Welcome to the 2024-2025 School Year Opportunity Scholarship

July 2024
Helpful Hints for Zoom

*Slides & Recording will be posted at* Opportunity Scholarship – NCSEAA

- Zoom has **closed captioning** available

**Asking Questions**

- Use the Q & A to ask your questions *(chat is disabled)*
- Please do NOT provide confidential information during this Zoom session
- Email OpportunityScholarships@ncseaa.edu to ask questions about an individual student.

**Answering Questions**

- Presentation team will answer questions from the Q & A at the end
- Only questions related to this session’s content will be addressed live
Need to Reach Us?

EMAIL ADDRESS: OpportunityScholarships@ncseaa.edu

Please be sure you are emailing the Program from the email address listed in your MyPortal parent account. Otherwise, program staff will not be able to respond with student-level information.

Provide Program Staff with as much information as possible in the email!
Include: Student Name(s), PID #, Parent Name, Detailed Question(s) and/or Concerns

855-330-3955
Need to update your email?

Need to update your mailing address?

Need to update your phone number?

Step 1: Log onto your MyPortal account

Step 2: To update the email address, mailing address or phone number, go to the "My Contact Information" section

Step 3: In "New" Column, enter the new email address, mailing address or phone number and click "Save"
Parent & Student Identity Corrections Needed?

Parents should notify the K12 Programs via email if they have made an error related to identity. *Parents cannot independently fix these errors.*

- **Student or Parent Date of Birth (DOB)**
  - *Birth Certificate, Driver's License, Other Government Issued ID*

- **Student or Parent Name**
  - *Birth Certificate, Driver's License, Marriage License, Divorce Paperwork, Adoption Decree, Other Government Issued ID*

- **Student or Parent SSN**
  - *Social Security Card*

✓ **Student/Parent Identity Information Task** will be added to your To-Do List
Choosing a Direct Payment School
Full Year Enrollment

Students who receive the Opportunity Scholarship typically enroll full-time in a private school.

3 Co-Enrollment Options

1. private school + 1 private school (co-enrollment)
2. private school + 1 public school (co-enrollment)
3. private school + 1 homeschool (co-enrollment)

Opportunity Scholarship Co-Enrollment Webpage

Single Term Conversion

Unable to secure enrollment into Direct Payment School for the Fall 2024 semester? Please email the Opportunity Scholarship program to let us know. We can convert your student's full-year award offer to a single-term for the Spring 2025 semester. (reduced award, 50%)

*Private School must be registered as a Direct Payment School with NCSEAA*
A student’s award can be transferred to another eligible nonpublic school. Award funds can only be sent to two schools per semester.

The amount of available funds that can be sent to the new school depends on the number of weeks the student has attended the previous school. The chart below shows the percentage of award funds a school is entitled to keep based on the number of weeks a student has attended.

Review our K12 Programs: School Transfers document before emailing Opportunity Scholarships to request a school transfer.

Reminder: Opportunity Scholarship recipients may only transfer funding to a Direct Payment School.

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How do schools receive a student’s scholarship funding?
When & How?

**Fall Semester & Spring Semester**

**August**: Certification
When schools tell our agency that your student is enrolled & your student’s exact tuition cost for the year.

**August / September**: **Endorsement and Payment to Schools** (Fall Semester)
When schools tell our agency that your student is attending for the Fall semester.

**January / February**: **Endorsement and Payment to Schools** (Spring Semester)
When schools tell our agency that your student is attending for the Spring semester.

Once a parent endorses, funds are sent electronically to the school within 7-10 business days.
Welcome to MyPortal

Use My Portal to manage your college financial aid and K12 grants and scholarships for K12 dependents.

- To Do List
  - Applications and Renewals for K-12th Grade
  - Applications and Renewals for College
  - School Choice
  - Eligibility and Award Information
  - Help Requests
  - Notifications
  - My Contact Information
  - My Profile

What will your required tasks look like?

To Do List

Items with ✓ have been received. Items with □ are not received or incomplete.
Deadlines Matter

- **August 1st**: School selected in MyPortal
- **September/October 2024**: Fall 2024 Semester Parent Endorsement
- **October 1st**: Student must be attending school to receive Fall semester funding
- **March 1, 2025**: Student must be attending school to receive Spring semester funding
- **January/February 2025**: Spring 2025 Semester Parent Endorsement
- **Late January 2025**: Renewal Application sent to your To-Do List

**To-Do List**
- School selection
- Parent endorsement
- Renewal application
- Higher education readiness
- Timeline tracking

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Parents have the option to convert a full year award offer to a single term award offer in the event the student will not enroll in a participating school for a portion of the school year.

The student will forfeit their Fall 2024 funding but will be able to use their Spring 2025 funding at a participating school.

Students must be enrolled and attending in a participating school no later than October 1st to receive fall funding & March 1st to receive spring funding.

Parents email the Opportunity Scholarship Program (OpportunityScholarships@ncseaa.edu) to request the award be converted to single term.
Renewal Student vs. New Student

Who is considered a RENEWAL?

• A student who used scholarship funding in the previous school year would be eligible to renew for the following school year

Example: Student A used scholarship funding during the 2023-2024 school year. Student A is eligible as a renewal for the 2024-2025 school year.

Who is considered a NEW STUDENT?

• A student who has not used scholarship funding in the previous school year would be considered a new student applicant

Note: If a year or more has passed since last using scholarship funding, your student is now considered a new student applicant.

Renewal Student vs. New Student: What’s the Difference?
Sign up to receive our Opportunity Scholarship Newsletter!

*Don’t forget to verify your email address to begin receiving newsletters in August.
What other information can we provide?

We look forward to helping you during the 2024-2025 school year!
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