

# DON'T JUST DREAM ABOUT COLLEGE... GO!

## THE OREGON OPPORTUNITY GRANT HAS MONEY FOR COLLEGE FOR YOU!

Oregon has made college more affordable by doubling its investment in your college success. The expanded Oregon Opportunity Grant means that low and middle income students will receive more financial support to attend and graduate from college.

### Ten important points for you to know:

1. Grants, money you will not need to pay back, will be available to students who are from low and middle income families.
2. It is expected that over 33,000 Oregon students will qualify for grants next year. That's an increase of about 6,000 new students!
3. Annual amount of state support for the Opportunity Grant doubled to \$72 million in 2008-09 (fall of 2008).
4. The average amount of the grant will increase significantly for most students, and the maximum has doubled.
5. In combination with the expected increase in the federal Pell Grant, most eligible full-time students at public institutions will receive an increase in grant support of over \$1,000 per year.
6. Families with incomes up to \$70,000 may be eligible (based on family of 4).
7. Earning a scholarship and college savings will not reduce the grant amount.
8. You must complete a FAFSA for each year to be considered.
9. Grants can only be used at a community college, or a public or independent university in Oregon.
10. College is affordable... being under-educated and under-prepared is expensive.



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