



How to access College Bound funds

College Bound is a state financial aid program that helps eligible students pay for education after high school. It can help pay for average tuition (at public college rates), some fees, and a small amount for books. It's important to understand how the program works and what steps you need to take to receive College Bound funds.

Steps to get College Bound funds:



What you need to do:

- Meet the [College Bound program requirements](#).
- » [Complete the FAFSA or WASFA](#) your senior year in high school and every year you're in college or technical school. List all colleges you may attend on your financial aid application. At least three colleges are recommended.
- Enroll in a college or career school within one year after high school graduation.
- Attend one of over [60 eligible schools in Washington](#).

Note: Each school has its own financial aid deadlines that you must follow.

What happens next?



College Bound staff will:

- Match your financial aid application to your College Bound application.
- Let the WA colleges you listed on your FAFSA or WASFA know you're a College Bound student.

Your college will:

- Use your FAFSA or WASFA to check your income eligibility each year to make sure you qualify.
- Add up all the financial aid you can get, including College Bound and the [Washington College Grant](#), if you are eligible.
- Send you a financial aid award offer showing how much financial aid you will receive.

Note: For help with your financial aid award, eligibility, or the process, contact your college's financial aid office.

How much will you get? The amount you receive depends on:

- Your family's income (from your FAFSA or WASFA).
- The type of college or technical school you attend.
- Whether you attend full-time or part-time.

Note: If you get other state financial aid like the Washington College Grant (WA Grant), your College Bound amount may be smaller, or you may not receive it at all. But don't worry, you'll still get the state financial aid you qualify for. Other financial aid (like Pell Grants, scholarships, work-study, and loans) may help with extra costs. The only way to find out what you qualify for is to apply for financial aid.

Have questions?

To check if you're enrolled in College Bound:

Email: collegebound@wsac.wa.gov.

Phone: 888-535-0747, option 1.



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