

TN PROMISE VS HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

Use this chart to know the difference between the TN Promise Scholarship and the HOPE Scholarship and what steps you need to take to ensure you qualify!

WHAT IS IT?

HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

The HOPE Scholarship, also known as the Lottery Scholarship, is funded by the Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship Program.



TN PROMISE

Tennessee Promise is a financial aid program offering Tennessee high school graduates two years of tuition-free community or technical college.

It provides eligible students a lastdollar scholarship, meaning the scholarship will cover tuition and mandatory fees not covered by the Pell grant, the Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship (TELS), or the Tennessee Student Assistance Award (TSAA).

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

- 3.0 unweighted GPA OR 21 ACT
- Complete the FAFSA
- Have been Tennessee resident by 1 year of **September 1** of application date.
- Graduate from a TN eligible high school.
- Enroll in one of the Tennessee public colleges, universities, or private colleges. See website for details.

TN PROMISE

- No GPA or ACT requirements
- Complete TN Promise application by **Nov 1**
- File FAFSA application by **Jan 16**
- Attend mandatory meeting in the spring.
- Students must apply to and register for classes at an eligible college program prior to the beginning of classes.
- Complete and report 8 hours of community service by **July 1**

HOW TO APPLY

HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

Complete the FAFSA
Apply at www.fafsa.gov
Applications must be received by **September 1st** for (college) fall semester. Sooner the better!



TN PROMISE

Create a TSAC Account at
<http://www.tn.gov/collegepays/article/tsac-student-portal>

Next, you must re-enter your Username and Password and answer the challenge question. Once you have accepted the "User Agreement", click the "Apply for Scholarships" button and then click the appropriate scholarship program to complete and submit the online application.

HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

Four-Year Institutions:
Up to \$1,750 per full-time enrollment semester as a freshmen and sophomore; then up to \$2,250 per full-time enrollment semester as a junior and senior

Two-Year Institutions: Up to \$1,500 per full-time enrollment semester as a freshman and sophomore

HOW MUCH IS AWARDED?

TN PROMISE

Pays the remaining tuition and mandatory fees after Pell, TELS, and TSAA funds have been awarded. (a last dollar scholarship)

HOW CAN I LEARN MORE?

HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

<https://www.tn.gov/collegepays/article/tennessee-hope-scholarship>

TN PROMISE

<http://tnpromise.gov/index.shtml>



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