Georgia Dept of Early Care

Academic Scholarships for college in 4 steps

1

Determine your eligibility for DECAL Scholars.

You may be eligible if you've been employed for at least 6 months, working at least 30 hours per week at a Department of Defense or DECAL-licensed child care center, family child care learning home, exempt Head Start Center, or a Georgia Lottery-funded Pre-K (or 15 hours per week at a DECAL-licensed after school program). Learn more at outreach.decalscholars.com/collegescholarships.

2

Apply for financial aid.

Before applying to DECAL Scholars, you must first check eligibility or show proof of ineligibility for financial aid programs. Refer to studentaid.gov and gafutures.org for complete information and deadlines.

3

Apply and receive acceptance to an eligible program of study at a Georgia college/university.

Credential/degree:

- Technical Certificate of Credit (TCC)
- Technical College Diploma (TCD)
- Associate Degree
- Bachelor's Degree

Program of study:

- Early Childhood Education
- Early Childhood Program Administration
- Elementary Education (Pre-K 5)
- Infant/Toddler Care
- Child Development

Apply to DECAL Scholars up to 60 days before each semester starts.

4

Tuition & fees paid to the college after any financial aid each semester:

- Up to \$2,100 per semester for tuition and mandatory fees (at the Georgia resident tuition rate only) for a 4 Year College or University
- Up to \$425 per semester for tuition and mandatory fees for TCSG

Support stipend paid directly to you after each semester's add/drop period:

Support stipend of up to \$400





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to check your eligibility & apply today!

PREFER TO CALL? 770-642-6722 (ext. 602) Speak to a friendly team member