Ohio Education and Training Voucher (ETV) Program 2025-2026

Application open date is April 1, 2025!

Apply to receive up to \$5,000 per year towards educational expenses! The Ohio Education and Training Voucher (ETV) Program is a federally-funded, state-administered program that provides financial, academic, and human support for young adults who've left the foster care system and are enrolled in qualified colleges, universities, or vocational education programs.

The Ohio ETV program is open to any former or current young person in foster care who meets at least one of these criteria:

- Foster care will end on and after their 18th birthday.
- In foster care at age 17 and not enrolled in high school, but have earned a GED or vocational certificate and will remain in foster care until they turn 18.
- Completed state requirements and have a high school diploma, and will remain in foster care until they turn 18.
- Left foster care after their 16th birthday because they were adopted or placed in a kinship guardianship.

Applicants must:

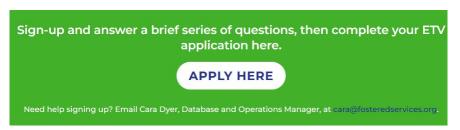
- Be a U.S. citizen or qualified non-citizen
- Have personal assets (bank account, car, home, etc.) worth less than \$10,000
- Be enrolled in a degree, certificate or other accredited program and show that they are making satisfactory academic progress.
- Must be under the age of 26
- Cannot be reunified with biological parent(s)
- Must attend a school where they accept the FAFSA (Title IV eligible)

Ohio ETV recipients must maintain a minimum **2.0 GPA** each term. Students must submit an academic transcript showing grades and GPA from the most recently completed semester/term.

Qualified applicants can apply once every academic year they are in school up to five years!

How to Apply:

Go to https://fosteredservices.org/ohio-etv/
Scroll down to the page to find the APPLY HERE button in the large green box





- 2. Log in and select Educational Success
- 3. Select Start a New ETV Application
- 4. After submitted A box confirming submission and **Next Steps** will appear.
- 5. Check Email regularly for communications from Foster Success.
- 6. Once eligibility has been verified and the financial aid form completed, funds will be sent to your college to be put towards your tuition balance. Any remaining eligible funds will be sent directly to the student for any educational expenses.

Additional Educational Expenses:

Funds can be earned for up to 5 years, broken up to meet financial needs and can be used for:

Books/SuppliesSchool-Related TechStudent Health InsuranceLiving ExpensesStudent LoansChild CareRoom & BoardTransportationTutoring

Education Coordinator:

Earn a monthly stipend for checking in with your assigned Education Coordinator who will:

- Provide support with any financial aid or education-related questions
- Provide connections with campus resources and programs
- Provide other wrap around services

Questions? Help signing up?

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