

How to Pay For College For a High School *Graduate* with an Intellectual Disability

Funding IS available for your family member with an intellectual disability. This resource is for a family member who has **graduated** from high school and plan on becoming employed as highlighted on their Individualized Support Plan (ISP)

Your Resources To Pay For College

PRIMARY RESOURCES



OVR

If eligible, the State Office of Vocational Rehabilitation allows you to use the eligibility to pay for tuition, books, fees., supplies, transportation services or room and board. Visit

<https://www.dli.pa.gov/Individuals/Disability-Services>



Medicaid Home and Community Based Waiver

Consolidated Waiver, Community Living Waiver, and Person/Family Directed Support Waiver are available for families. These funds support Assistive Technology, Supported Employment, and Education Support Services, which can cover tuition, general fees, and support on campus. Visit www.myodp.org



Federal Financial Aid

Students are eligible to receive federal Pell Grants, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants, and work study. An approved CTP provides opportunities for students to obtain academic, social, work and practical skills by interacting with other students. For more information, visit: www.studentaid.ed.gov

OTHER RESOURCES



Social Security Administration (SSA)

Individuals who have a disability or medical condition that prevent them from working may be eligible for Social Security benefits. Visit www.ssa.gov



ABLE Accounts

ABLE accounts are tax-advantaged savings accounts for individuals with disabilities. ABLE accounts can be used for college expenses. Eligibility is limited to individuals with significant disabilities with an age of onset of disability before turning 26 years of age. Visit info@ablenrc.org



Scholarships

There are scholarships opportunities that are available to students with intellectual disabilities. Students may be eligible. Visit www.elearners.com



Private Pay

Some families and students who earn wages pay all or a portion of the costs of a family member getting a college education. To pay for college, many students are employed part time during the school year, on school breaks, and summer vacation.