College Bound Myths & Facts

Myth

College Bound is a full ride.

Fact

College Bound may not cover all expenses, but funding is based on tuition (at public college rates), some fees, and a small amount for books. It can fund room and board if another type of financial aid covers tuition.

Myth

If I get College Bound, I won't be able to get any other form of financial aid.



Fact

You can receive other financial aid in addition to College Bound. When you file a financial aid application (the FAFSA or WASFA), you'll find out if you're eligible to receive additional money for college.

Myth

If I enroll in College Bound, then I will automatically receive the funds.



Fact

Enrolling in College Bound is just the first step. You also need to fulfill the College Bound Pledge and meet eligibility requirements in high school. Then you'll receive the funds!

Myth

If I don't qualify for federal financial aid, I can't get College Bound.



Fact

College Bound is a state financial aid program for Washington students. As long as you meet state residency and program requirements, you can receive College Bound—just file the WASFA instead of the FAFSA.

Myth

College Bound can only be used for one degree.



Fact

Students have flexibility in how they use the scholarship, and can earn more than one degree like earning an associate degree before completing a bachelor's degree. A bachelor's degree is the highest degree a student can earn using College Bound.



