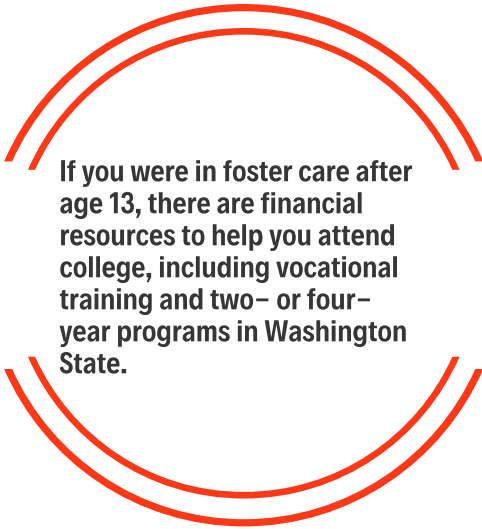


# INFORMATION FOR YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE



If you were in foster care after age 13, there are financial resources to help you attend college, including vocational training and two- or four-year programs in Washington State.

## COLLEGE PREPARATION PROGRAMS

- **Supplemental Education Transition Planning Program (SETuP):** SETuP offers information on post-high school education and training for you and your foster family.
- **Extended Foster Care Program:** At 18, you can voluntarily continue receiving foster care services while completing high school or a post-high school program or participating in employment-focused activities.

## FOSTER CARE-SPECIFIC FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS

**College Bound Scholarship:** A state-funded program by the Washington Student Achievement Council that provides financial aid for education after high school, covering college tuition, fees, and some expenses for books. Automatically enrolled if you've been in foster care from grade 7 to age 21. Must complete FAFSA or WASFA starting your senior year.

**Passport to Careers Program:** This scholarship supports youth in foster care in Washington as they pursue success in college or apprenticeships, offering financial aid for tuition and living expenses for up to five years at approved institutions. Provides guidance from counselors and special consideration for additional state aid.

**Education and Training Voucher (ETV) Program:** A national program that provides financial assistance to eligible youth for attending approved colleges or vocational schools, covering various expenses such as tuition, housing, and other educational costs. Funding is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Washington State Governors' Scholarship for Foster Youth:** Assists foster youth in pursuing college degrees with varying amounts based on the college. The scholarship is renewable annually if the student is enrolled full-time and maintains satisfactory grades.

For more information on these programs and their eligibility requirements, please visit [gearup.wa.gov](http://gearup.wa.gov) or [dcyf.wa.gov](http://dcyf.wa.gov).

