



The Hope Scholarship v. The Promise Scholarship

- Available to parents of K-12 students in West Virginia to be used for their child's K-12 education.
 - Money can be spent on tuition, books, education therapies, tutoring, college credits, and other educational expenses.
 - No requirements are placed on a parent's income or a child's GPA. The eligibility requirements are simply that a child is under 21, resident of West Virginia, and was enrolled in a West Virginia public school for the previous school year.*
 - This program is publicly funded by the State. The money is taken out of the State's portion of the Education Budget.
 - The total amount per child per year is estimated to be \$4,600**
- Available to West Virginia high school graduates to pursue their college education at one of the state's public or independent two- or four-year institutions.
 - Money cannot be used for a student's K-12 education. The funds can only be used to cover college tuition and mandatory fees.
 - Students must achieve a high school cumulative grade point average of at least a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale to be eligible and must maintain a 2.75 during their college education to have their scholarship renewed.
 - This money is contingent upon annual renewal of the program by the State Legislature.
 - The total amount per student is \$4,750.

* Students may return to public school for a minimum of 45 calendar days in an instructional period to meet the attendance requirement. All students of kindergarten matriculation age are eligible for the Hope Scholarship regardless of prior school attendance.

**The Hope scholarship amount is subject to change based on the state's portion of the education funding formula.