

PAYING FOR SCHOOL WORKSHEET

How much are tuition and fees per year?		+
How much will books and supplies cost?		+
Will I live away from home? If so, how much will housing cost?		+
What additional expenses will I have? For example, weekend money, club dues, personal expenses, transportation costs, and insurance.		+
Add all the above expenses to find out your Total Cost of Attendance (COA) per year.	1	
Do I have scholarships or grants? If so, how much will scholarships or grants pay?	2	
Total amount my parents and/or I will pay per year. (Box 1 - Box 2)	3	
How many years will I be in school?	4	
What is the total cost of attending school? (Box 1 x Box 4)		
What is the total cost my parents and/or I will pay? (Box 3 x Box 4)		

What are some options to cover my expenses?

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It takes money to go to school — a lot of money, but it is completely worth the investment. There are dozens of ways to pay for school, including some you probably haven't thought of. In fact, most students receive financial aid of some kind, which means they pay less out of their own pocket.

OKCIS is a starting point for your questions about paying for school. All the basics are covered, and there are links to more in-depth information. Understanding the financial aid process will help you get the most out of it — and get the most cash for your education.



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Paying for School Features

How much does school cost?

- Look up tuition and fees.
- Compare total cost of attendance (COA).

How do I pay for school?

- Financial Aid
- Savings 529 Plans
- Community Service
- Military
- Tax Credits and Deductions

How much will I have to pay?

- What is your financial need?
- Dependent and Independent Status

What is financial aid?

- Grants
- Loans
- Scholarships
- Work Study

How do I apply for financial aid?

- What is a PIN?
- How do I complete the FAFSA?
- What is an SAR?
- How does my school get my financial information?
- What is the difference between federal aid and scholarships?
- How do I find scholarships?

How do I receive my financial aid?

- Where does my financial aid go?

Interactive Features

School Search

- Compare school costs side by side.
- Look up average financial aid awards.
- Research tuition, fees, and other expenses.

Savings Plan Calculators

- Calculate how much you need to save for school.
- Compare 529 savings plans and taxable accounts.

Financial Aid Sort

- Find scholarships and grants for which you may qualify.

Request Information

- Use the interactive form to request financial aid information from schools.

Paying for School Checklist

- Start planning for financial aid as early as 9th grade.
- Use the checklist to help you stay on track with all the financial information.

Loan Repayments

- Find out how much it might cost to repay loans.

Develop a Resumé

- Use the resumé feature to create a great looking resumé you can use for financial award applications.

