

# COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND



## COLORADO IN-STATE UNDERGRADUATES: APPLICATION FOR STATE OF COLORADO TUITION STIPEND AND AFFIDAVIT

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY AND COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS. *Incomplete applications will be returned.*

### 1. PERSONAL INFORMATION: Please provide one of the following identification numbers

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ -OR-

Permanent Resident Card Number: A \_\_\_\_\_ -OR-

Check this box if you do not have a Social Security Number or do not wish to use it.\*

\*If you check the above box, a unique COF identification number will be assigned to you and you will be required to give this number to each college you attend in order to receive this funding.

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (Must be at least 13 years old): \_\_\_\_\_ (MM/DD/YYYY)

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Required**

### 2. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. I am currently a high school student applying for COF because I am or will be enrolled in a Concurrent Enrollment or ASCENT (5<sup>th</sup> year high school & college) program. **CHECK ONLY ONE BOX**

Yes  No

If you answered "Yes" no further information is required. Please sign and date the application and submit it to the College Opportunity Fund as directed at the bottom of this page.

If you answered "No" please answer question 2B below.

B. I do not have lawful immigration status. I am seeking in-state tuition based solely on attendance at a public or private high school in Colorado for at least three years immediately preceding the date I either (1) graduated from a Colorado high school OR (2) completed a general equivalency diploma (GED) in Colorado. **CHECK ONLY ONE BOX**

Yes  No

If you answered "Yes" sign this form, complete the Affidavit on the next page AND provide the following:

Complete name of the Colorado high school you attended: \_\_\_\_\_; OR

Location in Colorado where you received your GED: \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered "No", please sign and date the application and submit this page to the College Opportunity Fund.

Signature

Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

Mail the completed application to:

**College Opportunity Fund  
1560 Broadway, Suite 1700  
Denver, Colorado 80202**

Or fax the completed application to:

**(303) 292-1606**

# AFFIDAVIT

(REQUIRED FOR STUDENTS WITHOUT LAWFUL IMMIGRANT STATUS)

Individuals seeking in-state tuition based solely on attendance at a public or private high school in Colorado for at least three years immediately preceding the date the student either (1) graduated from a Colorado high school OR (2) completed a general equivalency diploma (GED) in Colorado, who do not have lawful immigration status must execute the following Affidavit:

I hereby swear or affirm under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Colorado that:

- I have applied for lawful presence in the United States; OR
- I will apply for lawful presence in the United States as soon as I am able to do so.

I understand that this sworn statement is required by law. I further acknowledge that making a false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or representation in this sworn affidavit may constitute a violation of the criminal laws of Colorado as perjury in the second degree pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute 18-8-503.

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|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| _____             | _____     | _____                    |
| <b>First Name</b> | <b>MI</b> | <b>Last Name</b>         |
| _____             | _____     | _____                    |
| <b>Signature</b>  |           | <b>Date (MM/DD/YYYY)</b> |

My Colorado High School SASID \_\_\_\_\_\*

\*Optional but not required

- What is my Colorado High School SASID? SASID stands for State Assigned Student ID. It is a 10 digit number assigned to you because you attended a public school in the state of Colorado and is available to you through your high school (if public). Many high schools list this number on your high school transcript.
- If you graduated from a private high school but attended a public school at any time since 2003, your public school would have assigned a SASID and you may be able to request it from the last public school that you attended or the school district.
- Can I submit this application without this number? Yes. You do not need to provide this number to apply for COF, but if you know your SASID please provide it.
- Why is the SASID important? This number will need to be added to your COF account before the college you attend can request this state funding on your behalf.
- College Assist will make every effort to find your SASID if you do not know it, but COF payments may be withheld until your SASID is identified.

## **IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- 3.** You only have to apply for COF once. You will receive the stipend each term you take eligible undergraduate courses at a college participating in the College Opportunity Fund (COF) and have not exhausted the 145 lifetime credit hours allotted by the state of Colorado when you applied for this state funding.
- 4.** If you signed the Affidavit, you only have to complete it once, even if you transfer to another college.
- 5.** For privacy purposes, the information you provide on the Stipend Application, will only be available to you and the college you are attending. The college, with your authorization, will use this information to match your COF account to information you have provided the college when a request for payment is made on your behalf, and will be used to help you access your account information if you forget your User ID and/or password.
- 6.** Completing this Stipend Application does not guarantee you admission into a Colorado college or university. You must complete the admission process with the college or university you wish to attend in the state of Colorado.
- 7.** Completing this Stipend Application does not make you a Colorado resident, nor does it begin any process to determine Colorado residency. The college or university you attend determines residency. If you have any question about whether you are considered a resident, contact the college or university you wish to attend.
- 8.** Completing this Stipend Application does not automatically make you eligible to receive this state funding. You must meet the requirements listed under the FAQ tab at: <http://cof.college-assist.org>. Your college or university determines your eligibility for this funding based on those requirements.
- 9.** Completing this Stipend Application does not make you eligible for financial aid. You must complete the financial aid process designated by the college or university you wish to attend.
- 10.** Future College Opportunity Fund payments are contingent on an annual appropriation by the Colorado General Assembly.

**If you have any questions regarding the College Opportunity Fund or this application** please contact us

**E-mail:** AskCOF@college-assist.org

**Telephone:** (720) 264-8550 OR

(800) 777-2757, if outside the Denver Metro Area.