

Lottery Funds Scholarships – Frequently Asked Questions

When will I get my scholarship?

For the Fall semester, the money will usually be sent to the bursar in late November or early December. For the Spring semester, money is usually sent to the bursar in late April or early May. For the Summer semester, money will usually be sent to the bursar by late July or early August. *This scholarship is intended to be a reimbursement* – you will need to be prepared to pay your bill when it is due, to avoid late fees or having your account locked.

How much is the scholarship? Will it cover all my expenses?

The amount awarded to each applicant varies, depending on the amount of Lottery dollars we receive each year, the number of applications we receive each semester, and the number of credit hours being taken by the applicants. The amount awarded may or may not cover all of your tuition and fees charged. There is a maximum of 9 credit hours for each semester that will be considered.

If I don't get enough to completely pay for my courses this semester, can I file for more reimbursement for the same courses next semester?

No, you cannot apply for funds for past or future courses. All funds are awarded for the current semester.

I took classes last semester and did not apply for the scholarship (or I received a scholarship and it did not cover all of my tuition). Can I file for reimbursement now?

No, you cannot apply for funds for past or future courses, even if you did not apply at the time. Funds are only available for currently enrolled students who are taking courses during the current semester.

I am already enrolled for the semester after this one. Can I add my upcoming courses to my application?

No. If you are applying for the Summer semester, for example, and you are already enrolled for the Fall semester, you can only receive funds for Summer courses. When the Fall scholarship opens you can apply for reimbursement for your Fall courses.

How will the scholarship funds be sent to me?

The scholarship funds will be sent directly to your college/university bursar to be applied to your account. Please contact your bursar's office to find out how to get available funds released to you.

I made a mistake on my application – can I go back and fix it?

You cannot reopen your application and make changes once it has been submitted. If you need to make a correction, please email scholarshipgrants@careertech.ok.gov or call Kim Downey at 405.743.6831. It is very important you fill out the application completely and correctly or you will slow down the validating process.

Do I need to use my school email address?

Use an email address that you can access at any time during the year. Watch your email for questions from the Lottery Scholarship Committee during the validation process. If we have questions and we cannot contact you for clarification or verification, your application may be disqualified.

I don't teach at a Technology Center. Am I eligible for the scholarship?

This scholarship is intended to support CareerTech educators, including those who teach at Technology Centers, those who teach CareerTech programs in high school, junior high, or middle school, and other full-time CareerTech educators. Teachers in other schools (such as elementary schools) and teachers who teach non-CareerTech programs are not eligible.

I'm taking classes online. Am I eligible for the scholarship? Which campus should I select?

Yes, if your classes are delivered by a school located in Oklahoma and accredited by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (note that this does not include the University of Phoenix or Western Governors University). When filling out your scholarship application, you do not need to specify that you are taking online courses. If your school has more than one campus, select the campus associated with your courses, since that is where your payment will be directed. If you are not sure which campus to pick, please contact your school.

My school is not located in Oklahoma, but they charge in-state tuition to Oklahoma residents. Is it considered an Oklahoma school for this scholarship?

No. Your school must be located in Oklahoma and accredited by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (note that this does not include Pittsburg State University).

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