Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year!

North Carolina's Opportunity Scholarship Program

How registered schools can best support their scholarship families

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Helpful Hints for Zoom

Slides & *Recording* will be posted at [Webinars and Videos – 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 NPS@ncseaa.edu to ask questions about specific information.

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.

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Need to Reach Us?

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Provide Program Staff with as much information as possible in the email!

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Renewal Students

Eligible renewal students receive scholarship priority for the 2024-2025 school year

Early February

Did the student attend your school and use scholarship funding during the Fall 2023 semester?
YES – the student will receive a renewal application in late January or early February.

Will the student begin attending your school during the Spring 2024 semester?
YES – certification/endorsement/disbursement must be completed first before a renewal application is assigned to the student's MyPortal record as a task. *(timing could vary per student)*

Important Tips:

- ✓ Remind your parents of their deadline to accept or decline their renewal offer. **Deadline = July 1st**

- ✓ The renewal application will ask parents to answer eligibility questions to remain eligible in the K12 Programs.

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New Student Opportunity Scholarship Application

The Opportunity Scholarship application will open on Thursday, February 1, 2024, for new student applicants

How schools can help their prospective families

DO:

- Encourage parents to apply by **March 1ˢᵗ**

- Give parents access to a school computer so they can log in to MyPortal

- Have a discussion with your prospective families about their financial responsibilities outside of the scholarship amount

- Encourage your parents to check their MyPortal notifications and To-Do List weekly. Deadlines are important

- Remind your parents that your admissions process is separate from applying for scholarship funding. Parents should secure enrollment first.

DON'T:

- Create a MyPortal parent account for any enrolled students, nor apply on their behalf

- Ask your parents for their MyPortal login credentials

- Charge your scholarship families for tuition in the Spring, that would otherwise be covered by the scholarship

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Household Income & Award Tiers

Household Income Chart

Scholarships are awarded based on a family's household income

Reminders:

✓ Parents will determine how many people are in their household.

✓ Find their maximum earned income for 2023

✓ Find the column that matches the number of people in their household and their income. That's their Award Tier!

HOW DO I FIND MY AWARD TIER?

① How many people are in your household?

② Find your maximum income from 2023

③ Find the column that matches the number of people in your household and your income. That's your award tier!

Maximum Household Gross Income 2023				
Number in Household	Award Tier 1 Maximum Income to receive $7,213 up to the cost of tuition and fees	Award Tier 2 Maximum Income to receive $6,492 up to the cost of tuition and fees	Award Tier 3 Maximum Income to receive $4,328 up to the cost of tuition and fees	Award Tier 4 Income Not Reported, or Income Above Tier 3 maximum Receives $3,246 up to the cost of tuition and fees
2	$36,482	$72,964	$164,169	(No income limit)
3	$45,991	$91,982	$206,960	
4	$55,500	$111,000	$249,750	
5	$65,009	$130,018	$292,541	
6	$74,518	$149,036	$335,331	
7	$84,027	$168,054	$378,122	
8	$93,536	$187,072	$420,912	
9	$103,045	$206,090	$463,703	
10	$112,554	$225,108	$506,493	
11	$122,063	$244,126	$549,284	
12	$131,572	$263,144	$592,074	

This chart shows estimated income guidelines and award amounts and will be updated in late January 2024. Families should use these guidelines only to estimate their award amount.

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We encourage our registered schools to have a discussion with their scholarship families early during the admissions process about the family's financial obligations outside of scholarship funding.

Remember, the Opportunity Scholarship will only fund <mark>up to</mark> the amount listed in the student's Award Tier.

If the cost of tuition is HIGHER than the amount of a student's Award Tier,
your families are responsible for the remaining balance to the school

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Awarding Process

Check MyPortal for Notifications

Early April

Parents should check MyPortal regularly for an award offer or waitlist notification. If their student receives an award offer, they will have a deadline to accept or decline their student's award in MyPortal.

If the number of eligible applications exceeds the amount of funds available, students will be added to a waitlist to fill slots that may become available at a later date.

Reminders:

✓ Scholarships are awarded **_per student_**, not per household. Parents should regularly check each student's record in MyPortal for required tasks that must be completed.

✓ Remind your parents to keep their most updated email address stored in MyPortal

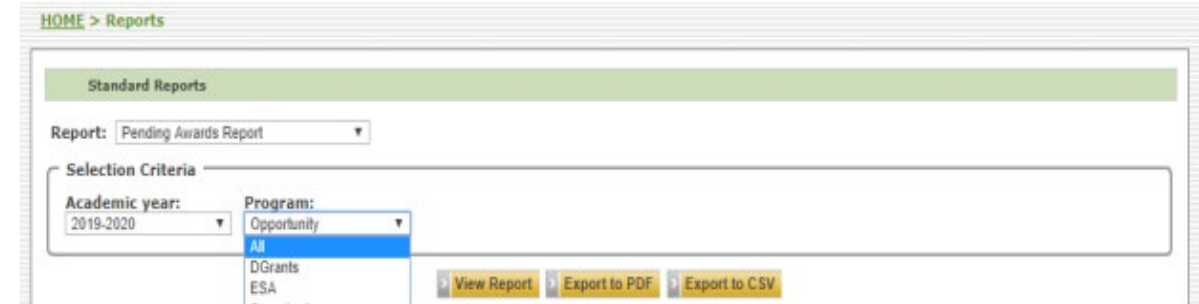**NCSEAA**

Pending Awards Report

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A student who selected your school in MyPortal has received an Opportunity Scholarship award offer. Now what?

Use your **Pending Awards Report** to:

- ✓ Review who has chosen your school for managing your enrollment.
- ✓ Review each student's Award Tier information for financial/bookkeeping purposes.
- ✓ Keep track of who you should NOT be collecting tuition funds from in the Spring, for the following year, that would otherwise be covered by the scholarship.
- ✓ Remind current parents to renew their scholarship for the upcoming year.

- The Pending Awards information is on a **REPORT**

- Available as early as **February (*renewals*)** and between **April-July (*new students*)**

Reports
Standard Reports

HOME > Reports

Standard Reports

Report: Pending Awards Report ▼

Selection Criteria

Academic year: 2019-2020 ▼   Program: Opportunity ▼
All
DGrants
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View Report   Export to PDF   Export to CSV

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Deadlines

Parent must complete required tasks in MyPortal

Mid-April - - July

Opportunity Scholarship funding is subject to verification for income & residency.

If a household is selected for income or residency verification, we have [resources](#) to help the family complete the process.

Tips:

✓ Remind your parents that they should check their MyPortal To-Do List & Notifications weekly

✓ Remind your parents that deadlines matter. Required tasks must be completed on time

✓ Help your parents access computers & scanners at your school when uploading documents for a required task

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Dates to remember

Early February
Renewal applications will be sent to current (eligible) students

February 1 – March 1
New student scholarship applications must be submitted

Late March or Early April
Opportunity Scholarship Award Offers will be made. Those not awarded will be provided a waitlist number.
*Remind your parents to accept or decline their award offer by the deadline!

May-July
Waitlisted families may be offered a scholarship award. Income Verification & Residency Verification must be completed.

July 1st
Renewal students must accept or decline their renewal award offer.
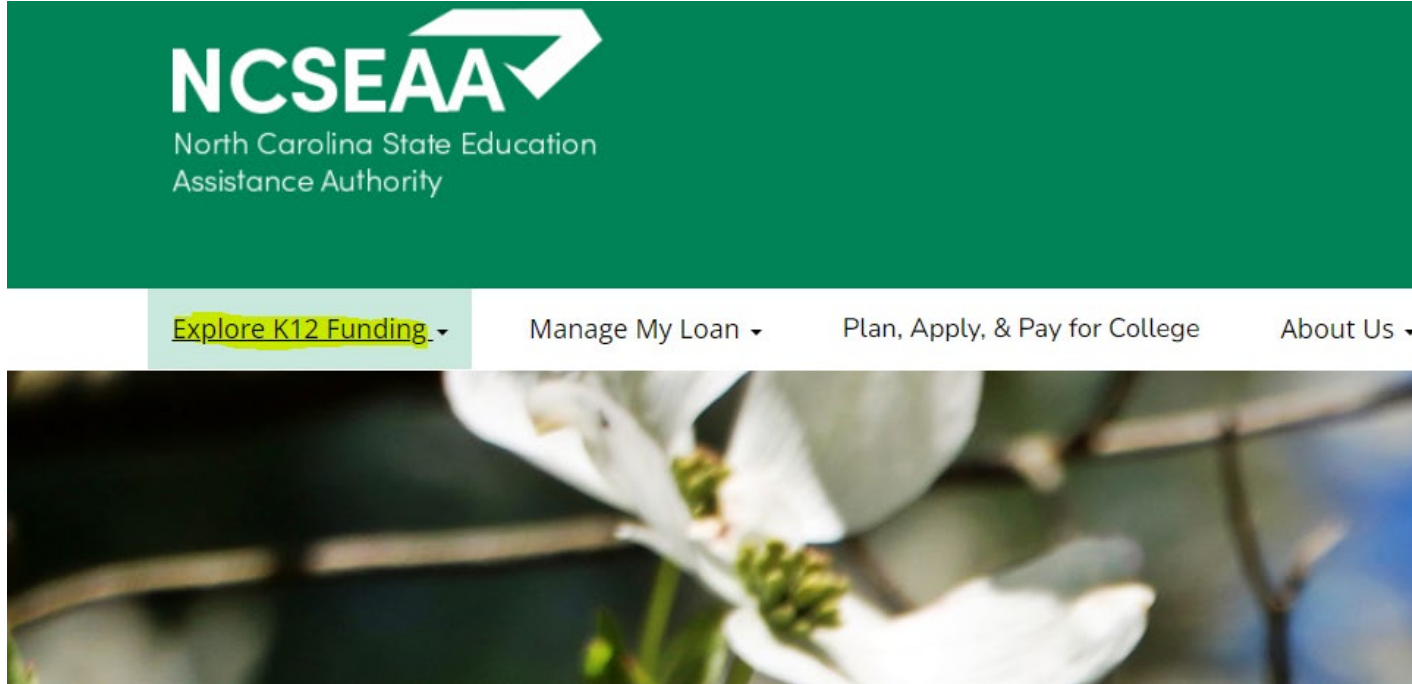
August 1st
To avoid payment delays, a student's School Choice should be selected in MyPortal

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Online Resources

Helpful Online Resources

www.ncseaa.edu

Explore K12 Funding

Opportunity Scholarship

Payment Timeline

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August : Certification *(schools do this)*

August / September: Endorsement and Payment to Schools (FALL)

January / February: Endorsement and Payment to Schools (SPRING)

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What other information can we provide?

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

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