

## Michigan Community College Guarantee

The Michigan Achievement Scholarship is designed to help students pursue their dreams, goals, and aspirations in the Mitten State! Graduating high school seniors are eligible to earn a skill certificate or degree at their local community college tuition-free just by filling out the new and simplified FAFSA.



Beginning Fall 2024, students from the Class of 2023 and beyond may be eligible for the Community College Guarantee, which includes:

- In-district tuition, contact hours, and mandatory fees.
- An additional \$1,000 Michigan Achievement Bonus award for Pell-eligible students, which can be used toward additional college costs.

[Fill out the FAFSA](#)

### Eligibility Criteria

All recent Michigan high school graduates are eligible! Here's how to claim your award and enroll at a Community College or Tribal College:

- Complete the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#).
- Be a Michigan resident since July 1 of the previous calendar year.
  - If you're a dependent student, your parent(s) must also be a Michigan resident since July 1 of the previous calendar year.
  - We'll confirm this based on your FAFSA.
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or approved refugee.
- Graduate from a Michigan high school.
  - You're eligible if you earn a diploma or certificate of completion.
  - You're also eligible if you earned a high school equivalency certificate in 2023 or after.
- Enroll in college. You must be:
  - Enrolled full time. Your college will confirm how many credits are needed to be full time.
  - Be an undergraduate student.
  - Enrolled within 15 months of your high school graduation.
    - Class of 2023 spring graduates: Must enroll by Fall semester 2024.
    - Class of 2024 spring graduates: Must enroll by Fall semester 2025.
    - If you graduated at a different time of year, and are concerned about initiating in time, contact your schools financial aid office.

Reminder: Students choosing the Community College pathway do not need to meet the Student Aid Index criteria previously established for the Michigan Achievement Scholarship – that means there are no income requirements.