



North Carolina State Education
Assistance Authority

ESA+ and Opportunity Scholarship: Dual Enrolled Students



Presentation Topics

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Program Options
3. What is a Nonpublic School?
4. Program Differences
5. Program Disbursements
6. School Transfers
7. Wrap up



Program Options

- **The Opportunity Scholarship** is an income-based program (home schools are not eligible)
- **The Education Student Accounts (ESA+)** is a program for students with disabilities (home schools are eligible)





What is a Nonpublic school?

Public Schools

- Traditional Public Schools
- Magnet Schools
- Charter Schools

Nonpublic Schools

- Private Schools
- Home Schools

***** Home School options available through ESA+ Program, but not through the Opportunity Scholarship Program**



Program Differences

Opportunity Scholarship

- Must attend a nonpublic school

ESA+

- May attend a nonpublic school or home school
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PART-TIME ENROLLMENT

Students who co-enroll in ... will receive...

- Two private school: regular award **Opportunity / ESA+**
- Private school and public school: 50% of the award **Opportunity / ESA+**
- Private school and home school: regular award **ESA+ only**

Program Differences, *Continued*

Opportunity Scholarship

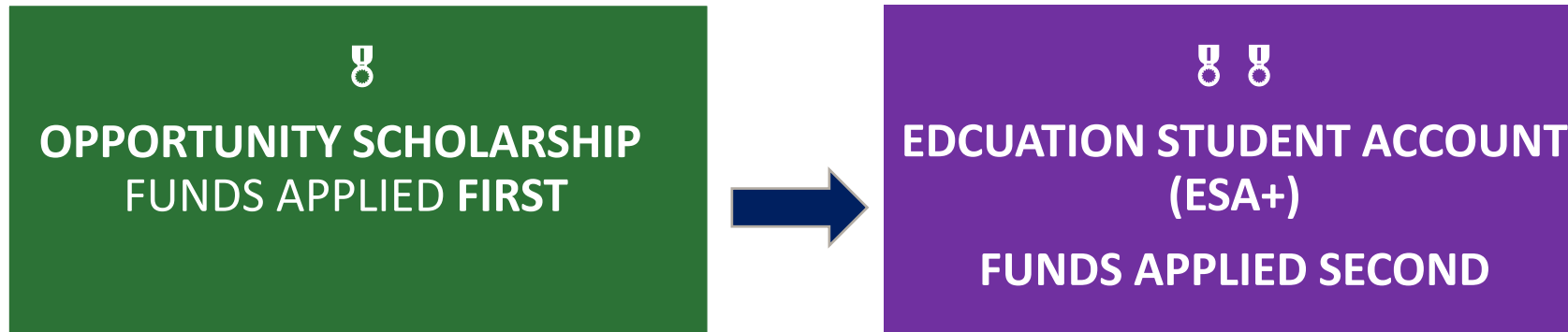
- SEAA will pay schools on behalf of the student recipients
- Up to \$6,168 (full time, per school year)



ESA+

- SEAA will pay schools on behalf of the student recipients
 - Funds other than for tuition and fees will go into an electronic account for parents to use for other Qualified Expenses.
- Up to \$9,000 (full time, per school year)
 - Students with certain designated primary or secondary disabilities may be eligible for up to \$17,000 per full-time nonpublic school student per year

Program Disbursements



- Award disbursement is **program-specific**:
- Opportunity and ESA+ disburse funds directly to schools on behalf of students.
- Schools complete Certification just once per year even if the student has more than one program award. Schools and parents endorse via [MyPortal](#) for each program award, each semester.



School Transfers

- Award funds from the K12 Programs can be sent to a maximum of two schools per semester.
- The amount of funds that can be paid to a 2nd school in a semester depends on how long the student attended the 1st school.

To calculate the amount of Opportunity Scholarship and ESA+ funds your student can take to the 2nd school, see the chart and explanations under “How To Transfer Schools” <https://www.ncseaa.edu/k12/k12-forms-resources/>



School Transfers: *complications for dual enrolled students*

ESA+ students may use remaining funds for other Qualified Expenses.

After the school payment disbursement, any remaining funds will be transferred to the ESA+ student's ClassWallet account.

Be aware: If you spend your ESA+ funds from ClassWallet, and then transfer to another school, you will not have ESA+ funds from the semester to apply at the new school.

The best time to transfer is between semesters.

<https://www.ncseaa.edu/events>

- Wednesdays at noon
- Attend live or watch recordings

June 8 ESA+ Overview

June 15 How do Schools get Paid? When are ESA+ Funds Sent to ClassWallet?

June 22 ESA+ Students at Schools Not Paid Directly by SEAA

June 29 Choosing or Changing Your School

July 6 ESA+ Continuing Eligibility

July 13 Qualified Expenses and Shopping on ClassWallet

July 20 Dual Enrolled Students (ESA+ and Opportunity Scholarship)

July 27 Planning for Summer 2023 Expenses

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