

# Federal & State Grants & Scholarships

## Federal Grants

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How to apply: Fill out FAFSA

### Federal Pell Grant

- Awarded to undergraduate students with financial need
- Award amounts vary.
  - Maximum amount is approximately \$6,000 per year (\$3,000 per semester.)
  - Awards vary based on financial need, cost of attendance, and hours enrolled
  - The amount of any other student aid for which you might qualify does not affect the amount of your Pell Grant.
- Once you have received a Pell Grant for 12 semesters, or the equivalent, you will NO LONGER be eligible for additional Pell Grants.

### Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG)

- Awarded to undergraduate students who are Pell eligible, with priority given to students with a high need
- Awards vary depending on funding level and when you complete your FAFSA and verification requirements.
- Annual Award Amounts from \$100 - \$4,000

### Federal Work Study

- Awarded to undergraduate students with financial need
- FWS awards are given on “first-come-first-serve” basis.
- After awarded FWS, must find a student worker job on campus. (Job listings available on ETSU Financial Aid website.)
- Paid by the hour; receive paycheck every two weeks.

## State Grants

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How to Apply: Fill out FAFSA as soon as possible after October 1.

### Tennessee Student Assistance Award

- Awarded to undergraduate students with financial need (EFC of \$2100 or less.)
- Must be a Tennessee resident. (Parents must also be Tennessee residents.)
- Must attend a public or eligible non-public postsecondary educational institution in Tennessee
- Awards are limited and based on funding—fill out the FAFSA as soon as possible!
- Limited to cost of tuition and fees at your institution

Award amounts for an academic year are:

Four-year/two-year private	\$4,000
Four-year public	\$2,000
Two-year public	\$1,300
Career Schools	\$2,000
TN College of Applied Technology	\$1,000

## Lottery Scholarship

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How to apply: Fill out FAFSA

### Tennessee Hope Scholarship

- Must graduate from a Tennessee High School, have been a Tennessee resident for one year, and enroll in a Tennessee public or private college/university.
- Must have at least a 21 ACT (980 SAT) OR overall weighted minimum 3.0 GPA.
- Must enroll within 16 months of high school graduation
- Award amounts for freshman:
  - Up to \$1,750 per full-time enrollment semester at an eligible 4-year institution
  - Up to \$1,500 per full-time enrollment semester at an eligible two-year institution.
  - Award is available fall, spring and summer semesters.

### General Assembly Merit Scholarship

- Must have a minimum 3.75 weighted GPA AND 29 ACT (1280 SAT)
- Award amount: Up to \$1,500 (\$500 per semester) to supplement to the HOPE Scholarship.

### Aspire Award

- Must meet HOPE Scholarship requirements **AND**
- Must have parents' adjusted gross income of \$36,000 or less on IRS tax form.
- Award amount:
  - Up to \$750 per semester as a supplement to the HOPE Scholarship at an eligible 4-year institution
  - Up to \$250 per semester as a supplement to the HOPE Scholarship at an eligible 2-year institution
  - Award is available fall, spring and summer semesters.
- If eligible for both GAMS and Aspire, Aspire (higher amount) will be given.

### Tennessee Hope Access Grant

- Must graduate from a Tennessee High School, have been a Tennessee resident for one year, and enroll in a Tennessee public or private college/university. Must have at least an 18 - 20 ACT AND a weighted 2.75 GPA.
- Parents' adjusted gross income of \$36,000 or less on IRS tax form
- Grant non-renewable – Student will be eligible for Tennessee HOPE Scholarship by meeting HOPE Scholarship renewal criteria and maintaining enrollment and other applicable requirements without the award
- Award amount:
  - Up to \$1,250 per full-time enrollment semester at an eligible 4-year institution
  - Up to \$875 per full-time enrollment semester at an eligible 2-year institution
  - Award is available fall, spring and summer semesters.

## Tennessee Promise

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How to apply: Fill out application by Nov. 1 and follow the checklist.

- Last-dollar scholarship, meaning it will cover college costs not met from Pell, HOPE, or TSAA.
- Students will be paired with a partnering organization serving their home county and will be provided with a mentor who will support them during the college application process.
- Must apply before November 1, 2018. (<http://tnpromise.gov/students.shtml>)

### TN Promise Checklist

<b>By Nov 1, 2018</b>	<b><a href="#">Apply</a> to the Tennessee Promise scholarship program. A local partnering organization will contact you to help you complete your requirements.</b>
<b>By Feb 1, 2019</b>	<b>File the 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on <a href="http://www.fafsa.gov">www.fafsa.gov</a>.</b>
<b>Fall/Spring</b>	<b>Attend a mandatory meeting coordinated by your assigned partnering organization. Additional details will be sent in the future regarding these meetings.</b>
<b>Spring</b>	<b>Apply to a <a href="#">community</a> or <a href="#">technical</a> college.</b>
<b>By July 1, 2019</b>	<b><a href="#">Complete and report</a> your first 8 hours of community service.</b>
<b>During Fall</b>	<b>If selected, provide requested documentation to complete FAFSA verification.</b>

Once in the program, students must maintain satisfactory academic progress (the equivalent of a 2.0 GPA at a community college), complete 8 hours of community service before the start of each term enrolled, and file the FAFSA by February 15 every year.