

# Opportunity Scholarship Program

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Information for Parents and School Administrators

What is the  
Opportunity Scholarship  
Program?

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**Expands school choice for eligible students in kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.**

- Covers tuition and required fees at a participating nonpublic school.
- Awards up to \$2,100 per student per semester (\$4,200 per school year).

# NCSEAA administers the program.

- Manages the application and award process.
- Ensures the school meets program requirements.
- Verifies each student's eligibility.
- Disburses Opportunity Scholarship funds.

Which nonpublic schools  
participate in the program?

# Participating schools list

<http://www.ncseaa.edu/OSG.htm>

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### What is the Opportunity Scholarship Program?

The Opportunity Scholarship Program provides tuition assistance of up to \$4,200 per year for awarded students who enroll in a participating nonpublic school. [This program is income-based](#). For more information on eligibility requirements see the Prospective Students section below.

[Click here for application instructions](#) | [Click here to apply](#)

The new student application opens January 31, 2020. The Priority Window closes March 1, 2020. The application will remain open until August 31, 2020 for students to be considered for the full 2020-21 school year, as funds remain available.

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Renewal Students +



How do I know if my student  
is eligible to apply for  
a Scholarship?

# Eligibility Part 1

An eligible student meets all Part 1 requirements.

- is 5 years old on or before August 31
- lives in an eligible household
- has not graduated from high school
- is a resident of North Carolina
- has not been in college





# Eligibility Part 2

An eligible student meets **at least 1** Part 2 requirement.

- received an Opportunity Scholarship last year
- was a full-time student attending a NC public or charter school or Department of Defense school in NC last spring semester
- is entering kindergarten or 1st grade
- is in foster care or was adopted within the last year
- has a parent on full-time active duty with the military

What are the  
Household Income Guidelines?

# Household Income Eligibility Guidelines 2020-2021

\$4,200 Award Limit	Maximum Household Gross Income for 2019		
	# in Household	To receive full tuition up to \$4,200	To receive 90% of tuition
	2	\$31,894	\$42,419
	3	\$40,182	\$53,442
	4	\$48,470	\$64,465
	5	\$56,758	\$75,488
	6	\$65,046	\$86,511
	7	\$73,334	\$97,534
	8	\$81,622	\$108,557
	9	\$89,910	\$119,580
	10	\$98,198	\$130,603
	11	\$106,486	\$141,626
	12	\$114,774	\$152,649

*The Opportunity Scholarship will be for 90% of the required tuition and fees or \$4,200, whichever is less.*

[Household Income Worksheet](#)

# 3 Person Household



\$33,500



A \$3,800



B \$5,200

There are 3 people in my household, and our total household income in 2019 was \$33,500. I might want my student to attend *Nonpublic School A* where the required tuition and fees are \$3,800 a year, but I'm also considering *Nonpublic School B* where the required tuition and fees are \$5,200 a year. What are my options under the program?

## Your options

Since the total income for a 3 person household income is less than \$40,182, you are eligible for the full \$4,200 to apply towards tuition and required fees.

Nonpublic School A		Nonpublic School B	
Tuition	\$ 3,800	Tuition	\$ 5,200
Award	-- \$ 3,800	Max Award	-- \$ 4,200
<b>Your portion</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>Your portion</b>	<b>\$ 1,000</b>

Since the tuition and fees are less than \$4,200, The Opportunity Scholarship pays the entire amount.

The Opportunity Scholarship pays \$4,200 towards tuition and fees. You are responsible for the \$1,000 difference.

# 2 Person Household



\$33,500

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A \$3,800



B \$5,200

There are 2 people in my household, and our total household income in 2019 was \$33,500. I might want my student to attend *Nonpublic School A* where the required tuition and fees are \$3,800 a year, but I'm also considering *Nonpublic School B* where the required tuition and fees are \$5,200 a year. What are my options under the program?

## Your options

Since the total household income is less than \$42,419 but greater than \$31,894, you are eligible for 90% of the required tuition and fees. The Opportunity Scholarship Program will pay 90% or \$4,200, whichever is less.

Nonpublic School A		Nonpublic School B	
Tuition	\$ 3,800	Tuition	\$ 5,200
Award	-- \$ 3,420	Max Award	-- \$ 4,200
<b>Your portion</b>	<b>\$ 380</b>	<b>Your portion</b>	<b>\$ 1,000</b>

The tuition and fees are less than \$4,200. The Opportunity Scholarship pays 90% of the cost.

The Opportunity Scholarship pays \$4,200 towards tuition and fees. You are responsible for the \$1,000 difference.

My student meets all  
the eligibility requirements.

Where do I find the application?

# Forms are online.

## New Student Application:

[www.NCSEAA.edu](http://www.NCSEAA.edu)

- K12 Grants
- Opportunity Scholarships

## Renewing Student Application:

<https://myportal.ncseaa.edu>

- The parent must complete a separate renewal process for each renewing student.



When do I submit  
my completed application?

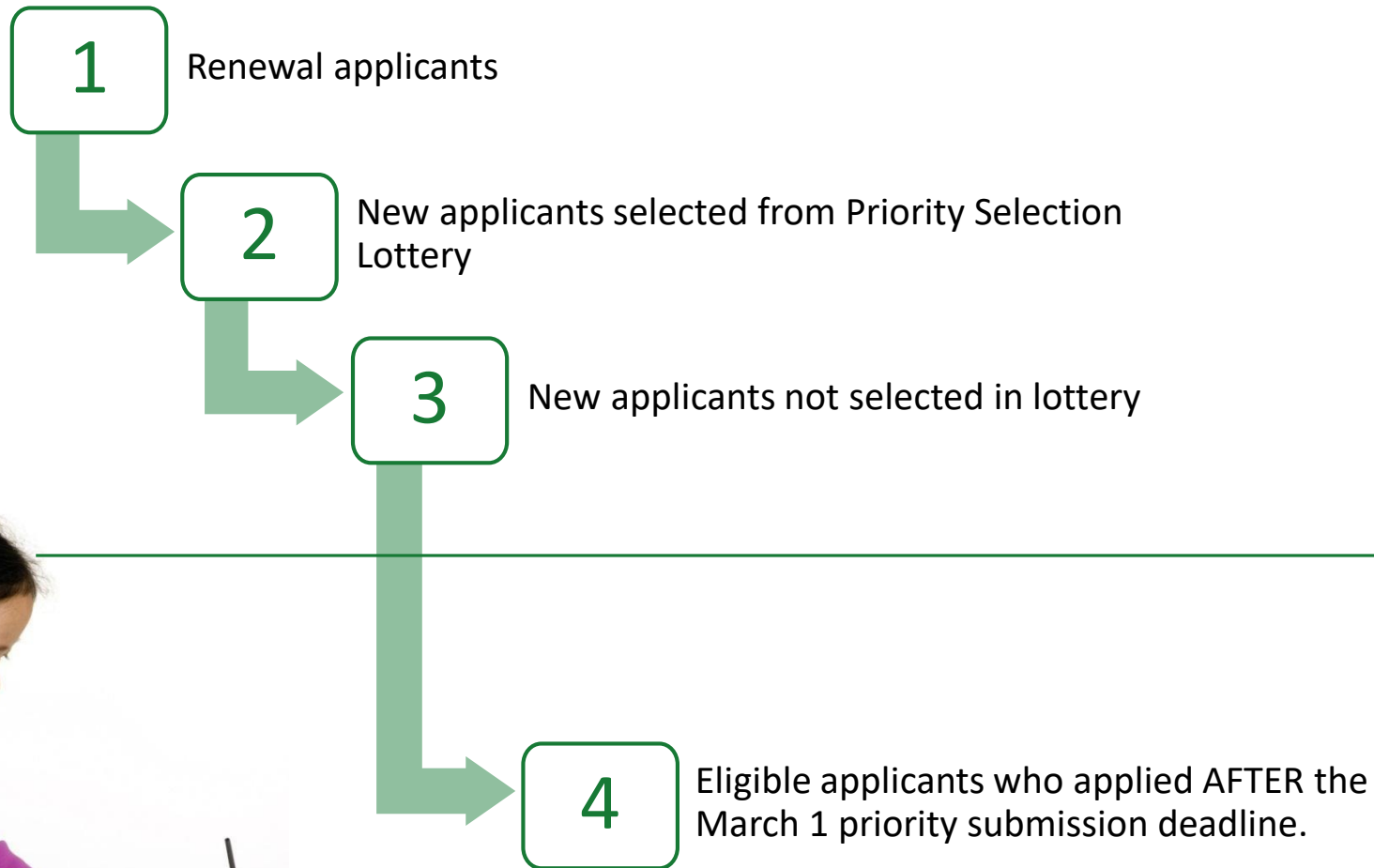


# Application period begins



What is priority selection?

# Priority Selection



Applied BY

Applied AFTER

**March 1 Priority Submission Deadline**



# Priority selection deadline is



What happens if  
I miss  
the priority deadline?

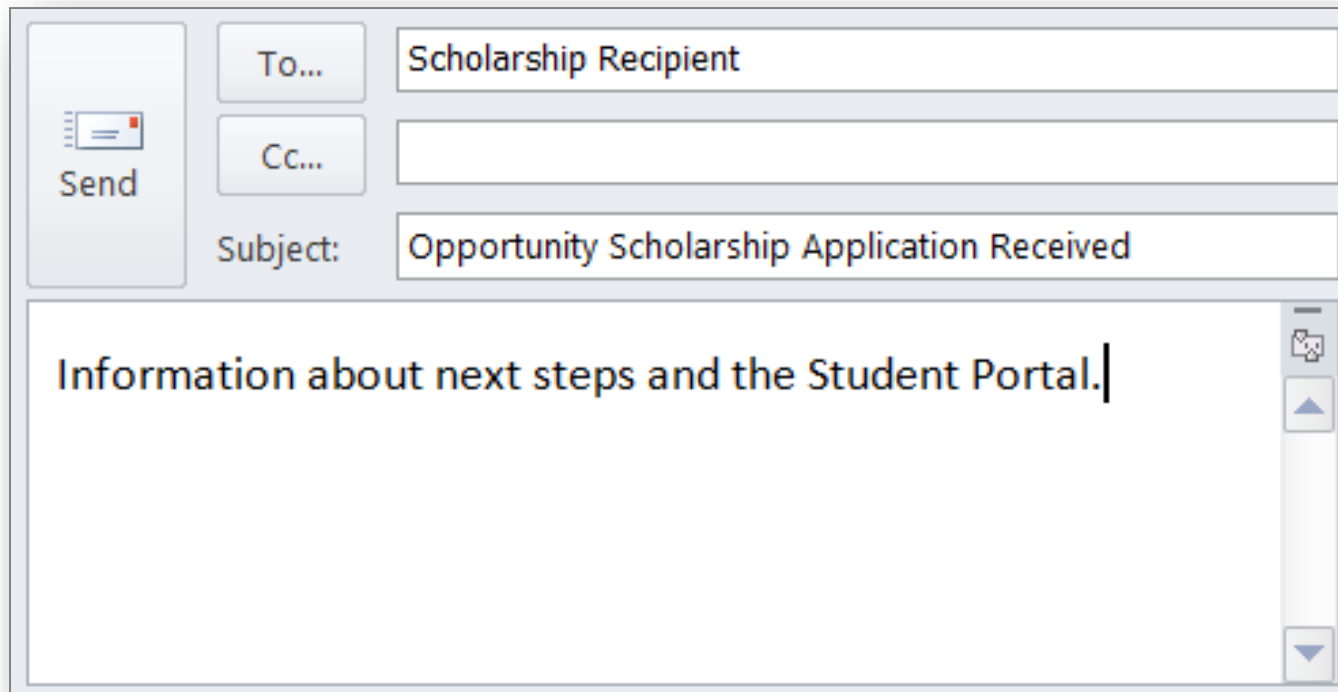
# You can still apply if you missed the deadline.



- **All eligible** applicants, new and renewing, are added to the waitlist in receipt order.
- Renewing students who apply after the priority deadline are **not guaranteed** a Scholarship.

How do I know  
if my application  
was accepted?

# You've got mail!





When does award  
selection begin?

# Award selection begins in

APRIL						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

How is the school paid?

# NCSEAA pays the school directly.

NCSEAA

MMDDYY  
DATE

PAY TO THE ORDER OF SCHOOL NAME

Amount \$ XXXX.XX

DOLLARS Security Features Details on back

FOR Opportunity Scholarship NCSEAA

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\* You must **sign** via the electronic endorsement process **before** any payments can be sent.

# Additional Information



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