# **North Carolina Opportunity Scholarship**

Opportunity Scholarship - NCSEAA https://www.ncseaa.edu/k12/opportunity/

## What is the Opportunity Scholarship?

The Opportunity Scholarship program was created by the North Carolina General Assembly in 2013. Scholarships are awarded based on a family's household income and can be used to pay the required tuition and fees to attend an eligible private school. *Parents interested in applying for one of the K12 Programs should select a school choice of Unknown if their desired school is in the process of registering with the programs. School choice can be updated at a later date.* 

## Who may apply?

Parents of any North Carolina student entering kindergarten through 12th grade.

What are the eligibility requirements?

Students must meet the following <u>requirements</u> to be eligible for the Opportunity Scholarship:

- At least 5 years old by August 31 or at least 4 years old by April 16 and approved for Kindergarten according to <u>State guidelines</u>
- Lives in North Carolina
- Has not graduated from high school
- Has not enrolled in a post-secondary institution full-time

Note: Scholarship amount is determined by <u>household income</u>

#### **How Much is the Scholarship?**

Scholarships range from approximately \$3,000 to \$7,000 and are based on a family's <u>household income</u>. Scholarships can be used to pay the required tuition and fees to attend an eligible private school.

• Families may be responsible for other specific fees charged by the school and for any difference between the scholarship amount and the amount to attend school.

## Is My Student Guaranteed a Scholarship?

Due to expanded eligibility requirements, we expect to receive a higher number of applications than in previous years. 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.

#### Questions?

OpportunityScholarships@ncseaa.edu 1-855-330-3955 (K12 Program staff toll-free) SEAA K12 Applications: Special Extended Customer Service Hours, February 1-4, 2024 Have a question about applying for the ESA+ or Opportunity Scholarship programs? Our customer service representatives will be available extended hours February 1-4, 2024 to answer your questions:

Thursday, February 1: 8am – 8pm Friday, February 2: 8am – 5pm Saturday, February 3: 9am – 12pm Sunday, February 4: 12 – 3pm

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