

# What is the College Bound Scholarship?

The College Bound Scholarship is an early commitment of state financial aid to eligible students who sign up in middle school and fulfill the College Bound pledge. It combines with other state financial aid to cover average tuition (at public college rates), some fees, and a small book allowance at over 60 institutions in Washington.

## What is the pledge?

In middle school, College Bound students promise to:

- ▶ Graduate from a Washington State high school or home school with a cumulative 2.0 GPA or higher.
- ▶ Submit a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) or WASFA (Washington Application for State Financial Aid) as soon after October 1 as possible in your senior year of high school.
- ▶ Have no felony convictions.

## 2018-19 Median Family Income (MFI)

| Household Size | Annual Income* |
|----------------|----------------|
| 1              | \$30,000       |
| 2              | \$39,000       |
| 3              | \$48,000       |
| 4              | \$57,000       |
| 5              | \$65,500       |
| 6              | \$75,500       |
| 7              | \$77,500       |
| 8              | \$79,000       |

\*Household income must be less than or equal to this amount.

## What do I need to do to get College Bound?

- ▶ Meet the College Bound Pledge requirements.
- ▶ Enroll in college within a year of completing your high school diploma.
- ▶ Stay in good standing at your college so you can receive financial aid.
- ▶ Apply for financial aid every year you are in college.
- ▶ Your family's income meets the requirements on the adjacent Median Family Income (MFI) chart.

## What does College Bound need from me?

- ▶ Make sure College Bound has your current contact information.
- ▶ Check with your high school counselor to make sure you're on track to meet the pledge requirements.
- ▶ Prepare for your college search by looking through the list of eligible schools on the College Bound website at [bit.do/cbseligiblecolleges](http://bit.do/cbseligiblecolleges).

## What else should I know?

At eligible colleges, the College Bound commitment will cover tuition (at public college rates), as well as some fees and a small book allowance.

Your college will determine your financial aid award and College Bound eligibility. Make sure you check in with the financial aid office at your college.

## The College Bound Scholarship

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

For more information about the program and about other financial aid options in Washington, visit [www.readysetgrad.org](http://www.readysetgrad.org), or contact us by email at [collegebound@wsac.wa.gov](mailto:collegebound@wsac.wa.gov), or by phone at 888-535-0747, option 1.

