



Kansas Promise Scholarship Fund Specifics:

1. Last dollar Scholarship which kicked in after all other federal aid and any outside scholarships are applied. Will most benefit middle income students. Low-income students will likely qualify for full Pell grants and disqualify them from this scholarship.
2. Pays for tuition, fees, books, and supplies for up to an Associate's Degree.
3. \$10,000,000 across the state available and has been already appropriated for FY 22 and FY 23.

Eligible Students/ Income limits:

(Can attend full-time or part-time- at least six hours a semester and must complete within 30 months.)

1. A Kansas resident who has graduated from an accredited Kansas public or a private secondary school (or Kansas homeschool) within the preceding 12 months;
2. A Kansas resident who has been in KS three or more consecutive years and who is at least 21 years of age or older;
3. A dependent child of military servicemember permanently stationed in another state & graduated in the last 12 months;
4. All eligible students must have family household income equal to \$100,000 or less for a family of two, \$150,000 or less for a family of three and, for household sizes above three, a household income that is equal to or less than the family of three amount plus \$4,800 for each additional family member. If scholarship moneys remain in the Kansas promise scholarship program fund during the award year after awarding all other scholarships pursuant to this section, Kansas promise scholarships may be awarded to eligible students whose family household income exceeds such amounts.

Eligible Institutions:

1. Any Kansas community colleges;
2. Any of the Kansas technical colleges including Washburn Tech;
3. Any Kansas Independent colleges who have two-year programs in the designated fields of study. (Central Christian, Cleveland, Donnelly, Hesston, Mid-America Nazarene, Newman, St. Mary's. (Scholarship amount is capped at the average of the public institutions price).

Eligible Areas of Study: (Any two-year associate degree program or CTE certificate or stand-alone program in areas below).

1. Information technology and security;
2. Mental and physical healthcare;
3. Advanced manufacturing and building trades;
4. Early childhood education and development;
5. One additional program identified by each institution so long as the additional program is a two-year associate degree program or a career and technical education certificate or stand-alone program that corresponds to a high wage, high demand or critical need occupation. Program must be maintained for 3 years prior to requesting to change the program.

Student obligations/agreements to accept Kansas Promise Scholarship funds:

1. Complete the FASFA.
2. Complete the Kansas Promise Scholarship Application
3. Enter into an agreement to live AND work in Kansas for two years post certificate or degree completion. Can delay obligation if pursuing Bachelors Degree. If fail to meet requirement, must pay back scholarship & accrued interest at approx. 5.3% rate.
4. Maintain satisfactory academic progress (SAP). Scholarships guaranteed for a year if student maintains SAP and continues in program of study.

Kansas Promise Scholarship Act Crosswalk

Eligible postsecondary educational institution:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Any Kansas community college; 2. Any Kansas technical college; 3. Washburn institute of technology; 4. Any accredited independent college with its principal place of operation in Kansas that offers a promise eligible program
Eligible postsecondary programs:	Any two-year associate degree program or CTE certificate or stand alone program offered by an eligible postsecondary educational institution
Promelgate Regulations:	<p>KBOR by March 1, 2022 to cover:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scholarship Application deadlines 2. Appeal procedures 3. Ensure transferability of credits 4. Terms, conditions, requirements of scholarship agreement. 5. Student hardship requirement provisions 6. Residency and repayment provisions.
Establishment of Eligible Programs:	<p>KBOR shall Identify the promise eligible programs: In any of the following fields of study:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Information technology and security; 2. Mental and physical healthcare; 3. Advanced manufacturing and building trades; or 4. Early childhood education and development; 5. One additional program identified by each insitution so long as the additional program is a two-year associate degree program or a career and technical education certificate or stand-alone program that corresponds to a high wage, high demand or critical need occupation. This program must be maintained for three years prior to requesting to change the program.
Students eligibility requirements:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Kansas resident who has graduated from an accredited Kansas public or private secondary school (or Kansas homeschool) within the preceding 12 months; 2. Be 21 years of age or older who has been a resident of Kansas for three or more consecutive years; 3. Be a dependent child of a military servicemember permanently stationed in another state and who, within the preceding 12 months, graduated from any out-of-state secondary school or obtained a high school equivalency certificate;
Students complete and agree to:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complete the required scholarship application on such forms established by the state board of regents; 2. Enter into a Kansas promise scholarship agreement 3. Complete the free application for federal student aid for the academic year in which the student applies to receive a Kansas promise scholarship; 4. Enroll in an eligible postsecondary educational institution in a promise eligible program.

Eligible student family income limits:	All recently graduated Kansas high school students or adult Kansans who have been Kansas residents for at least three years whose family household income equals \$100,000 or less for a family of two, \$150,000 or less for a family of three and, for household sizes above three, a household income that is equal to or less than the family of three amount plus \$4,800 for each additional family member. If scholarship moneys remain in the Kansas promise scholarship program fund during the award year after awarding all other scholarships pursuant to this section, Kansas promise scholarships may be awarded to eligible students whose family household income exceeds such amounts.
To continue receiving scholarships students must:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enroll as a full-time or part-time student (at least six hours per semester) at the eligible postsecondary educational institution and complete the required promise eligible program within 30 months of the date the scholarship was first awarded; 2. Maintain satisfactory academic progress in a promise eligible program 3. Within six months after graduation from the promise eligible program reside in and commence work in the state of Kansas for at least two consecutive years following completion of such program; or 4. Enroll as a full-time or part-time student (at least six hours per semester) in any public or private postsecondary educational institution with its primary location in Kansas and upon graduation or failure to re-enroll, reside in and commence work in Kansas for at least two consecutive years following the completion of such program; 5. Maintain records and make reports to the state board of regents to prove residency and working requirements. 6. Agree to live and work in Kansas two years post completion of their two year degree or certificate. If a student's completes their two year degree and transfers to a four year program they must still live and work in Kansas for two years post completion of their bachelors degree or pay back the Kansas Promise Scholarship funds. 7. Failure to satisfy the requirements of a Kansas promise scholarship agreement, repay the amount received under the program plus interest.
Scholarship Amount:	Total Scholarships available subject to appropriation each year. Expected 10 million in year one and two then 150% of actual scholarships awarded thereafter.
Scholarship Covers:	Aggregate amount of tuition, required fees and the cost of books and required materials for the promise eligible program for the academic year in which the student is enrolled and receiving the scholarship minus the aggregate amount of all other aid awarded to such student for such semester. Aid includes any grant, scholarship or financial assistance awards that do not require repayment. If offered by a independent college tuition and fees capped at the two year sector average cost.
Marketing:	KBOR is to work with community foundations, school districts, postsecondary educational institutions, Kansas business and industry and economic development organizations to publicize Kansas promise scholarships.
Reporting:	By January 2022,KBOR shall annually evaluate the Kansas promise scholarship program and prepare and submit a report to the senate standing committee on education and the house of representatives standing committee on education

Promise Scholarship; HB 2064

HB 2064 establishes the Kansas Promise Scholarship Act (Act), which provides scholarships for students to attend an “eligible postsecondary educational institution.” The Act makes the State Board of Regents (Board) the administering agent.

Definitions

The bill defines “eligible postsecondary institution” (institution) to mean one of the following:

- Any community college or technical college established by state statute;
- The Washburn Institute of Technology; or
- Any independent, not-for-profit, postsecondary institution whose main campus or principal place of operation is in Kansas that offers a program eligible under the Act, maintains an open enrollment, and is accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency for higher education.

The bill defines a “promise eligible program” (eligible program) to mean any two-year associate degree program, career and technical education certificate, or stand-alone program identified by the Board, or an eligible program as designated by the institution pursuant to Section 3 of this bill.

The bill also defines “military servicemember” as it is defined in law regarding expedited occupational or professional licensing for servicemembers and “part-time student” as a student enrolled for at least six credit hours in a semester who is not enrolled as a full-time student.

Administration

Rules and Regulations

The bill requires the Board to adopt rules and regulations on or before March 1, 2022, pertaining to:

- Application deadlines for the scholarship;
- The appeals process for denial or revocation of a scholarship;
- Guidelines for the transferability of a graduated student’s credits from an institution to a state educational institution or a municipal university;

- The terms, conditions, and requirements of the scholarship agreement between the Board and the student;
- Procedures for requesting and approving certain absences from an institution;
- Criteria for determining whether a student has fulfilled the employment and repayment requirements specified in the bill, including methods of repayment; and
- Criteria for determining whether special circumstances or good cause are present that prevent a student from completing the scholarship requirements.

Eligible Programs

The bill requires the Board to identify the eligible programs that are in the following fields of study:

- Information technology and security;
- Physical and mental health care;
- Early childhood education and development;
- Advanced manufacturing and building trades; or
- Those designated by the institution according to Section 3 of the bill.

Other Responsibilities

The bill also requires the Board to:

- Work with community partners to publicize the Promise Scholarship Program (Program);
- Disburse funds to each institution;
- Request information from each institution;
- Ensure students fulfill the scholarship agreement; and
- Starting in January 2022, annually evaluate the Program and report to the standing education committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Designation of an Additional Eligible Program by the Institution

The bill allows an institution to designate one additional eligible program outside of the specified fields if it is a two-year associate degree program, career and technical education certificate program, or stand-alone program that corresponds to a high-wage, high-demand, or

critical-need field. The bill further requires such institution have no less than one existing eligible program before the institution designates an additional eligible program. Once adopted, the institution must maintain the newly designated eligible program for no less than three years.

Appropriations

The bill requires the Program be subject to appropriations that will not exceed \$10.0 million annually for FY 2022 and FY 2023. Beginning in FY 2024, all subsequent appropriations will not exceed 150.0 percent of the expenditures in the preceding year. The amount of a student's scholarship for each semester is the aggregate of the amount of tuition and related fees or costs of the institution minus the aggregate amount of all other aid awarded to the student. The bill specifies aid includes any financial assistance that would not require repayment.

If a student is enrolled in an eligible program offered by a four-year postsecondary educational institution, the bill requires that the aggregate amount of tuition, fees, books, and materials for such program be considered the average cost of such program when offered by an institution that is not a four-year institution.

The bill prioritizes scholarships for eligible students whose family household incomes are less than or equal to the following amounts:

- \$100,000 for a family of two;
- \$150,000 for a family of three; and
- \$150,000, plus \$4,800 per additional family member beyond three.

Eligible students whose family household income exceeds these limits are eligible for scholarships under the Act only if scholarship money remains after awarding all other prioritized scholarships.

Eligibility for a Scholarship

The bill requires a student to meet the following criteria to be considered eligible for a scholarship:

- Be a resident of Kansas; and
 - In the past 12 months, have:
 - Graduated from an accredited Kansas public or private secondary school;
 - Completed the requirements for graduation from a non-accredited private secondary school, per KSA 72-4345; or
 - Attended an accredited Kansas public or private secondary school or non-accredited private school, per KSA 72-4345, and obtained a high school equivalency certificate;

- Be 21 years of age or older while having been a resident of Kansas for a minimum of three consecutive years; or
- Be a dependent child of a military servicemember permanently stationed in another state and have graduated from any out-of-state secondary school or obtained a high school equivalency certificate within the preceding 12 months;
- Complete a scholarship application as established by the Board;
- Enter into a scholarship agreement with the Board;
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid; and
- Enroll in an eligible program at an institution.

The bill further requires the student maintain satisfactory academic progress and satisfy the requirements of the scholarship agreement.

The bill does not prohibit a student enrolled in high school who received a postsecondary course credit from qualifying for the scholarship.

Scholarship Agreement, Repayment for Failure to Complete, and Completion of the Program

Scholarship Agreement

The bill requires the student to enter into a scholarship agreement with the institution to receive a scholarship. The scholarship agreement must contain the following criteria for eligible students:

- Enroll as a full- or part-time student in an eligible program at an institution and complete the Program within 30 months of the date upon which the first scholarship was awarded;
- Within six months of completing the eligible program:
 - Reside and work in Kansas for a minimum of two consecutive years; or
 - Enroll as a full- or part-time student at any public or not-for-profit postsecondary educational institution whose main campus or principal place of operation is in Kansas;
- Maintain records and make reports as required by the Board to document satisfaction of the requirements in this bill; and
- Repay the amount of scholarship received, upon failure to satisfy the requirements of the scholarship agreement.

Repayment

Failure to satisfy the requirements of a scholarship agreement will result in the scholarship recipient being liable for repayment to the Board in the amount of the awarded scholarship plus accrued interest. The interest is to be set at the rate of the Federal PLUS Program at the time the scholarship was awarded. Moneys collected in this manner are to be remitted to the State Treasurer to be put into the Kansas Promise Scholarship Program Fund. The bill allows installment payments to be made in accordance with Board rules and regulations, with payments to begin six months after the cause for the failure to satisfy the requirements as determined by the Board.

The Board is authorized to transfer any repayment account to a loan servicer or collection agency.

The Board may postpone the requirements for good cause.

Completion of the Program

A scholarship recipient satisfies the requirements of the Program when the recipient:

- Completes the requirements of the scholarship agreement;
- Commences service as a military servicemember after receiving the scholarship;
- Fails to satisfy the requirements after making the best possible effort to do so as determined by the Board; or
- Is unable to satisfy the requirements due to disability or death of the recipient.

Kansas Promise Scholarship Program Fund

The bill establishes the Kansas Promise Scholarship Program Fund to be administered by the Board.

Act on programs eligible for the Kansas Promise Scholarship Act

Summary

The Kansas Legislature enacted the Kansas Promise Scholarship Act (Promise Scholarship) which would provide scholarships for students to attend an eligible postsecondary education institution. Eligible programs would be any two-year associate degree program, career and technical education certificate, or stand-alone program that fall into the four fields of study prescribed. It also allows each eligible institution to designate one additional program outside the specified fields that corresponds to a high wage, high demand, or critical need occupation. 5/27/2021

Background

On April 23, 2021, Governor Kelly signed [House Bill 2064](#), the Kansas Promise Scholarship Act. The Act provides \$10 million in scholarships for students to enroll in eligible programs at eligible institutions beginning academic year 2022, or July 1, 2021.

The Act also states that the Board of Regents will administer the program. Administration is broken into three categories: Rules and Regulations, Eligible Programs, and Other Responsibilities. The Kansas Postsecondary Technical Education Authority is delegated the approval of eligible programs. The Act (section 2) identifies eligible programs as any of the following fields of study:

- Advanced Manufacturing and Building Trades
- Early Childhood Education and Development
- Mental and Physical Healthcare
- Information Technology and Security

The Act (section 3) also states that “an eligible postsecondary institution may designate one additional promise eligible program if the additional program is a two-year associate degree program or a career and technical education certificate or stand-alone program that corresponds to a high wage, high demand, or critical need occupation.”

Kansas Community Colleges and Technical Colleges

Allen Community College requests approval of the following Promise Scholarship eligible programs:

Allen Community College

Advanced Manufacturing and Building Trades	
Career Technical Education Programs	
	<i>None</i>
Advanced Manufacturing and/or Building Trades Transfer Program(s)	
	<i>AS in Pre-Engineering</i>

Early Childhood Education and Development	
Career Technical Education Programs	
19.0708	<i>Early Childhood Education</i>
Early Childhood Education and Development Transfer Program(s)	
	<i>AA in Early Childhood Education</i>
	<i>AA in Teacher Education - Elementary Education</i>

Healthcare (physical and mental)	
Career Technical Education Programs	
51.0805	<i>Pharmacy Technician</i>

51.2601	<i>Healthcare Specialists</i>
51.2602	<i>Home Health Aide</i>
51.2603	<i>Medication Aide</i>
51.2604	<i>Rehabilitation Aide</i>
51.3902	<i>Certified Nurse Aide</i>
Healthcare (physical and/or mental) Transfer Program(s)	
	<i>Social Services Designee/Activities Director</i>
	<i>Medical Office Assistant</i>
	<i>AS in Biology-Pre-Medicine</i>
	<i>AS in Chemistry-Pre-Medicine</i>
	<i>AS in Pre-Nursing</i>

Information Technology and Security	
Career Technical Education Programs	
11.0801	<i>Production Media/Web Design</i>
11.0901	<i>Computer and Network Support Technician/Information Networking Technology</i>
Information Technology and/or Security Transfer Program(s)	
	<i>AS in Information Technology</i>
	<i>AS in Cybersecurity</i>
	<i>AS in Production Media</i>
	<i>AA in Graphic Design</i>

College designated program	
Supportive high wage, high demand, or critical need occupation data may be required	
43.0107	<i>Criminal Justice Studies Law Enforcement</i>

Recommendation

The Promise Eligible programs presented by Allen Community College meet the four fields of study defined in the Act. The college designated program leads to a high wage, high demand occupation. Board staff recommends approval.

Barton Community College requests approval of the following Promise Scholarship eligible programs:

Barton Community College	
Advanced Manufacturing and Building Trades	
Career Technical Education Programs	
46.0201	<i>Carpentry</i>
46.0503	<i>Plumbing</i>
48.0508	<i>Welding Technology</i>
Advanced Manufacturing and/or Building Trades Transfer Program(s)	
	<i>AS in Occupational Safety and Health</i>

Early Childhood Education and Development	
Career Technical Education Programs	
19.0708	<i>Early Childhood/Child Development</i>
Early Childhood Education and Development Transfer Program(s)	

	<i>AS in Early Childhood Education (2+2 with FHSU and KSU)</i>
	<i>AS in Elementary Education (2+2 with ESU and FHSU)</i>
Healthcare (physical and mental)	
Career Technical Education Programs	
<i>51.0710</i>	<i>Medical Administrative Technology</i>
<i>51.0713</i>	<i>Medical Coding</i>
<i>51.0801</i>	<i>Medical Assistant</i>
<i>51.0805</i>	<i>Pharmacy Technician</i>
<i>51.0810</i>	<i>Advanced Emergency Medical Technician</i>
<i>51.0810</i>	<i>Emergency Medical Responder</i>
<i>51.0810</i>	<i>Emergency Medical Technician</i>
<i>51.0810</i>	<i>EMS Instructor Coordinator</i>
<i>51.0904</i>	<i>Paramedic</i>
<i>51.1004</i>	<i>Medical Laboratory Technology</i>
<i>51.1009</i>	<i>Phlebotomy</i>
<i>51.2603</i>	<i>Medication Aide</i>
<i>51.3104</i>	<i>Dietary Manager</i>
<i>51.3801</i>	<i>Registered Nursing</i>
<i>51.3902</i>	<i>Practical Nursing</i>
<i>51.3902</i>	<i>Certified Nurse Aide</i>
Healthcare (physical and/or mental) Transfer Program(s)	
	<i>AS in Dietary Management (2+2 KSU)</i>
	<i>AS in Pre-Professional Healthcare</i>

Information Technology and Security	
Career Technical Education Programs	
<i>11.0901</i>	<i>Networking Specialist</i>
Information Technology and/or Security Transfer Program(s)	
	<i>AS in Computer Science (2+2 with FHSU)</i>

College designated program	
Supportive high wage, high demand, or critical need occupation data may be required	
<i>15.0699</i>	<i>Natural Gas Transmission and Distribution Technician</i>

Recommendation

The Promise Eligible programs presented by Barton Community College meet the four fields of study defined in the Act. The college designated program leads to a high wage occupation. Board staff recommends approval.

Butler Community College requests approval of the following Promise Scholarship eligible programs:

Butler Community College	
Advanced Manufacturing and Building Trades	
Career Technical Education Programs	
<i>15.0612</i>	<i>Engineering Technology</i>
<i>46.0415</i>	<i>Construction Technology</i>