 Year Commitment to Military
- Obtains citizenship for family members



Private Scholarships

- Local, regional and national
- Scholarship May Focus on:
 - Financial Need
 - Grades/Test Scores
 - First in Family
 - Ethnicity
 - Service
 - Leadership
 - Field of Study
 - Creative Essays, Videos and Art Projects



Where to find Scholarships

- College and Career Spreadsheet

 (on CCC website College Paying for College Scholarship Worksheet)
- Naviance
- Scholarship Databases
- Clubs, work, Parents affiliations
- Listed in weekly Student and Parent Newsletters

Scholarship List

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1	Due Date	Scholarship Name	Key Words	Amount	GPA	Website	Description	Applicant A	rea	
2	4/29	Promising Futures Scholarship Program	Business, managemen t, finance	\$100-1500	3	om/page/prom isingfutures?& hhsearchterms	For majors compatible with school business finance professions. The scholarship is open to public high school seniors who have been accepted and college freshman enrolled full time at an accredited Oregon community college, college or university.	Regional		
3	4/30	Lift Parts Express	Essay	\$500	2.5		Write an essay that outlines how much you expect to spend to finish your schooling, how you intend to pay for your schooling, and what you expect your job to be once you are finished your schooling. There is no word limit for the essay.	National		
4	4/30	Irene Stephenson High School Scholarship	Nursing, medical, health care	\$2,000		gacyhealth.org /-/media/Files/ PDF/giving-and -support/Schol arships/Irene-S tephenson-202 2-HS-Scholarsh	Legacy Meridian Park Hospital will be awarding three \$2000 scholarships to graduating high school senior planning to pursue a career in health care. This scholarship is offered to students who have attend public high school in Canby, Lake Oswego, Lakeridge, Newberg, North Marion, Oregon City, Sherwood, Tualatin, Tigard, West Linn, Wilsonville or Woodburn.	Regional		
6	4/30	Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers	Hispanic, STEM field	varies		https://www.s hpe.org/stude nts/scholarshp e	Multiple scholarships for Hispanics planning to study STEM related fields. Applicants must be a member of SHPE and can join for a \$5 fee. The organization provides internship information, connection to professionals and career	National		

Regional Scholarships

- ACT Six four years tuition at George Fox and Warner Pacific University
- Ford Family Foundation Scholarship 90% of tuition, room and board for 4 years
- Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber Scholarship multiple scholarships, amounts vary

Local Scholarships

For Seniors

- LAM Research Core Values Scholarship \$10,000
- Kaiser Permanente Health Equity Scholarship \$4000
- Tualatin Science & Technology Scholarship \$500
- Tualatin Historical Society Scholarship \$3000
- Tualatin High Alumni Scholarship varies
- ☐ Silvey Family Foundation \$10,000
- Byrom Elementary Scholarship \$1000
- ☐ Tigard Chamber Scholarship \$1000
- Express Employment Professional Scholarship \$1000
- Foundation for Tigard Tualatin Scholarships several available
- King City Lions Club Scholarships (through OSAC) \$1000
- Architecture, Construction and Engineering (ACE) Scholarship \$1000 \$7000

For Juniors

☐ Tualatin Rotary 1st Generation Scholarship - \$20,000

TSO Scholarship - multiple \$1000

Tualatin Soccer Scholarship - \$1000

TTSD Superintendent Scholarship - \$1000

Alberta Rider Elementary Scholarship - \$500

Wilberding Scholarship - \$5000

Tualatin Rotary Scholarship - \$1000

TTEA Scholarship - \$1000

Tips for Getting Scholarships

- Create a list of your activities and community service hours now
- Watch deadlines
- Make sure you answer questions completely
- Tell your story evoke emotion, make it personal
- Have someone proof your essay
- Plan time to complete scholarship

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