



NEW: Hope Scholarship Social Media



The West Virginia Hope Scholarship Program now has its own dedicated Facebook page!

You can now follow the new social media page to receive important program reminders and updates. Click below to access the official West Virginia Hope Scholarship Facebook page administered by the State Treasurer's Office and be sure to follow and share!

[West Virginia Hope Scholarship
Official Facebook Page](#)

AVAILABLE NOW: Continued Participation Confirmations (CPCs) for 2026-2027

The Continued Participation Confirmation (CPC) form is now available on the online portal for current Hope Scholarship participants wishing to continue with the program during the 2026-2027 school year. CPCs will be accepted from January 5 to June 15, 2026, for 100% funding for the 2026-2027 school year. Failure to submit a CPC by June 15, 2026 will result in closure of a student's account and loss of any carryover funds. Students will be able to apply as new applicants for a reduced funding amount after June 15.

Existing Hope Scholarship participants are strongly encouraged to submit their CPCs during January or February 2026 to beat the rush of new applications in March when approximately 20,000 students will be newly eligible for the program.

Students continuing participation in the program will have to demonstrate current proof of WV residency. Students will have the choice of utilizing the simplified residency verification process with Plaid by using their Driver's License or other state-issued ID card or utilizing the manual proof of residency process where they can upload documents such as utility bills, vehicle registrations, etc. The full list of acceptable residency documentation can be found in [The Hope Scholarship Parent Handbook](#).

To complete your CPC for your student(s), please complete the following steps:

1. Log into your Hope Scholarship online portal account
2. Navigate to the My Applications tab
3. Click the "Begin New Application/Continued Participation Confirmation" button in the Actions section of the page
4. Select the name of the child for whom you wish to complete the CPC
5. Proceed through the CPC screens, confirming that all the pre-filled information is correct and filling in any additional information requested. You will utilize Plaid or provide your updated proof of residency documentation on one of the screens.

Once a student's CPC has been reviewed and approved, the status on the application will be updated to Conditionally Eligible. In early July 2026, Board staff will review all Conditionally Eligible students to ensure that the required academic progress reporting for the 2025-2026 school year has been recorded by the student's county board of education and will update the status to Approved. Do not expect to see your child's status to be changed to Approved prior to July 15, 2026, to allow sufficient time for Board staff to update the status of thousands of accounts.

The 2025-2026 academic progress data is due to the county board of education of your county of residence by June 8, 2026. For nonpublic school students, the nonpublic school will send an enrollment confirmation to the county board of education. For Individualized Instructional Plan (IIP) students, including microschool students, the parent must submit either nationally normed standardized test results or a certified teacher academic progress review to the county board of education.

There are several valuable [FAQs](#) about the academic progress requirements on the Hope Scholarship website. Please use the special email address created by the West Virginia Department of Education to submit your academic progress data to the county. The list can be found [HERE](#).

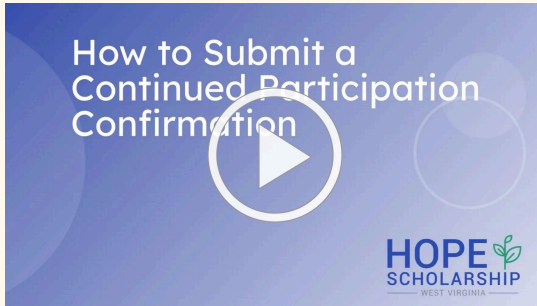
Applications for new students for the 2026-2027 school year will be available on March 2, 2026. **If you have an additional student, such as an incoming kindergarten student or a student newly eligible under the expanded eligibility rules for 2026-2027, who will be participating for the first time next year, please wait until March 2, 2026, to start an application in the online portal.** New applications are only being accepted in the system for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year up through February 28, 2026.

Also, you do **not** need to submit a new Notice of Intent to your county board of education unless you are making a change to your student's Hope pathway for the 2026-2027 school year (nonpublic school versus individualized instructional plan) or

unless you have a change in demographic information (address, phone number, etc.).

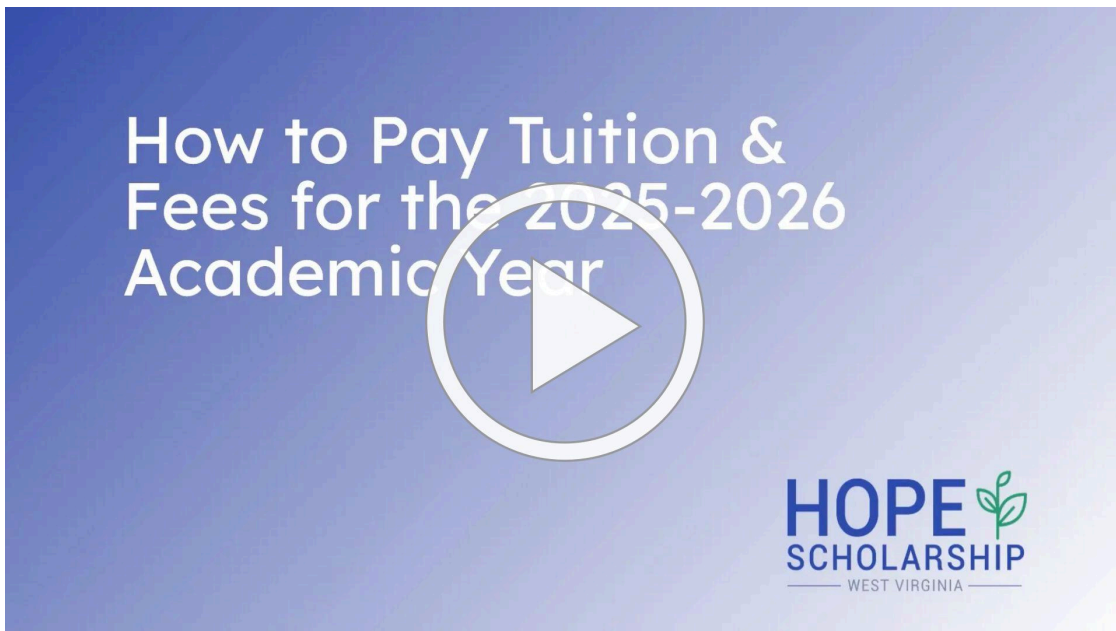
Need Help Completing a CPC?

The Hope Scholarship website provides the most accurate information and helpful resources for families at www.hopescholarshipwv.gov. The **Parent Portal User Guide** and the video resources below have been updated on the website to provide guidance on the process of completing a CPC for the 2026-2027 school year.



Second Semester Funding for 2025-2026

Funding for the second semester of the 2025-2026 school year will be available in student accounts by early afternoon on January 15, 2026 for students in Approved status. If your student attends a nonpublic school or microschool, the second semester tuition and fees button will be unlocked in the portal and you will be able to send your second semester funds to your school. If you need a refresher on how to pay your tuition and fees, watch the video on our website.



TheoPay order volumes are expected to be extremely high in the second half of January due to the additional funding available in student accounts, which will result in slower fulfillment times. Please be patient as the fulfillment team processes orders as quickly as possible.

Best Practices for

Placing Orders for Services

When placing orders for services with providers in the marketplace, please place individual orders for the services. For example, if you want to purchase 10 weeks of a product for weekly music lessons, please place 10 individual orders in the system instead of one big order for a quantity of 10. Placing the orders individually allows the vendors to invoice for one order at a time as they actually provide the service – there is not currently a way in the system for them to split out the quantity ordered into multiple invoices. Vendors generally should not be invoicing before services are actually rendered to students, but when multiple quantities are ordered and the vendors provide the first of those services, they are often billing for the full quantity ordered at that point in time instead of waiting until the last service is provided. If something happens and your student never receives the full quantity of services that you ordered, the vendor will be in a position where they have to refund money back to your student's Hope account instead of simply cancelling the unfilled orders and the funds being available instantly in your student's Hope Scholarship account. Provider refunds may take up to 30 days or longer to complete.



TheoPay Ordering Tip: The Good and the Beautiful

When making TheoPay purchases with **The Good and the Beautiful**, account holders are encouraged to submit their address during the checkout process so shipping costs will be reflected in the cart. This will let the account holder know the expected shipping costs for their order prior to submitting their cart for consideration in TheoPay.

Hope Notice of Intent Reminder



county boards of education.

Any new student for the 2025-26 school year that has an application in Eligible status must submit a Hope Notice of Intent (NOI) to the student's local county board of education before their Hope Scholarship funds will be released. Please click [HERE](#) for a sample Hope Notice of Intent form and click [HERE](#) for county board of education contact information to email the completed NOI. Hope Scholarship Board staff do a weekly analysis to check for new NOI submissions to the

Deadline Approaching for New 2025-2026 Applications

As a reminder, any eligible student wanting to be considered for 25% of the scholarship amount for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year must apply by February 28, 2026. All public-school eligibility requirements are still in effect with the exception of kindergarten age students. Any application submitted after February

28, 2026, will be considered as a new application for the upcoming 2026-2027 school year.

WVEIS ID Request Form

If your student will be newly eligible to apply for the Hope Scholarship for the 2026-2027 school year, you will need their WVEIS ID# for their Hope Scholarship application when it becomes available on March 2, 2026. If you don't know your student's existing WVEIS ID# or if they have never attended public school and don't have a number, please request one from your local county board of education using the new **WVEIS ID Request Form**. Completed forms should be emailed to the county board of education using the email address found **HERE**. Be proactive and request your student's number today to allow sufficient time for the county board of education to provide the number.

Do not submit a completed Notice of Intent form for a new student for 2026-2027 until after your student's Hope Scholarship application has been found Eligible in the online portal.

Important Upcoming Dates

January 5, 2026: Continued Participation Confirmations available for the 2026-2027 school year

January 15, 2026: Second semester funding available in student accounts

January 31, 2026: West Virginia Homeschool Connection 2026 at the Charleston Coliseum and Convention Center (visit the Hope Scholarship Team at the event!)

February 28, 2026: Last day for eligible students to apply for the 2025-2026 school year to receive 25% funding

March 2, 2026: New 2026-2027 applications available for 100% of the scholarship amount



Fraud and Abuse Reporting

If you are aware of any person who has abused the use of their Hope Scholarship funds or has committed fraud or attempted to commit fraud involving Hope Scholarship funds, you can file a report on the Hope Scholarship website. Click on the link below to report fraud or abuse.

[Report Fraud or Abuse](#)





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