Missouri State A+ PROGRAM

A student who qualifies according to the following criteria and continues an education at a Missouri public community college or vocational-technical school is eligible for state reimbursed tuition and general fees for up to two years.

Complete information regarding the A+ Scholarship Program

Am I eligible?

To be eligible for assistance as a high school student, you must meet the following requirements:

- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
- Enter into a written agreement with your high school prior to graduation (Agreement forms found in the counseling center and also linked here: **A+ Agreement Form**).
- Attend a designated A+ high school for 2 years immediately prior to graduation.
- Graduate with an overall grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
- Have at least a 95% attendance record overall for grades 9-12.
- Perform at least 50 hours of unpaid tutoring or mentoring.
- Maintain a record of good citizenship and avoid the unlawful use of drugs and/or alcohol while in grades 9-12.
- Have achieved a score of proficient or advanced on the Algebra I end of course exam or a higher level DESE approved end-of-course exam in the field of mathematics.***

If you meet all of the eligibility requirements except the end of course exam requirement, you may establish eligibility by achieving a combined ACT math subscore and high school GPA in accordance with the following scale. You may achieve the qualifying score as a high school or post-secondary student. If you achieve the score as a post-secondary student you may be eligible for an award in the same term that you take the test.

ACT Math Score	High School GPA

17 or greater	and	2.5 or greater
16	and	2.8 or greater
15	and	3.0 or greater

How will I know if I am eligible?

The MDHE does not provide notice to students of eligibility. Contact your high school A+ Coordinator, Ginger Schutte, for your eligibility status based on the high school eligibility criteria. Eligibility will not be determined until the last day of a students senior year. Contact the financial aid office at the school you attend for your postsecondary eligibility status.

How long can I receive an award?

Your eligibility expires when the earliest of the following occurs:

- 48 months after the graduation date documented on your high school transcript.
    - Students providing service to any branch of the U.S. armed forces can defer their eligibility (see “Can the scholarship be deferred?” below).
    - Students graduating from high school in mid-year may be eligible for a spring award if their high school transcripts indicate the mid-year graduation date.
- Receipt of an associate’s degree
- Completion of 105% of the hours required for the program in which you are currently enrolled