

Financial Aid—The Basics

What is financial aid? Any type of assistance used to pay college costs based on financial need.

Grants: Also called gift aid, grants don't have to be repaid and you don't need to work to earn them. Grant aid comes from federal and state governments and from individual colleges.

Loans: Nearly 60% of all financial aid comes in the form of loans that must be repaid. Most are low-interest loans sponsored by the federal government. Borrowers aren't charged interest until the repayment period that typically begins after graduation.

Work Study: This is a federal program that provides students with part-time employment to meet their financial needs—including books, supplies, and personal expenses.

Where do I apply for Financial Aid? Most financial aid is determined by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). FAFSA becomes available October of your senior year. It must be completed every year. FAFSA is completed at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

**EVERY STUDENT SHOULD
APPLY FOR FAFSA!**

- **Be proactive**—use time wisely, ask for help, prepare for tests, stay focused!
- **Communicate**—with teachers, counselors, parents. Be honest, stand up for yourself!
- **Get Involved**—join clubs, teams, etc. Go to school events, sit with new people at lunch.

GRIT
I AM A WARRIOR

A dream doesn't become reality through magic; it takes sweat, COMMITMENT and hard work.



Scholarships

A scholarship is a type of financial aid that does not have to be repaid. They are usually awarded on the basis of academic merit, talents, abilities, community service, or other characteristics or circumstances (e.g. group membership).

Where do I look for scholarships?

- The WHS Scholarship Bulletin is emailed monthly to your wstudent.net email account. You can also find it on the “What’s Up” page on the counseling website, and hard copies are available in the counseling center.
- Start with the college or university you plan to attend to find the types typically offered by a school—e.g. departmental, leadership, diversity, need-based. Most college websites will have financial aid or scholarship links.
- Other sites: UtahFutures.org, Fastweb.com, Tuitionfundingsources.com, Scholarships.com, parents’ employers

Scholarships for Utah Residents:

Centennial Scholarship: Tuition waivers are available for each term, up to a total of \$1000, if a student graduated high school one year prior to class graduation date.

New Century Scholarship: A maximum award of \$1,250 per semester is available to students who complete an associate degree with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better by the date they graduate from high school.

Regent’s Scholarship: Students who complete the Utah Scholars Core Course of Study during 9-12 and meet other requirements are eligible for awards at the “Base” or Exemplary” level.

More info about these scholarships can be found at: www.stepuputah.com



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Graduation Plan

Required Area	Credits	9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
English/Language Arts	4.0	English 9	English 10	English 11	Applied or Advanced
Math	3.0	Secondary Math 1	Secondary Math 2	Secondary Math 3	
Science	3.0	Earth Systems, Biology, Physics w/ Tech	Biology, Chemistry, Physics	1.0 Science Course	
Social Studies	3.0	Geography for Life (.50)	World Civilization	US History	US Gov. and Citizenship (.50)
Career and Technical Education (CTE)	1.0	CTE courses are offered at your school and at technical centers/ATC campuses in the following areas: Agriculture, Business, Family and Consumer Science, Health Science and Technology, Marketing, Skilled and Technical Science, Technology and Engineering			
Computer Technology	.5				
Fine Arts	1.5				
General Financial Literacy	.5	---	---		
Health 2	.5	---			
Physical Education	1.0				
PE Fit 4 Life	.5	---			
Electives (Student's choice based on interest, abilities, career goals, etc.)	8.5				
Total	27.0	7.0	8.0	8.0	8.0

✳ All students must pass a Civics test for graduation. Passed: YES NO

✳ No more than .75 attendance credit loss.

Attendance credit lost: _____ Make-up: _____

ACADEMIC MAKE UP:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

(Per .25 credit = APEX \$35, NLC \$50, TRAMS \$35)

WHAT SHOULD I REGISTER FOR NEXT YEAR?

1. _____ / _____
 2. _____ / _____
 3. _____ / _____
 4. _____ / _____
 5. _____ / _____
 6. _____ / _____
 7. _____ / _____
 8. _____ / _____
- TWO ALTERNATES: _____ / _____
- FLEX: _____

Registration for next year will be online. This will take place in January– February. Watch for an email when the registration window opens. Get your registration in early!

Set Goals with College and Career in Mind

To get serious about planning for school—both today and for your success in college and career—you need to have some goals in mind. **Goals make planning meaningful.**

What do you see yourself doing after high school: college, career and life?

What is your “dream” for YOUR future? Start with at least 3 ideas or goals.

1. Your college dream: _____
2. Your career dream: _____
3. Your life dream: _____

Begin by making your school experiences meaningful and productive, take charge! Take classes that prepare you to reach your goals—to give you marketable skills that lead to a job.