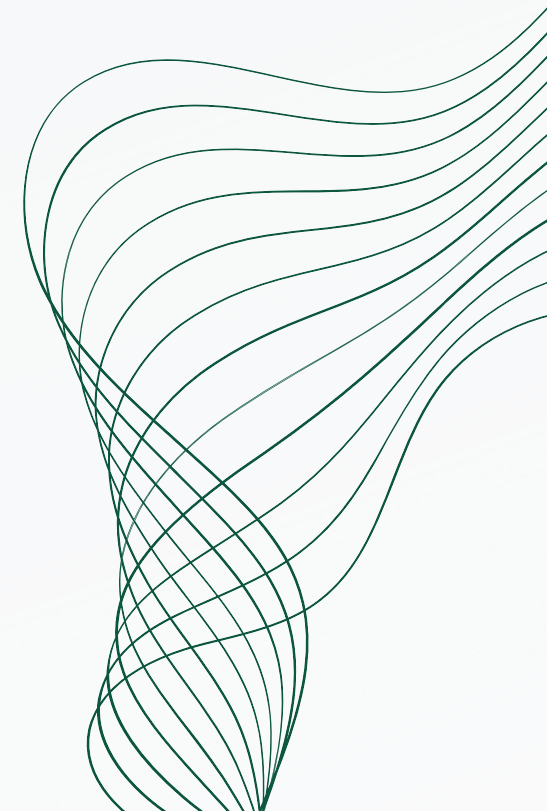




OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM OVERVIEW

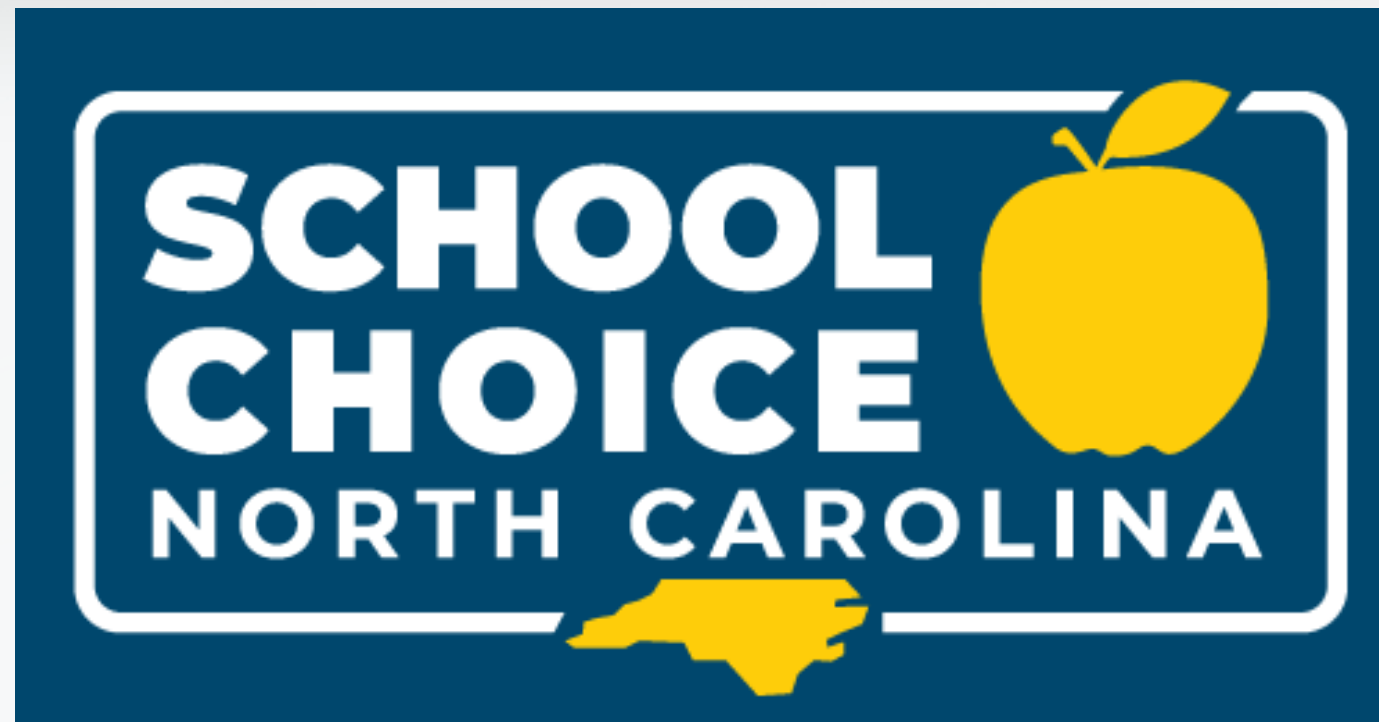


ABOUT



The North Carolina Opportunity Scholarship Program (OSP) was born out of the ideology that families in our state should have access to the school that best fits their child's needs, regardless of their zip code or income. Established by the North Carolina General Assembly in 2013, OSP has now served thousands of families and students from across North Carolina.

Previously, scholarships have been awarded based on a family's household income, and prior public school enrollment, to be used to pay the required tuition and fees to attend an eligible private school. Since 2013 there have been 25,568 recipients of the Opportunity Scholarship Program.



VIDEO

CHANGES FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR INCLUDE:

1

Removal of the income cap for families to receive the scholarship; now all North Carolina students in kindergarten through 12th grade will be eligible for the Scholarship regardless of income.

2

Prior public school enrollment is no longer a requirement for eligibility for the scholarship.

3

A student's scholarship amount will be based on household income.

4

Scholarship amounts will range from approximately \$3,000 to approximately \$7,000.

5

For the 2024-2025 school year - 191 million OSP dollars total available for new and renewal students

6

For the 2025-2026 school year - 415 million OSP dollars available for new and renewal students

7

An additional \$15M to be added each year through 2032-33



ESTIMATED INCOME GUIDELINES AND AWARD AMOUNTS

Lower income
=
higher
scholarship
amount



2024-25
guidelines
will be
updated in
late January
2024



The following
chart shows
estimated
income
guidelines and
award amounts.

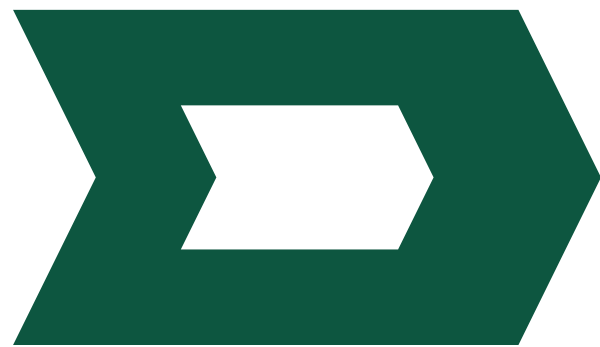


Opportunity Scholarship Household Income Guidelines 2024-2025

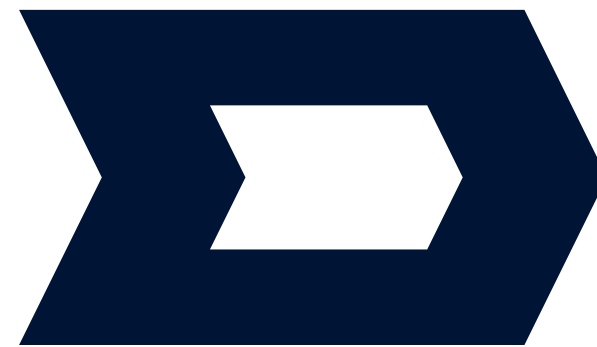
	Maximum Household Gross Income 2023				
Number in Household	<i>Award Tier 1</i> Maximum Income to receive \$7,468 up to the cost of tuition and fees	<i>Award Tier 2</i> Maximum Income to receive \$6,722 up to the cost of tuition and fees	<i>Award Tier 3</i> Maximum Income to receive \$4,480 up to the cost of tuition and fees	<i>Award Tier 4</i> Income Not Reported, or Income Above Tier 3 maximum Receives \$3,360 up to the cost of tuition and fees	
2	\$37,814	\$75,628	\$170,163	(No income limit)	
3	\$47,767	\$95,534	\$214,952		
4	\$57,720	\$115,440	\$259,740		Order of Awarding Renewals (students who received 2023 - 2024 funding) will be considered first for 2024 - 2025 awards. Eligible new student applications submitted between February 1 – March 1 will be awarded based on household income, starting with Award Tier 1. Scholarships will be offered to families in Award Tiers 2 - 4 to the extent funds remain available. If the number of eligible applications exceeds the amount of funds available, a waitlist will be established to fill slots that may become available at a later date.
5	\$67,673	\$135,346	\$304,529		
6	\$77,626	\$155,252	\$349,317		
7	\$87,579	\$175,158	\$394,106		
8	\$97,532	\$195,064	\$438,894		
9	\$107,485	\$214,970	\$483,683		
10	\$117,438	\$234,876	\$528,471		
11	\$127,391	\$254,782	\$573,260		
12	\$137,344	\$274,688	\$618,048		

How do you determine your household size and income? Click [here](#).

ORDER OF AWARDING OSP DOLLARS

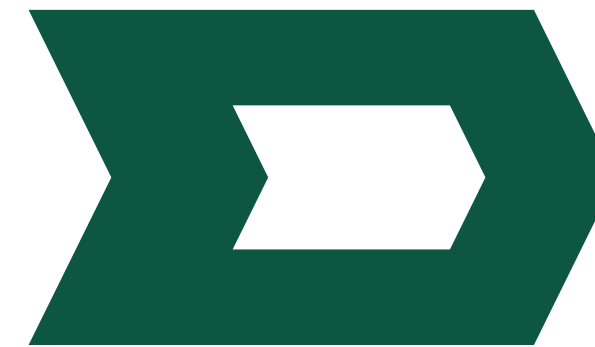


First group of students to be awarded:
Renewals



New student applications submitted February 1 - March 1 will be awarded in the order below:

- Tier 1
- Tier 2
- Tier 3
- Tier 4



Additional students may be awarded in the order of application submission after the groups above.



After March 1, applications are considered on a first-come, first-served basis, if monies are still available.



WHAT IS REQUIRED OF THE SCHOOL IF THEY ACCEPT OSP STUDENTS?

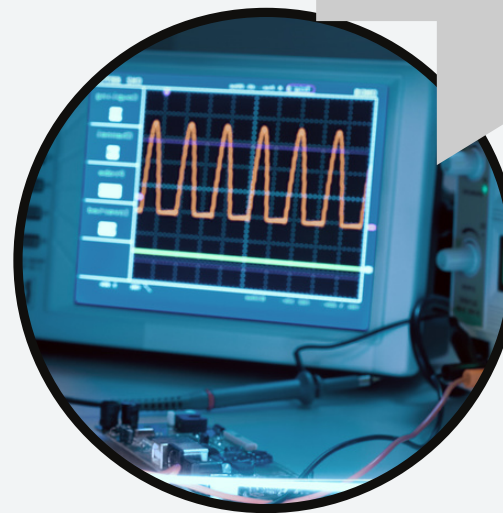
Students in grades 3-12 must take a nationally standardized test



Grades 3 and 8 must take a nationally standardized test assigned by the state



Students in grade 11 must take the ACT



OSP - WHAT IT IS NOT

01

A SCHOLARSHIP AUTOMATICALLY PROVIDED TO ALL STUDENTS

02

FUNDED ADEQUATELY TO COVER ALL NC STUDENTS

03

DOES NOT IMPACT HPCA'S ADMISSIONS STANDARDS OR POLICIES



NCSEAA ADMINISTERS THE PROGRAM



- Manages the application and award process.
- Ensures the school meets program requirements.
- Verifies each student's eligibility.
- Disburses Opportunity Scholarship funds directly to the school.
- The HPCA Finance Office cannot answer questions about your OSP applications.



WHAT WILL YOU NEED BEFORE APPLYING?

01

PARENT'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (ONLY ONE PARENT
CAN BE LISTED IN THE MYPORTAL OSP ACCOUNT)

02

STUDENT'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

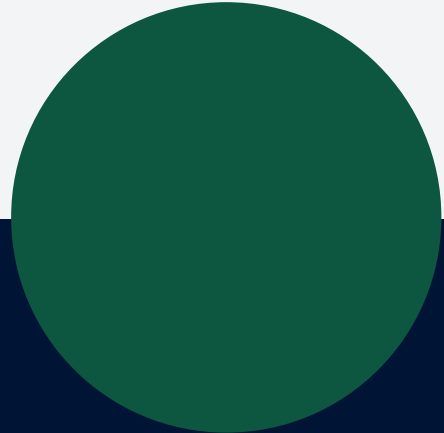
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PARENT'S DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER

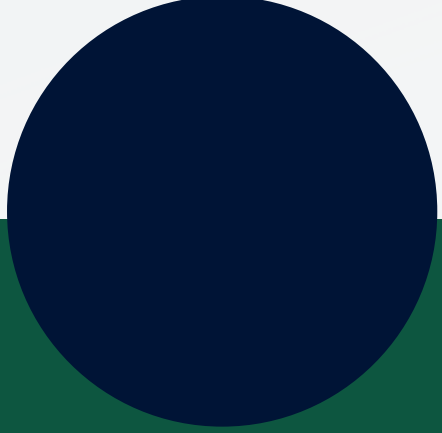
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ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME FOR TAX YEAR 2023

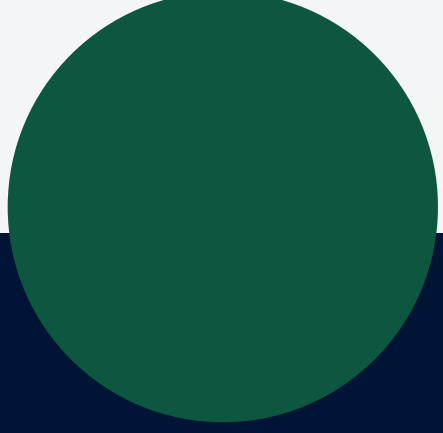
HOW WILL I KNOW IF WE RECEIVED THE OSP?



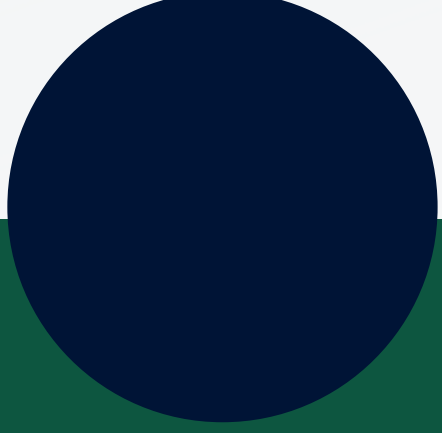
Early April Check
MyPortal
regularly for an
award offer or
waitlist
notification.



If your student
receives an award
offer, you will have
a deadline to
accept or decline
your 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.



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.

WHAT HAPPENS IF I AM ALREADY RECEIVING FINANCIAL AID FROM HPCA?



You will need
to re-apply for
any HPCA
Financial Aid
yearly.



Financial Aid will
be awarded
based on the
policy for the
current school
year.



If financial aid is
awarded, and
then the family
also receives OSP,
the HPCA
financial aid
amount will be
adjusted.



When applying
for HPCA
Financial Aid, all
2023 tax
documents
must be
completed.



WHAT'S NEXT?

FEBRUARY 1 - MARCH 1, 2024

New Student OSP Application: www.NCSEAA.edu

- K12 Grants
- Opportunity Scholarships

Renewing Student Application: <https://myportal.ncseaa.edu>

- The parent must complete a separate renewal process for each renewing student.

February 1 – March 1

Add student(s) to your MyPortal parent account and complete your application(s). Submit a separate application for each student and enter the same household size and income for each student.



QUESTIONS?

EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS@HPCACOUGARS.ORG

