

Tuition Incentive Program

Eligibility for Both Phase I and Phase II

- Provide evidence of eligibility ("eligibility letter") to the college financial aid office.
- Obtain a high school diploma, certificate of completion, or GED prior to age 20.
- Be enrolled at least half-time in a program earning less than 80 semester or 120 term credits.
- Be a Michigan resident as determined by the college/university.
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or approved refugee.
- Meet the college/university satisfactory academic progress (SAP) policy.

Eligible Colleges and Universities

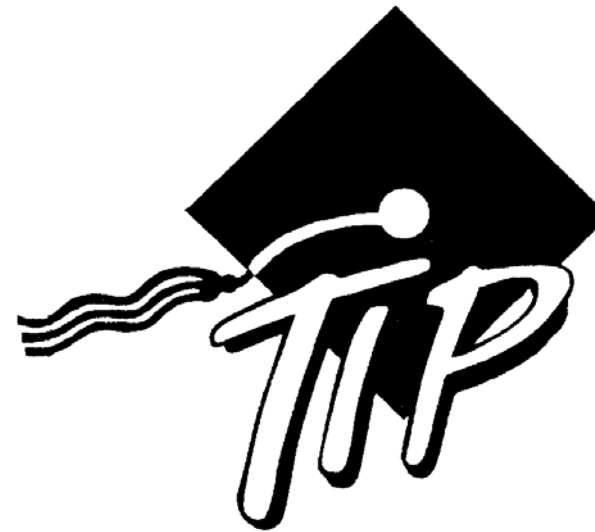
For a complete list of participating colleges and universities in the State of Michigan, visit Student Scholarships and Grants web site at www.michigan.gov/ssg or call 1-888-4-GRANTS

For More Information:

Contact the Tuition Incentive Program, Student Scholarships and Grants, at the toll free number 1-888-4-GRANTS (1-888-447-2687), email ssg@michigan.gov or fax 517-241-5835.



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Eligibility

To be eligible for the Tuition Incentive Program (TIP), a student must have (or have had) Medicaid coverage for 24 months within any 36-consecutive-month period as identified by the Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS). Students can become TIP eligible as early as age 12. Since the student must be Medicaid eligible for 24 months out of a 36-consecutive-month period, we begin to look at the 36 month period prior to the date of the student's 12th birthday and go forward until high school graduation. *Medicaid prior to that 36-month period cannot be counted.*

Application

Once a student has been identified by DHS as having met the Medicaid eligibility requirement, Student Scholarships and Grants (SSG) will send the student an application. The student must complete and return the form to SSG before graduation* from high school or completion of a GED. Students must graduate or obtain a GED before their 20th birthday.

Certification

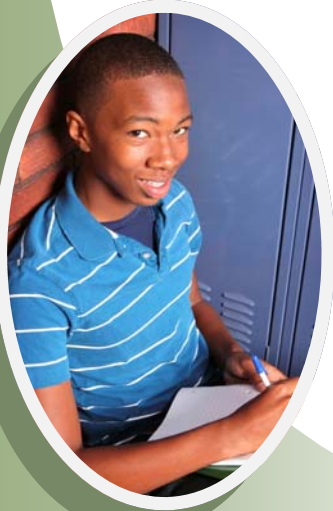
SSG will send an "eligibility letter" in the student's senior year of high school. The student should present this letter to their college financial aid office upon enrollment to receive payment from TIP. *The student is responsible for notifying SSG of a change in their college choice.*



Eligibility Checklist

- ⇒ Received 24 months of Medicaid eligibility within a 36-consecutive month period between age 12 and high school graduation.*
- ⇒ Completed and returned application form to Student Scholarships and Grants before high school graduation or obtaining a GED.
- ⇒ Graduated from high school or obtained a GED before age 20.

* Graduation means finishing high school with a diploma or certificate of completion.



Program Limits

Students must begin using TIP by enrolling at a participating college within four years of high school graduation or GED completion. Eligibility ends ten years from the date of high school graduation or GED completion. Future awards are subject to available and approved funding.

TIP Phase I Covers:

- The cost of tuition at the current in-district rate at participating Michigan community colleges.
- The cost of tuition at the lower level resident rate at participating Michigan public universities.
- Current rate of \$86 per credit hour at participating degree-granting independent colleges, federally tribally-controlled colleges or Focus: HOPE. (Amount is based on the average Michigan community college in-district rate.)
- Mandatory fees up to \$250 per semester or term. (Allowable fees are registration/enrollment fees, student activity/student services fees and technology fees.)

Not all colleges and universities offer associate degree programs. If the college or university does not offer two-year associate degree or certificate program, the student will not receive TIP for the first two years.

TIP Phase II Covers:

- Tuition and mandatory fee assistance not to exceed \$500 per semester or \$400 per term up to a maximum of \$2,000 for credits earned in a four-year program at a Michigan degree-granting college or university.
- Phase II must be completed within 30 months of completion of Phase I requirements.

Students can receive Phase II benefits without having received Phase I benefits. To receive Phase II benefits, the student must have one of the following:

- 56 transferable semester or 84 transferable term credits.
- An associate degree or certificate.
- Cannot go back to Phase I.

