



State Update

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Agenda

- **Scholars 30th Anniversary**
- **2020-2021 Award Year Timeline**
- **2020-2021 FAFSA Completion Update**
- **ISFAA-CHE State Aid Webinar Series**
- **Upcoming Changes**
- **2020 Legislative Update**
- **Open Forum**



Scholars 30th Anniversary

- Indiana's 21st Century Scholars program will celebrate **30 years of growth and success** in 2020.
- Over **40,000** students have earned a college degree.
- Nearly **100,000** students currently enrolled.



Scholars 30th Anniversary

- **We need your help celebrating!**
- Digital materials for promoting the Scholars 30th Anniversary are available at <https://learnmoreindiana.org/scholars-turns-30/>



Scholars 30th Anniversary

- **21st Century Scholars Day**
 - **Tuesday, February 11, 2020**
 - The public and Scholar alumni are invited to participate in 21st Century Scholars Day from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Indiana Statehouse. The Commission's annual State of Higher Education address will begin at 4 p.m. and a reception will follow.



Scholars 30th Anniversary

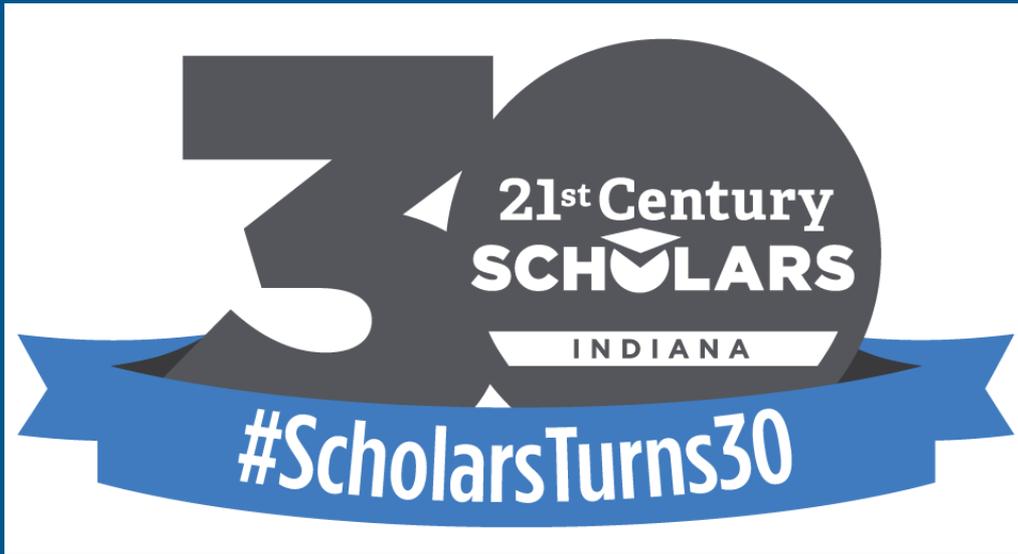
- **21st Century Scholars 30th Anniversary Celebration**
 - **Thursday, June 4, 2020**
 - Hear from a panel of current 21st Century Scholars and Scholar alumni and special guests, and browse through historical pieces from throughout the 30-year history of the program.



Scholars 30th Anniversary

- **2020 Student Advocates Conference**
 - **December 2020**
 - The state's annual educational conference for student advocates at the K-12 and postsecondary levels will include a call to the future and a look back over three decades of supporting income-eligible Hoosiers.







2020-2021 FAFSA Completion Update



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As of January 17, 2020...

Indiana residents:

- 115,884 applications (up 2.7% year-to-date)

Indiana high school seniors:

- 27,688 applications (NCAN FAFSA Tracker) or 34.3%
- 29,469 applications (ScholarTrack) or 36.4%

Senior 21st Century Scholars:

- 5,608 applications or 39.3%



2020-2021 FAFSA Completion Update

- Beginning in 2019, Indiana high schools are required to sign a data-sharing agreement with ICHE to participate in the federal government's FAFSA Completion Initiative.
- ICHE provides student-level FAFSA completion data to participating high schools through ScholarTrack.
- 476 high schools – including all traditional public schools – have signed an agreement to date.





2020-2021 Award Year Timeline



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Dates subject to change. Best estimates!

March 12, 2020

Indiana Commission for Higher Education adopts 2020-2021 Frank O'Bannon Grant Schedule of Awards

April 15, 2020

2020-2021 FAFSA filing deadline for Frank O'Bannon Grant and 21st Century Scholarship

May 1, 2020

Updated ScholarTrack file layout specifications released



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2020-2021 Award Year Timeline

Dates subject to change. Best estimates!

June 15, 2020

Deadline for high schools to report graduation data in ScholarTrack

June 22, 2020

2020-2021 award offers available to institutions in ScholarTrack;

2020-2021 version of Indiana State Aid Manual released

July 6, 2020

ICHE begins sending 2020-2021 award notification emails to students.





State Aid Webinar Series

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ISFAA-ICHE State Aid Webinar Series

Program Overview: 21st Century Scholarship, Frank O'Bannon Grant, and Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship

Wednesday, February 26, 2020, 1 – 2:30 PM EDT

Financial Aid Agreed-Upon Procedures (AUP) Guidelines

Tuesday, March 24, 2020, 1 – 2:30 PM EST

Program Overview: Next Level Jobs, Adult Student Grant, and Workforce Ready Grant

Thursday, April 30, 2020, 1 – 2:30 PM EST



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ISFAA-ICHE State Aid Webinar Series

2020-2021 Legislative and Policy Update

Tuesday, May 26, 2020, 1 – 2:30 PM EST

Program Overview: Tuition and Fee Exemptions (CVO) and National Guard Supplemental Grant

Thursday, June 25, 2020, 1 – 2:30 PM EST

Applying, Disbursing, and Claiming State Financial Aid

Wednesday, September 23, 2020, 1 – 2:30 PM EST



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ISFAA-ICHE State Aid Webinar Series

Program Overview: William A. Crawford Minority Teacher Scholarship, Next Generation Hoosier Educators Scholarship, Earline S. Rogers Student Teaching Stipend for Minorities, Student Teaching Stipend for High-Need Fields

Tuesday, October 27, 2020, 1 – 2:30 PM EST

Credit Completion and Credit Bank Reporting

Thursday, November 19, 2020, 1 – 2:30 PM EDT



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Upcoming Changes



21st Century Scholars Secondary Means Test

- Beginning with high school graduating class of 2020, Scholars must have a household size and household income on the FAFSA that is below 370% of the Federal Poverty Level.
- Scholars who exceed the secondary means test are removed from the program and may receive a one-time \$2,500 award.

Family Size	370% of the 2018 Federal Poverty Level
1	\$44,918
2	\$60,902
3	\$76,886
4	\$92,870

Add \$15,984 for each additional family member



21st Century Scholars Secondary Means Test

- Any Scholars above the threshold who are still Pell eligible are exempt.
- Any Scholars who enrolled due to placement in a legal guardianship or foster care are exempt.
- Scholars in high school graduating classes earlier than 2020 will still be held to the \$24,570 EFC means test until the 2023-2024 award year.



21st Century Scholars Secondary Means Test

Household Income

FISAP Total Income (ISIR Field #329) minus **Veteran Noneducation Benefits** (ISIR Field #62 and #129 for dependent students, just #62 for independent students)

Household Size

Parents' Number of Family Members (ISIR Field #94) for dependent students; **Student's Number of Family Members** (ISIR Field #128) for independent students



SAP Requirement for CVO

- Effective for terms beginning after **July 1, 2020**, Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) is required for all Tuition and Fee Exemptions (CVO) at public institutions.



College Scholar Success Program

- Beginning 2020-2021, 21st Century Scholars in the high school graduating class of 2019 or later are required to annually complete a College Scholar Success Program.
- This will first impact award renewal in 2021-2022 award year.



GRADE	REQUIRED ACTIVITIES		
	ALL 4 ANNUALLY COLLEGE PERFORMANCE	1+ PER YEAR COLLEGE ENGAGEMENT	1+ PER YEAR CAREER PREPARATION
FIRST YEAR FRESHMAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete 30 Credits Per Year <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) <input type="checkbox"/> File Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) <input type="checkbox"/> Identify 1 Mentor/Champion** 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer Bridge Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informational Interview
SECOND YEAR SOPHOMORE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete 30 Credits Per Year <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) <input type="checkbox"/> File Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) <input type="checkbox"/> Identify 1 Mentor/Champion** 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Student Orientation/ Transfer Student Orientation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Job Shadow
THIRD YEAR JUNIOR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete 30 Credits Per Year <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) <input type="checkbox"/> File Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) <input type="checkbox"/> Identify 1 Mentor/Champion** 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First-Year Experience • Living-Learning Community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional Resume • Portfolio
FOURTH YEAR SENIOR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete 30 Credits Per Year <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) <input type="checkbox"/> File Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) <input type="checkbox"/> Identify 1 Mentor/Champion** 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campus Involvement* • Study Abroad* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internship* (or equivalent) • Student-Faculty Research*



2020 Legislative Update



Overview

- A total of **902** bills were introduced this Session
- More than **166** bills directly impact P-12 and higher education
- We are tracking only **nine** bills fewer bills than last Session even though **442** fewer bills were filed



Overview

- The 3rd reading deadline is February 3rd in the House and February 4th in the Senate
- The second half of session will start February 10th
- Session is scheduled to end by March 14th





ICHE Agenda Bill



HB 1082: Various Higher Education Matters

You Can. Go Back. Renewal

- Removes language sun-setting the program
- Allows ICHE to contact stop-outs sooner

EARN Indiana Changes

- Removes hour restriction on summertime internships
- Removes requirement for juniors and below to fill out the FAFSA

Graduate Medical Education Board

- Technical change: Prevents GMEB funds from reverting to the Tobacco Master Settlement Fund.





Various Financial Aid Bills



FAFSA Requirements

SB 223:

- Requires all students to complete the FAFSA during senior year of high school
- Allows waivers
 - Parent refuses to fill it out
 - School has contacted parent with no response
 - Student is 18 or emancipated and can opt his or herself out
- Requires the Commission to include information about the requirement in the annual FAFSA notice



21st Century Scholars Program

HB 1066: Various Education Matters

- Allows dual enrollment high school students who are enrolled “full time” to access their 21st Century Scholarship prior to high school graduation.

HB 1321: Twenty-First Century Scholars Program

- Allows high school students enrolled in the 21st Century Scholars program to access their funding prior to high school graduation if enrolled in CELL approved early college program.



21st Century Scholars Program

SB 412: 21st Century Scholars Program

- Codifies the requirement that the Commission waive the one year matriculation requirement for religious mission trips.

SB 357: Twenty-First Century Scholars Program Eligibility

- Provides high school students receiving services under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance act to enroll in 21st Century Scholars after 8th grade.



Bills of Interest

HB 1007: Fiscal Matters

- Cash funds various capital project at public colleges and universities

HB 1414: Electric Generation

- Gives dislocated coal mine employees priority when awarding credit-bearing Workforce Ready Grants

SB 316: Collection of Veteran Status Information

- Requires various agencies, including ICHE, to include questions about veteran status on all applications



Military Aid Programs

HB 1329/HB1333/1398: Various CVO Bills

- Removes the 2011 reforms from the CVO program
- Restricts CVO to undergraduate programs
- Reduces eligibility by the amount of dual credit earned in high school

HB 1086: Reservist Tuition Supplement Program

- Creates a program NGSF like program for Reservists



New Programs

HB 1110: Health Workforce Student Loan Repayment Program

HB 1340: Repayment of Federal Student Loans

SB 64: Indiana Youth Service Program

SB 287: Scholarship in Health Care for Minority Students





Open Forum

Any questions?





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