



*Adding another piece to  
the puzzle... Scholarships*



*KASFAA Counselor Training  
2020*

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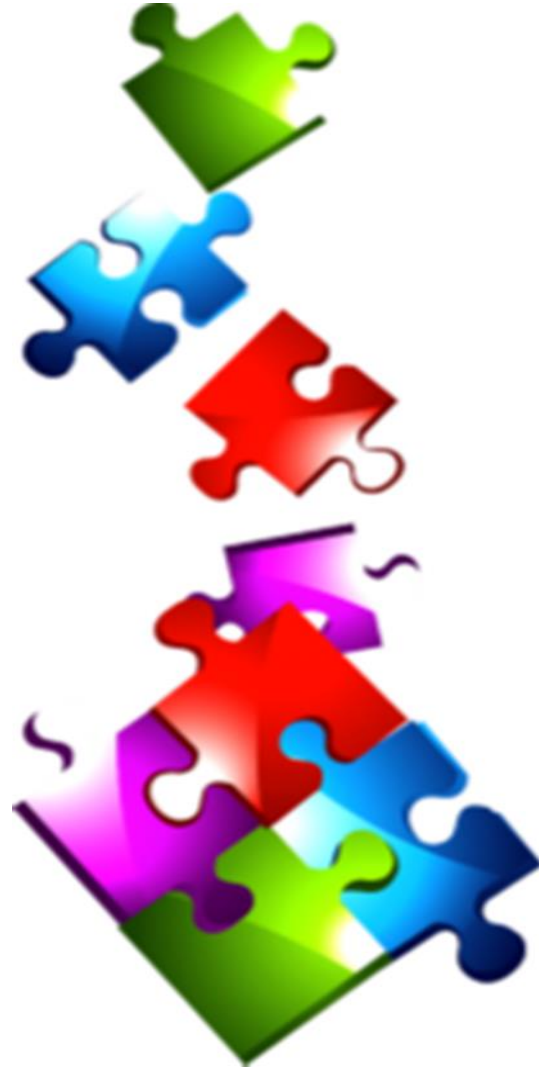
# Types of Aid

## Grants

- Federal Pell, TEACH, FSEOG
- KS Comprehensive Grant
- Institutional

## Loans

- Federal
  - Subsidized, Unsubsidized, PLUS
- Private



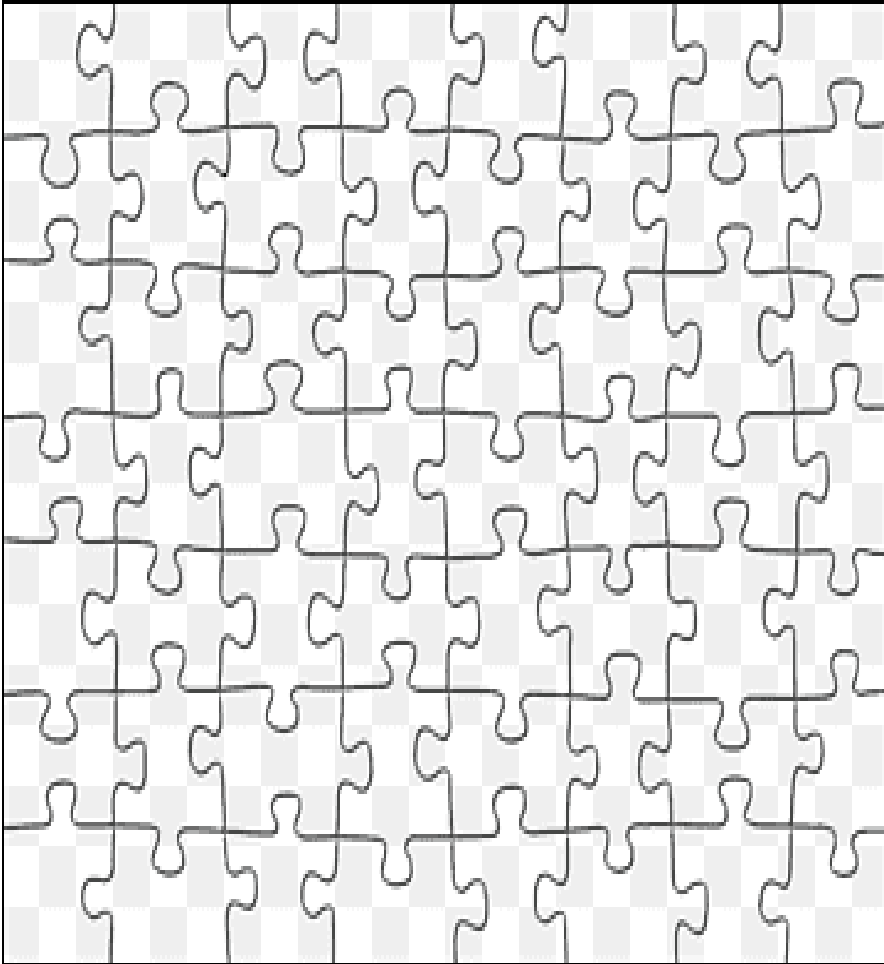
## Federal Work-Study

- Federal dollars paid in exchange for part-time employment on campus
- School comes first

## Scholarships

- Institutional
- Private/Outside
- State/KBOR

# Puzzle Pieces



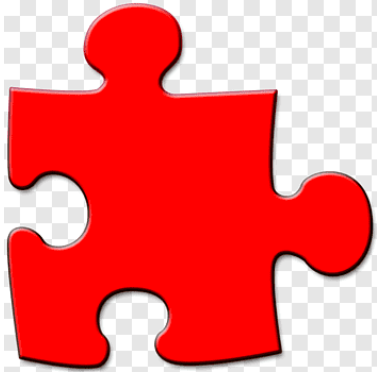
- *Scholarships at institutions*
- *Searching for scholarships*
- *Helping students with scholarship search*
- *Kansas scholarships*
- *Other presentations and dates*

# Scholarships at the college/university

- Many schools offer multiple scholarship opportunities for incoming students
  - Deadlines are important
  - Review the criteria
  - Renewal or not?

Schools also offer scholarships for activities such as newspaper, debate, band, leadership, etc.



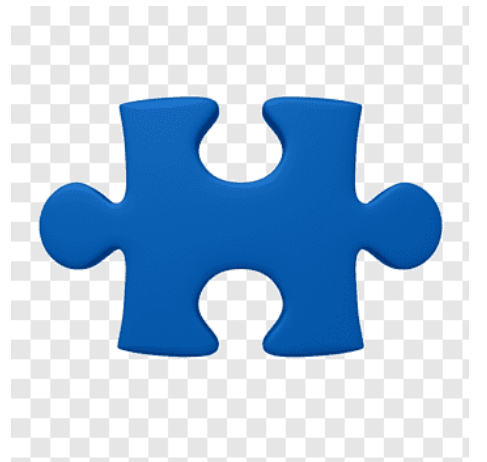


## Places for students to look for Outside/Private Scholarships:

1. Kiwanis, Masons, Rotary Clubs
2. Churches
3. Community Foundations – Topeka, Wamego, Greater KC, Central KS, Greater Salina, Wichita
4. Professional organizations like American Businesswoman Association
5. Dane G. Hansen Foundation
6. Military – Army, Air Force, Coast Guard, Navy, Marines and National Guard
7. Gates Millennium Scholars
8. Rudd Foundation Scholarship
9. Places of employment
10. College/university financial aid pages

# When and how to apply

- Encourage students to apply for as many scholarships as they are eligible for to increase the chances of being awarded.
- Apply even for the small scholarship awards.
- Create reusable materials like essays, outlines, mission statements, etc.
- If you are invited to an interview, treat it like you would a job interview.





## Essay or no essay?

*Do the math:*

*Spend 2 hours  
working on a  
\$500  
scholarship  
application*

*OR*

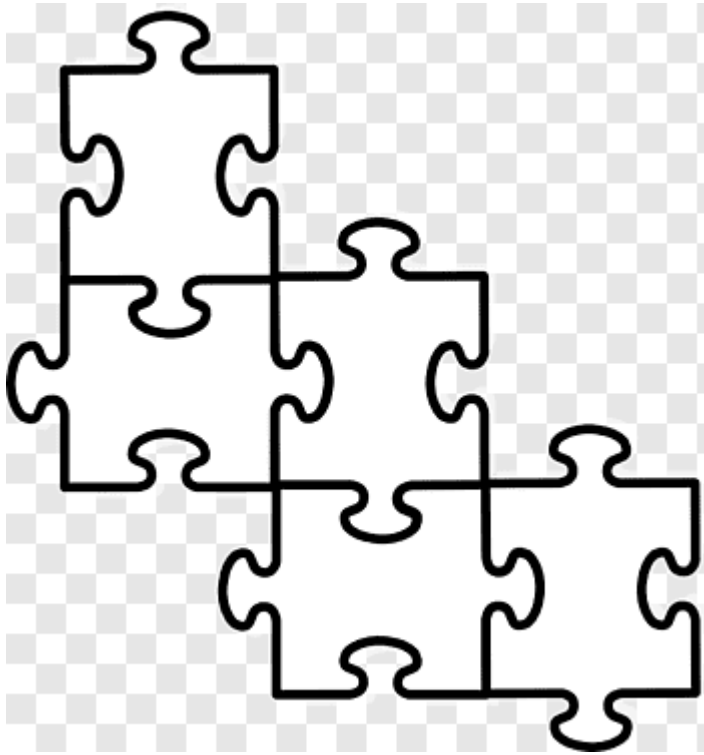
*Spend 23 hours  
working to pay  
of \$500 in  
student loans*

*Find a webpage or helpful source to get the student started on writing an essay*

*There are about 4 or 5 typical questions that are asked.*

*Once the student has written one or two essays, they most likely can be used for another application without too much rewriting*

# Scholarship search services



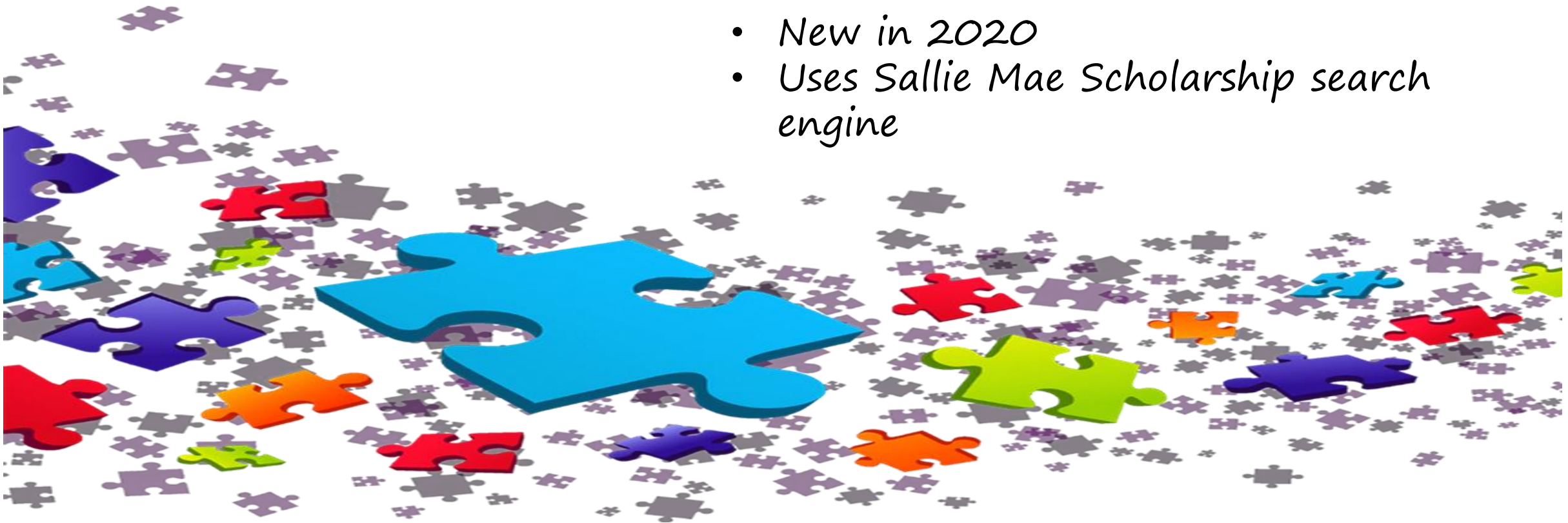
- [FastWeb.com](http://FastWeb.com)
- [Unigo](http://Unigo)
- [Bigfuture.CollegeBoard.org/scholarship-search](http://Bigfuture.CollegeBoard.org/scholarship-search)
- [Sallie Mae](http://SallieMae)
- [Broke Scholar](http://BrokeScholar)
- [CareerOneStop](http://CareerOneStop)
- [Scholarships.com](http://Scholarships.com)
- [SuperCollege](http://SuperCollege)
- [Finaid.org/scholarships](http://Finaid.org/scholarships)
- [Academicinvest.com](http://Academicinvest.com)
- [Kansas ScholarShop](http://KansasScholarShop)

Tip: Students should only pick one or two scholarship searches to sign up for. The emails and results can be overwhelming.



# Kansas ScholarShop

- [www.kansasstatetreasurer.com/ScholarShop](http://www.kansasstatetreasurer.com/ScholarShop)
- New in 2020
- Uses Sallie Mae Scholarship search engine





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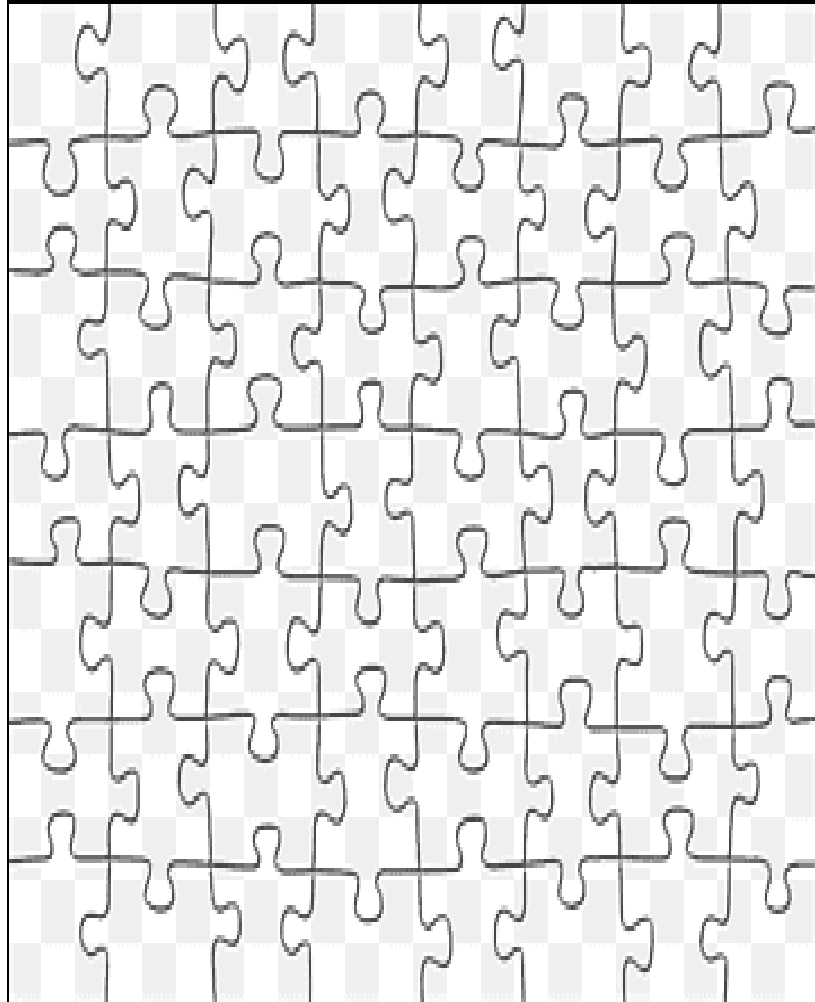
Register for Scholarship Search



The rising cost of higher education can be a discouraging factor for many Kansans in pursuit of attending their dream college or technical school. That's why the Kansas State Treasurer's office has launched the Kansas ScholarShop initiative. ScholarShop aims to restore hope and excitement for students seeking educational and career advancement after high school. With access to 5 million scholarships worth up to \$24 billion; students can search and find scholarships, grants and awards tailored specifically to their deepest passions.

-  What is the Kansas ScholarShop ▾
-  Why Use a Scholarship Search Engine ▾
-  Who Can use this Scholarship Search Engine ▾
-  How Does the Scholarship Search engine work ▾
-  I'm Excited, Let's GO! ▾

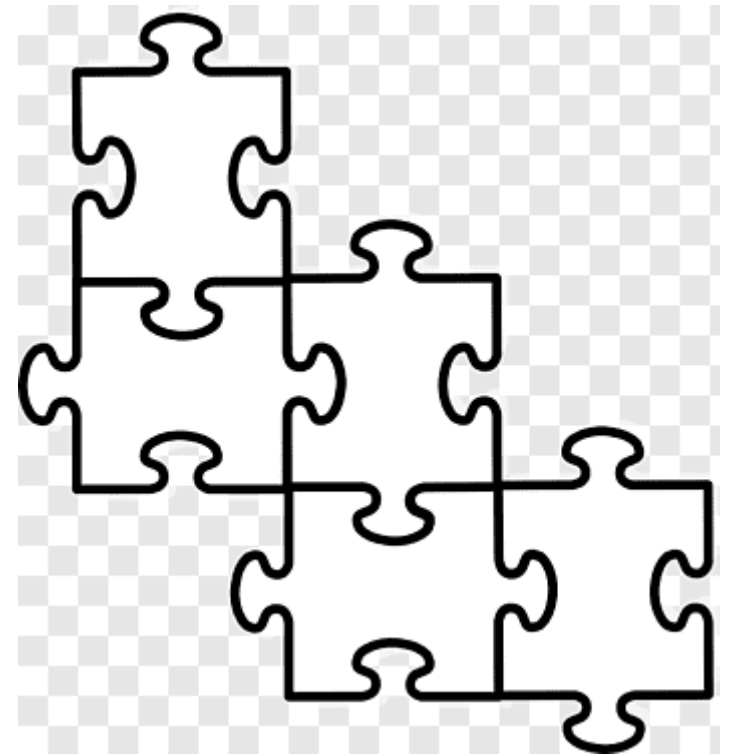
# Scholarship Scams



- Make sure to alert your students and families to watch for scholarship scams
  - Don't pay for someone to fill out the FAFSA form – know the programs with the FAFSA form and how they work
  - Don't pay for an application for a scholarship
  - Didn't apply for a scholarship that you have been informed that you have won
  - Research past winners of the scholarship
  - Don't provide financial information

# Minority Scholarship searches

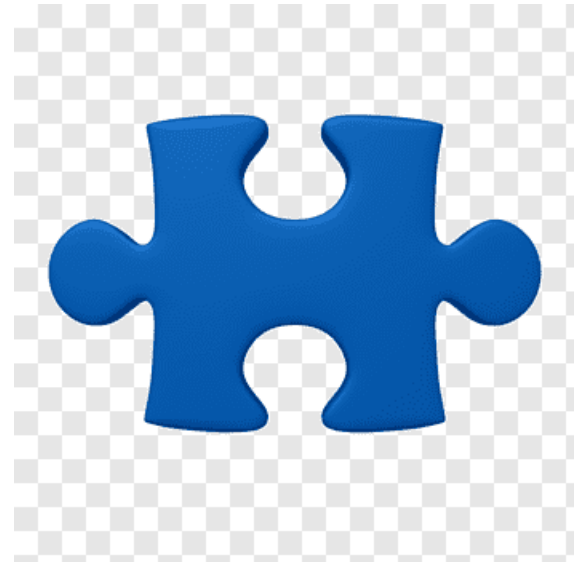
- *United Negro College Fund*
- *America's Black Collegians*
- *Hispanic Scholarship Fund*
- *American Indian Scholarship Fund*
- *Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship fund*
- *Latino College Dollars*
- *Native American tribes*



# High School Counselor and scholarship searches

- The high school counselor might be the only source for telling students about a scholarship
- Be sure to have a clear way to inform students (and parents) about scholarships
  - Webpage
  - Printed pages
  - Bulletin board
  - Email blasts

Tip: Have students apply for scholarship early and often



# Ideas for informing students about scholarships

- List scholarships by priority date
- Weekly/bi-weekly update on scholarships
- Emails to students/parents
- Make sure webpages are up to date
- Have a student (or student group) assist help with gathering and disbursing scholarship information
- Have a workshop (zoom or in-person) to have students work on scholarships

# State of Kansas Programs

## Kansas Comprehensive Grant

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- 19 private colleges, the 6 state universities, and Washburn
  - File FAFSA by April 1 - no application needed
  - Financial Need
  - Enroll full-time
- \$3,500 max / \$200 min – Private Institutions
- \$1,500 max / \$ 100 min – Public Institutions



# State of Kansas Programs

## KS State Scholarship and KS Ethnic Minority Scholarship

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- Public/private 4-yr & community colleges
- FAFSA by April 1 and state application by May 1
- Need + Merit; full-time enrollment
- Renewable for up to 4 years
- **Kansas State Scholarship** - \$1,000
  - Must be a designated state scholar
- **KS Ethnic Minority Scholarship** - \$1,850
  - Must identify as an ethnic minority
  - Meet KBOR's academic requirements



[kansasregents.org](http://kansasregents.org)



# State of Kansas Programs

## Kansas Career Technical Workforce Grant

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- Available to technical schools & colleges, community colleges and state universities w/technical programs
- FAFSA by April 1 and state application by May 1
- Awarded to students enrolled in high demand/critical industry programs of study. Priority to given to those with financial need
- \$1,000 \*can be prorated
- Available to part-time and full-time students





# State of Kansas Programs

## Military Service Scholarship

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- 4-yr publics, community colleges & technical colleges
- Served in military service in international waters or on foreign soil in support of military operations for which the person received hostile fire pay for at least 90 days after September 11, 2001
- Must provide documentation such as DD-214 or active duty orders
- Maximum Award – tuition & required fees, subject to appropriations.
- FAFSA by April 1 and state application by May 1
- Full or part-time

# State of Kansas Programs

## Nursing & Teacher Service Scholarships

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- Public & private 4-yr institutions & community colleges
- FAFSA by April 1 and state application by May 1
- Merit (Need considered if more applicants than funding)
- Renewable
- Service Obligation – 1 yr of service for 1 yr of scholarship
- Nursing Service Scholarship – \$4,500 RN/\$3,500 LPN
  - Full-time, must acquire a sponsor
- Teacher Service Scholarship – \$5,536 (2020-2021) \*can be prorated
  - Enrolled full time or part-time in program leading to licensure in a hard to fill discipline (Special Education, Math, Science, elementary education, English, Fine & Performing Arts)
  - Teach in underserved geographic area

# State of Kansas Programs

## Kansas National Guard Educational Assistance

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- Public & independent 4-yr institutions, community colleges, & technical colleges
- FAFSA Required
  - Fall Application Deadline August 31
  - Spring Application Deadline January 31
- Full or part-time
- Service obligation – student agrees to complete their current military service obligation for 24 months after their last semester



# State of Kansas Programs

## ROTC Service Scholarship

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- Participating public universities- KU, KSU, PSU, WSU and Washburn
- Recipients selected at institution & separate application required
- Full-time
- Award – up to 70% of cost of attendance
- Service obligation – after completion of degree student must become commissioned as a Second Lieutenant and serve for not less than 4 yrs. as a commissioned officer with the Kansas Army National Guard



# State of Kansas Programs

## Kansas Career Work-Study

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- Available at 4-yr public institutions
- Recipients selected at institution & separate application required
- FAFSA required
- Need-based
- Full-time or part-time
- Students work in career-related occupations off-campus

# State of Kansas Programs Fee Waivers

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- *In-state tuition for certain undocumented students*
- *Dependents & Spouses of Deceased Public Safety Officers*
- *Dependents & Spouses of Deceased Military Personnel*
- *Former Prisoners of War*



# Foster Care Fee Waiver

Students apply through the KS Department of Children & Families

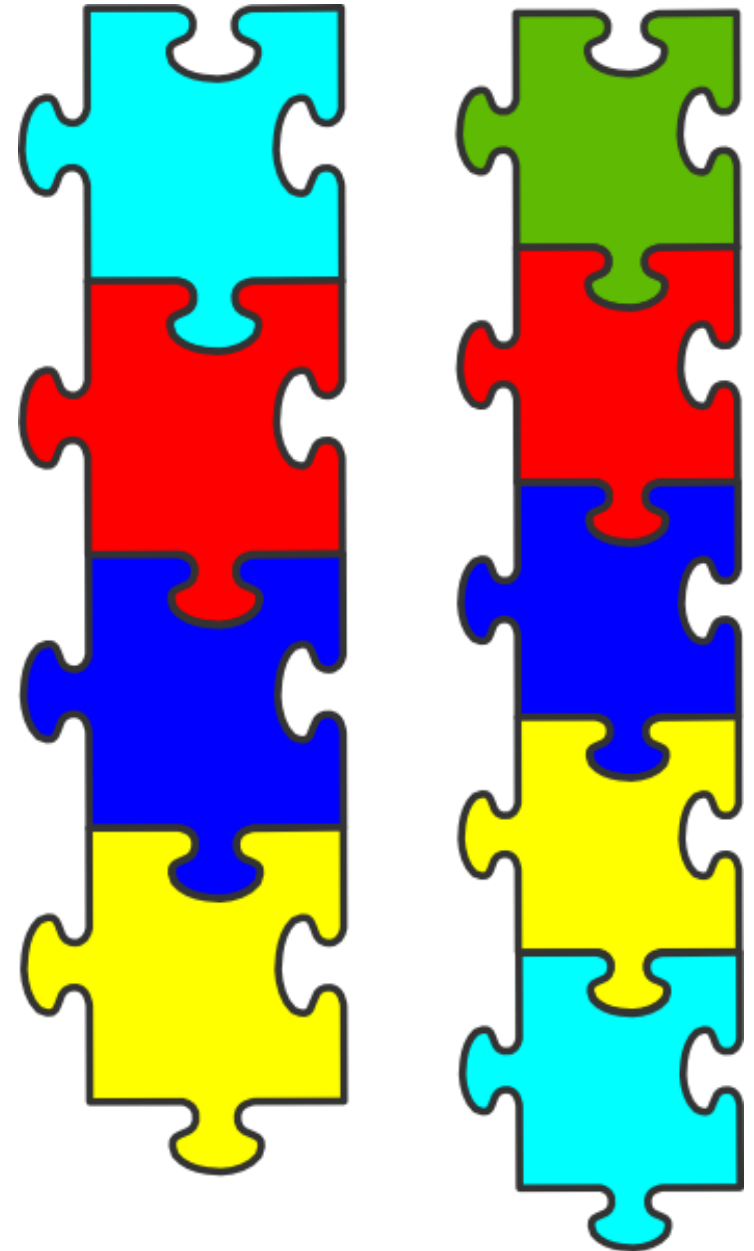
- Eligible applicant enrolls in a Kansas educational institution on or after July 1, 2006; and
- The applicant was in custody of DCF and in a foster care placement on the date such applicant reached 18 years of age; or
- prior to age 18 graduated from high school or fulfilled the requirements for a GED while in foster care placement and custody of DCF; or
- adopted from a foster care placement on or after applicant's 16th birthday; or
- left a foster care placement subject to a guardianship under chapter 38 or 59 of the K.S.A. on or after applicant's 16th birthday.

The Kansas Department of Children & Families Central Office must verify the applicant's eligibility status prior to enrollment.



# Resources

- [Studentaid.ed.gov](http://Studentaid.ed.gov)
- [Financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov](http://Financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov)
- [KSdegreestats.org](http://KSdegreestats.org)
- KASFAA – [kasfaa.org](http://kasfaa.org)
- Net Price Calculators
- NASFAA – [nasfaa.org](http://nasfaa.org)



# More Workshops Coming!!

All Workshops will  
be presented via



*Unique Student Situations & the FAFSA – November 18, 2020*

*Financial Literacy – January 13, 2021*

*Financial Aid 102 – the Post FAFSA Process – February 16, 2021*

