The amount of financial aid you receive will depend on the price of the school and the amount that you and your family are expected to contribute. The difference between the total price of attendance and your expected family contribution is your financial need. To meet this need, the financial aid administrator puts together a package from various sources—beginning with federal, state or institutional grants and scholarships and then with work study and loans. The total amount of aid will depend on the availability of funds as well as state and school policies.

### Financial Aid Package

#### COMPARISON WORKSHEET

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### EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION:

- Parent’s Contribution: $800
- Student’s Contribution: 300

**TOTAL FAMILY CONTRIBUTION:** $1,100

### FINANCIAL NEED:

- Total Price of Attendance: $27,756
- Minus Total Family Contribution: - $1,100

**TOTAL FINANCIAL NEED:** $26,656

### FINANCIAL AID SOURCES:

- Federal Grants & Scholarships: $2,950
- State Grants & Scholarships: 4,111
- School Grants & Scholarships: 7,500
- Other Scholarships: 2,500
- Federal or State Work Study: 3,500
- Federal Loans: 2,625
- State Loans: 3,470

**TOTAL AID PACKAGE:** $26,656

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**Instructions**

To determine the price of attendance, talk with admissions and financial aid administrators at the schools that interest you.

To determine your family’s expected contribution, use our online [Financial Aid Estimator](http://www.getreadyforcollege.org). While not a substitute for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), the Estimator will give you a general idea about how much aid you may receive. The FAFSA still must be completed to apply for aid.