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# OKLAHOMA'S<sup>®</sup> PROMISE

OKLAHOMA HIGHER LEARNING ACCESS PROGRAM

## WHO MAY APPLY

Applicants must be:

- Oklahoma residents.
- 8<sup>th</sup>-, 9<sup>th</sup>- or 10<sup>th</sup>-grade students (homeschool students must be age 13, 14 or 15).
- Students whose parents' federal adjusted gross income does not exceed \$55,000.\*
- Students who promise to meet the requirements of the program.

\*Special income provisions may apply to:

- Children adopted from certain court-ordered custody and children in the custody of court-appointed legal guardians.
- Families receiving Social Security benefits based on the disability or death of the student's parents.

Contact the Oklahoma's Promise office for more information.

*Additional documentation may be required.*

## HOW TO APPLY:

Online at [www.okpromise.org](http://www.okpromise.org) or get an application from your counselor.

## THE PROMISE

Upon completion of the program's requirements, you will earn:

- Tuition at an Oklahoma public two-year college or four-year university.
- OR-
- A portion of tuition at an accredited Oklahoma private college or university.
- OR-
- A portion of tuition for programs that qualify for federal financial aid at public career technology centers.

(The Oklahoma's Promise scholarship amount does not cover fees, books, supplies, or room and board.)

## GET MORE INFO:

[www.okpromise.org](http://www.okpromise.org)

[okpromise@osrhe.edu](mailto:okpromise@osrhe.edu)

(800) 858-1840 or (405) 225-9152

Ask your counselor.

Find us on





## HIGH SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

- Graduate from an Oklahoma high school or homeschool education program.
- Take the 17 units of college prep high school courses (listed at the right) and achieve at least a 2.50 cumulative GPA in those courses.
- Achieve at least a 2.50 cumulative GPA for all courses in grades 9-12.
- Attend school regularly and do your homework.
- Stay away from drugs and alcohol.
- Don't commit criminal or delinquent acts.
- Provide information when requested.
- Meet with a school official to go over your school work and records on a regular basis.
- Apply for other financial aid during your senior year of high school.
- Take part in Oklahoma's Promise activities that will prepare you for college.

If you don't qualify for this program, see your counselor for information about additional scholarships, grants and student loans, and visit Oklahoma higher education's college planning website at [www.OKcollegestart.org](http://www.OKcollegestart.org).

## COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

- Prior to receiving any program benefit in college, the federal adjusted gross income (AGI) of the student's parents may not exceed \$100,000. Each year in college, Oklahoma's Promise students will be required to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which will be used to determine whether the federal adjusted gross income exceeds \$100,000. For any year that the income exceeds \$100,000, the student will not be eligible to receive the program benefit.
- You must be an Oklahoma resident.
- You must be a U.S. citizen or lawfully present in the United States.
- You must meet regular admission standards for first-time entering students at the college or university to which you apply.
- You must start taking college courses within three years after you graduate high school.\*
- You may not use the award for noncredit remedial courses.
- You may not receive awards for more than five consecutive years after enrolling in college.\*
- You may not use the award for courses taken after you complete your bachelor's degree requirements.
- You may not receive award payments for more than 129 semester credit hours, unless your degree program requires more hours.
- You must meet the college's Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) policy requirements for eligibility to receive federal financial aid.
- An Oklahoma's Promise college student who is suspended for more than one semester for conduct reasons will lose the scholarship permanently.

\*Students on active military duty may be eligible for certain waivers of these requirements.

## REQUIRED COURSES\*\*

**4 ENGLISH** (grammar, composition, literature; courses should include an integrated writing component)

**3 LAB SCIENCE** (biology, chemistry, physics or any lab science certified by the school district; general science with or without a lab may not be used to meet this requirement)

**3 MATHEMATICS** (from Algebra I, Algebra II, geometry, trigonometry, math analysis, pre-calculus, statistics and probability [must have completed geometry and Algebra II], calculus, Advanced Placement [AP] statistics)

**3 HISTORY AND CITIZENSHIP SKILLS** (including 1 unit of American history and 2 additional units from the subjects of history, economics, geography, government, non-Western culture)

**2 FOREIGN OR NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE** (two years of the same language)

...OR...

**COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY** (two units in programming, hardware or business computer applications, such as word processing, databases, spreadsheets and graphics, will qualify; keyboarding or typing classes do NOT qualify)

(1 foreign language and 1 computer course will NOT meet this requirement)

**1 ADDITIONAL COURSE** (from any of the subjects listed above)

**1 FINE ARTS** (music, art, drama)

...OR...

**SPEECH**

## 17 TOTAL UNITS

\*\*Homeschool students or students graduating from a high school not accredited by the Oklahoma State Board of Education must also achieve a composite score of 22 or higher on the ACT test reported on an official test report issued by ACT. "Residual" ACT test scores do not qualify.

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