



## FosterEd

Higher Education Support for Foster Youth (SB 22-008) requires that all public higher education institutions provide Colorado resident students who meet the eligibility criteria with financial assistance for the remaining balance of the student's total cost of attendance over the amount of any private, state, or federal financial assistance received by the student.

### Eligibility Criteria

- Current Colorado resident;
- Was in foster care from age 13+ in Colorado or in non-certified kinship care from age 13+ in Colorado and was, at any time, adjudicated neglected or dependent pursuant to Article 3 of Title 19;
- Attending a state public institution of higher education, local district college, or area technical college;
- Currently enrolled in courses leading toward a certificate of completion, associate, bachelor's, or postgraduate degree and in satisfactory academic standing as defined by the institution of attendance;
- Completed the FAFSA or CASFA; and
- Completed the Education and Training Voucher (ETV) application, if eligible.

\* FosterEd will cover up to 132 semester credit hours or 198 quarter credit hours starting from the time you join this program. Credits earned prior to joining this program will not count towards the credit limit.

\* Please note, there is no age limit on this program.

### Cost of Attendance

This program covers the full cost of attendance at eligible Colorado institutions. The full cost of attendance varies from institution to institution, but will cover tuition, fees, reasonable living expenses (on and off campus), books, and other school-related expenses.

### How to Apply

1. Obtain Confirmation of Foster Care Experience form.
2. Complete either the FAFSA or CASFA for the appropriate school year.
3. Complete the ETV application, if eligible.
4. Complete a [FERPA Consent Form](#).
5. Contact the FosterEd Liaison at the institution the student plans to attend to self-identify as eligible for the program. The liaison will require proof of foster care experience, proof that the student successfully submitted their ETV application (if eligible), and a copy of the completed FERPA Consent Form.

\*For questions, students, please contact [fcnavigator@dhe.state.co.us](mailto:fcnavigator@dhe.state.co.us)

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