

2026–27 State Scholarship & Grant Quick Reference Guide

The Quick Reference Guide provides a brief overview of the general student eligibility criteria for state scholarship and grant programs as well as general state processing guidelines.

All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship

Students with financial need who attend college within two years of graduating high school.

- FAFSA and Iowa Financial Aid Application due April 1.
- Priority given to students in foster care, children of deceased public safety workers, participants in TRIO programs, students in alternative high schools/alternative programs, and GEAR UP students.
- SAI at or below 10,971.
- Enroll in 3 or more semester hours (or equivalent).
- Maximum award – \$5,486.

Education Training Voucher

Students who age out of foster care or were previously in foster care and legally adopted after age 16.

- FAFSA and Iowa Financial Aid Application due December 1.
- Enroll in 3 or more semester hours (or equivalent).
- Maximum award – \$5,000

Iowa National Guard Benefits

Students who are members of the Iowa Army National Guard or Air National Guard.

- FAFSA and Iowa Financial Aid Application required.
- Priority Deadline:
 - Fall Deadline – July 1.
 - Spring Deadline – December 1.
 - Summer Deadline – April 1.
- Apply for Federal Tuition Assistance (if applicable)
- Maximum award:
 - Service Scholarship (Undergraduate) – \$9,572.
 - STEM Master's Scholarship – \$11,804.
 - Professional Qualification Scholarship (Non-Title IV) – \$5,000.

Iowa Tuition Grant – Not for Profit

Students who attend a non-profit private university.

- FAFSA required – due July 1.
- SAI at or below 16,000.
- Enroll in 3 or more semester hours (or equivalent).
- Maximum award – \$7,500.

Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant

Students enrolled in career and technical education programs at community colleges or barber and cosmetology colleges.

- FAFSA required – due July 1.
- Enroll in 3 or more semester hours (or equivalent).
- SAI range of 201 to 6,800.
- Maximum award – \$1,100.
 - Award on a sliding scale based on SAI.

Kibbie Grant

Students enrolled in specified career and technical education programs at community colleges.

- FAFSA required – due July 1.
- Enroll in 3 or more semester hours (or equivalent).
- SAI at or below 6,000.
- Maximum award – \$3,100.
 - Award on a sliding scale based on SAI.

Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship

Students enrolled in high demand areas attending associate program or below.

- FAFSA required – due June 30, 2027.
- SAI at or below 30,000 (new recipients only)
- Enroll in 6 or more semester hours (or equivalent)
- Maximum award – Tuition and institution wide fees.

Future Ready Iowa Grant

Students enrolled in high demand areas in bachelors programs.

- FAFSA and Iowa Financial Aid Application required. – due July 1.
- Enroll in 6 or more semester hours (or equivalent)
- Maximum award – \$3,000.

Workforce Grant & Incentive Program

Students enrolled in high demand areas and attending the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, or University of Northern Iowa.

- FAFSA required. – due July 1.
- SAI at or below 7,000
- Enroll in 3 or more semester hours (or equivalent)
- Maximum award – \$2,250

Payment Terms and Deadlines

Term			Initial File Due	Final Updates Due
1	Fall	Semester/Quarter	October 15	December 1
2	Winter	Quarter	January 2	February 15
3	Spring	Semester/Quarter	February 15	May 1
4	Spring	Quarter	April 1	June 15
5	Late Spring	Semester	June 1	July 15
6	Summer	Semester/Quarter	June 15	July 31

Points Established by Enrollment Status

Enrollment Status	Credits	Semester Points	Quarter Points
Full-time (F)	12+	.5	.333
Three-quarter time (P)	9-11	.375	.25
Half-time (H)	6-8	.25	.167
Less-than-half-time (L)	3-5	.125	.083

Fund Short Name

Fund Name	Short Name
All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship	AIOS
Education & Training Voucher Program	ETV
Iowa Tuition Grant	ITG
Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant	IVTG
Kibbie Grant	KG
Iowa National Guard Service Scholarship	NGEAP
Iowa National Guard Master's Degree Scholarship	NGM
Iowa National Guard Professional Qualification Scholarship	NGQ
Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship	LDS
Future Ready Iowa Grant	FRG
Workforce Grant & Incentive Program	WG

For more detail, please refer to the 2026–27 Iowa Student Financial Aid Guide.