

POWERFUL PARTNERS

Preparing for the future starts now, but how do students apply what they have learned in school to the real world? Sharing college prep or vocational options and real world scenarios, will help our scholars thrive after high school. Here are some tips and websites to help students navigate the next step in their life.

Are you a graduating Senior and looking to stay in WV?
Did you know that WV Invests is a financial aid program
you may qualify for?

[Go to the cfwv.com website for more information.](https://www.cfwv.com)



West Virginia Invests is a last-dollar-in¹ financial aid program designed to cover the cost of tuition, mandatory fees and academic program fees² for certificate or associate degree programs in specific high-demand fields, as determined by the West Virginia Department of Commerce, at a participating West Virginia public two- or four-year institution. With 75% of jobs in the current economy requiring postsecondary education or training, West Virginia Invests is designed to help more West Virginians like you earn the credentials you need to land a rewarding career right here at home.

1) The maximum award amount is limited to the total cost of basic tuition and mandatory fees minus other grant or scholarship aid. Certain programs charge additional fees not approved for this program. These fees, along with the cost of textbooks and other course materials, must be paid by the student if other forms of financial aid are not available to offset these costs.

2) Effective Summer 2021, academic program fees approved by the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education are included in the award amount at 2 -year public community and technical colleges.

Invests Application Process

Applying for a WV Invests Grant

- **Is there a deadline?** The preferred deadline is April 15, but students can and should apply after that date. Awards are made on a rolling basis. There are steps that must be completed before the term begins (i.e. drug screen, promissory note, verification, etc.) so you should submit the application early and at least 2 weeks before your term begins.
- **What do I have to do to apply?** You must file the 2021-22 FAFSA and the WV Invests Grant application .
- **What terms does the application cover?** The 2021-22 WV Invests Grant application covers the Summer 2021, Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 terms. The 2022-23 application for Summer 2022, Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 will open October 1, 2021.
- **Do I have to apply each year?** Yes, you must complete the WV Invests Grant application and file the FAFSA each year to qualify.