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Hathaway Scholarship Application Procedures

Students who meet the eligibility requirements should apply directly to the eligible Wyoming community college or the University of Wyoming.

- ✓ Students must make application for the Hathaway Scholarship at the time they apply for admission or prior to the beginning of the semester. Each community college has its own application; the university requires no separate application.
- ✓ Students must submit their most current transcript with cumulative GPA and ACT, SAT or WorkKeys scores to the college or university.
- ✓ Final scholarship eligibility is determined by the college or university.

Hathaway Scholarships are available to attend the following Wyoming post-secondary institutions:

- Casper College (CC), Casper; www.caspercollege.edu
- Central Wyoming College (CWC), Riverton; www.cwc.edu
- Eastern Wyoming College (EWC), Torrington; www.ewc.wy.edu
- Laramie County Community College (LCCC), Cheyenne; www.lccc.wy.edu
- Northwest College (NWC), Powell; www.northwestcollege.edu
- Sheridan College (SC), Sheridan; www.sheridan.edu
- Western Wyoming Community College (WWCC), Rock Springs; www.wycc.wy.edu
- University of Wyoming (UW), Laramie; www.uwyo.edu

Hathaway Need-Based Scholarship

The Hathaway Need-Based Scholarship is intended to supplement the Hathaway Merit Scholarship by providing additional assistance for students with unmet financial need, as determined by the financial aid offices at the Wyoming community colleges and the University of Wyoming. Contact the college or university financial aid office for further information.

Calculation of Unmet Need for Hathaway Need-Based Scholarship

College Cost of Attendance (COA) - Expected Family Contribution - Hathaway Merit Award - Grants/Scholarships - <u>\$2,000</u> Unmet Need	COA used by schools for federal need determination Amount determined by FAFSA analysis \$1,600; \$2,400; or, \$3,200 annual award Other grants/scholarships received by the student Hathaway Scholarship-required student commitment Amount used to determine need-based scholarship
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If the student's annual unmet need is less than \$2,000, he/she is not eligible for the need-based Hathaway Scholarship.	
HONORS	If the student's annual unmet need is greater than \$2,000, he/she will receive the full amount of unmet need which is greater than \$2,000, half awarded each semester; minimum award \$100.
PROVISIONAL OPPORTUNITY, OPPORTUNITY or PERFORMANCE	If the student's annual unmet need is greater than \$2,000, he/she will receive 25% of annual unmet need which is greater than \$2000, half awarded each semester not to exceed \$750 per semester; minimum award \$100.

Hathaway Scholarship Levels and Eligibility Requirements

Scholarship Level	Provisional Opportunity <i>(Students must begin at a Wyoming community college)</i>	Opportunity • Performance • Honors <i>(May be used for a certificate or degree at a Wyoming community college or a degree program at the University of Wyoming)</i>		
Merit Award Amount (for full-time enrollment of 12 hours or more per semester; awards are pro-rated for students attending part-time of 6-11 hours)	\$800/semester	\$800/semester	\$1200/semester	\$1600/semester
Eligibility Criteria				
• Minimum High School GPA (cumulative)*	2.50	2.50	3.00	3.50
• Minimum GED	500	500	540	575
• Minimum ACT score (composite score, does not include writing section)	17 or WorkKeys score of 12 points	19	21	25
• High School Curriculum	Equal to requirements set by the Wyoming Department of Education (Success Curriculum)	Equal to requirements set by the Wyoming Department of Education (Success Curriculum)	Equal to requirements set by the Wyoming Department of Education (Success Curriculum)	Equal to requirements set by the Wyoming Department of Education (Success Curriculum)
Length of Award	Equivalent of 4 full-time semesters with the option of 4 additional semesters	Equivalent of 8 full-time semesters; no more than 4 may be used at a WY community college	Equivalent of 8 full-time semesters; no more than 4 may be used at a WY community college	Equivalent of 8 full-time semesters; no more than 4 may be used at a WY community college
*There is no high school GPA requirement for home-based education programs or for students who receive a GED. Students who receive a home-based education must submit to their post-secondary institution a list of classes they successfully completed and their ACT or WorkKeys score. Students who complete high school through a GED must submit to their post-secondary institution their GED score and their ACT or WorkKeys score.				
Continued Eligibility Requirements				
	Provisional Opportunity*	Opportunity	Performance	Honors
• Minimum College GPA (cumulative)	2.25	2.25	2.50	2.50
• Enrollment Status	Enrolled for minimum of two semesters per academic year	Enrolled for minimum of two semesters per academic year	Enrolled for minimum of two semesters per academic year	Enrolled for minimum of two semesters per academic year
• Evidence of satisfactory academic progress (SAP) as measured by the completion of the minimum number of semester hours				

*May be extended based on eligibility requirements and pursuit of an additional certificate or degree up to four (4) additional full-time semesters.

Q & A

1. Q. Who is eligible for a Hathaway Scholarship?

A. Students who

- graduate from an eligible high school; or
- successfully complete a home-based education program; or
- receive a GED after April 1, 2006 while residing in Wyoming and attended a Wyoming high school prior to receiving their GED; and
- apply within two years of the students' high school graduation date; and
- comply with the U.S. selective service system registration requirements (if applicable); and
- are US citizens or permanent resident aliens

Next, students must meet the scholarship specific eligibility requirements for each level of the scholarship. There are additional requirements that vary depending on whether the student is a high school or home school graduate. Home schooled graduates must meet all eligibility requirements except GPA, apply for the award and enroll at an eligible college prior to age 21. Graduates from eligible high schools must apply for the award and enroll at an eligible institution within two years of graduation. All students must be Wyoming residents and have graduated no sooner than 2006. Students must declare they are not in default on a federal Title IV education loan, do not owe a refund on a federal Title IV student aid program, and have not been convicted of a felony.

2. Q. What is the Wyoming residency requirement?

A. In addition to specific Hathaway Merit Scholarships eligibility requirements, a student must demonstrate Wyoming residency which is determined by the post-secondary institution. A student whose custodial parent or legal guardian is a Wyoming resident at the time the student graduates from high school or is in active military service and maintains Wyoming as their domicile state is considered a Wyoming resident.

3. Q. If a student attends an out-of-state college and returns to Wyoming, can the student apply for a Hathaway Scholarship?

A. Yes, if the student meets all the initial eligibility requirements and applies within two years of his/her high school graduation date.

4. Q. What if a student wants to enter the military before beginning post-secondary education?

A. A two-year timeframe from high school graduation is allowed to apply for the Hathaway. The timeframe may be extended if the student enters active military duty in the U.S. Armed Forces and is honorably discharged. This same extension is granted for those who choose to engage in religious service for a period of time (i.e. missionary work). Initial eligibility requirements for the scholarship must be met.

5. Q. Can the GPA or ACT score be waived? What if a student took the SAT instead of ACT?

A. The minimum GPA and ACT scores must be met. SAT scores equivalent to the ACT as determined on The College Board conversion tables is allowed. See the post-secondary institution for more information.

6. Q. If a student graduates early from high school, can he/she be eligible for the Hathaway?

A. The student becomes eligible based on the graduation date provided by the school district.

7. Q. If a student already has a state-funded scholarship from a Wyoming community college or the University of Wyoming, is he/she eligible for a Hathaway Scholarship?

A. Yes; Furthermore, Need-Based Hathaway Scholarships will not be affected as long as the student is not awarded more than the cost of attendance.

8. Q. If a student gets a higher GPA in college, can he/she move up to a higher award level of the Hathaway Scholarship?

A. No, Hathaway awards are based on academic performance in high school; certain academic standards in college are required to continue eligibility for the scholarship, but cannot be used to earn a higher scholarship level than was originally awarded.

9. Q. Can a Hathaway Merit Scholarship be used during the summer term?

A. Yes, it may be used at an eligible institution. However, summer does not count as part of the academic year, so the student must also attend the fall and spring semesters of the academic year. The summer term does count toward the student's total scholarship eligibility for an equivalent of eight (8) full time semesters or 96 credits.

10. Q. Can a student receiving a Hathaway Merit Scholarship transfer between eligible institutions?

A. Yes, the transcript will need to be transferred and the credits at all eligible institutions that are earned while receiving the scholarship will be counted in the cumulative GPA requirements.

11. Q. What happens if a student doesn't maintain the minimum Hathaway GPA requirement?

A. A student must maintain at least a 2.25 GPA for the Provisional Opportunity and Opportunity levels and at least a 2.50 GPA for the Performance and Honors levels of the scholarship. If a student doesn't maintain the appropriate Hathaway GPA, all Hathaway Scholarship eligibility is lost. Once a student restores his/her Hathaway GPA, he/she is eligible to regain the Hathaway Scholarship.

“Will I Qualify for the Hathaway Scholarship Program?”

Student _____

I hope you will “Make College a Reality” and take advantage of the Hathaway Scholarship if you plan on attending one of our Wyoming community colleges or the University of Wyoming!

Below are the general criteria required to determine your eligibility for one of the Hathaway Merit Scholarship levels. Each community college has its own application; the University of Wyoming requires no separate application. You can view their web sites or call them for information.

The Hathaway Need-Based Scholarship is also available for eligible students. It provides additional financial assistance for students with unmet financial need. This is calculated by the financial aid office at the college or the university.

Please visit with me if you have any questions. I will be glad to discuss your eligibility and assist you in completing your application. Don’t miss this opportunity!

_____ Counselor/Advisor

GPA _____ **ACT Score** _____ **HS Graduation Date** _____

Wyoming College or University: _____

Planned enrollment: ___ Part time ___ Full time

Merit Eligibility*: ___ Provisional Opportunity ___ Opportunity ___ Performance ___ Honors

Amount per semester: \$ _____

*In addition to your high school cumulative GPA and ACT score, eligibility for each level of the Hathaway Scholarship is based on completing a Hathaway Success Curriculum. The Success Curriculum covers five content areas: math, language arts, science, social studies and foreign language.

