What is College Bound?

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Middle school students: Are you interested in health care? Construction? Video game design? Running a business? Whatever your career goals, College Bound can help you attend and pay for the school that is right for you! College Bound is an early commitment of state financial aid, like Washington College Grant, to eligible students who fulfill the College Bound pledge. College Bound covers average tuition (at public college rates), fees, and a small amount for books. at over 65 colleges, universities, and technical schools in Washington. Are you College Bound?

Am I eligible?

Students who meet one of the following requirements are automatically enrolled in the College Bound program:

- You are in public school and are signed up for free and reduced-price lunch (FRPL) in 7th, 8th, or newly eligible in 9th grade.
- You are in state foster care, or a dependent of the state, between 7th grade and high school graduation.

2023-24 income guidelines

Annual Income ¹	Monthly income	Weekly Income
\$36,482	\$3,041	\$702
\$45,991	\$3,833	\$885
\$55,500	\$4,625	\$1,068
\$65,009	\$5,418	\$1,251
\$74,518	\$6,210	\$1,434
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\$9,509	\$793	\$183
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¹ Household income must be less than or equal to this amount. ² For each additional household member add dollar amount.

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Other ways to qualify

Some students do not fit into either scenario but are interested in applying for College Bound. Contact the program to apply if you:

- Attend a private school or homeschool program in Washington and meet the income requirements.
- Are in another type of foster care and not eligible for FRPL.

If you qualify for FRPL, sign up at your school and you'll automatically be enrolled in College Bound!

What is the pledge?

• Graduate from a Washington high school or home school program with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher if you plan to attend a four-year college directly after high school.

There is no high school GPA requirement if you plan to attend a community college or technical school.

- Apply for financial aid with the FAFSA or WASFA in your senior year of high school and every year during college or training.
- Have no felony convictions.

How do I know if I am a College Bound student?

You will get a College Bound certificate in the mail. If you move or change your contact info, be sure to keep us updated so you receive important info and updates.

How will I receive College Bound money?

- Fulfill the pledge requirements and meet state residency requirements.
- File a financial aid application in your senior year of high school and every year in college. Your college will determine if you meet the income requirement.
- Be accepted to and attend an eligible school—there are over 65!
- Be in good standing at your college.

College Bound is a state funded program administered by the Washington Student Achievement Council.