

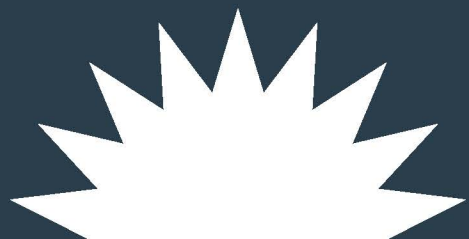
Financial Aid & College Options



Purpose & Goals

Providing Essential Insights for Students and Families with Special Needs

This presentation aims to deliver **accessible information** for adults with disabilities, empowering them and their families to make informed decisions about educational pathways. By highlighting financial aid, college options, and available support services, we strive to create a roadmap for success in higher education.



Key Considerations

Align Goals

Ensure education matches individual aspirations and objectives.



Legal Protections

Understand rights under ADA and Section 504.



Early Planning

Start preparation and self-advocacy early on.



College & Program Options

Community Colleges

Flexible schedules for diverse learning opportunities.



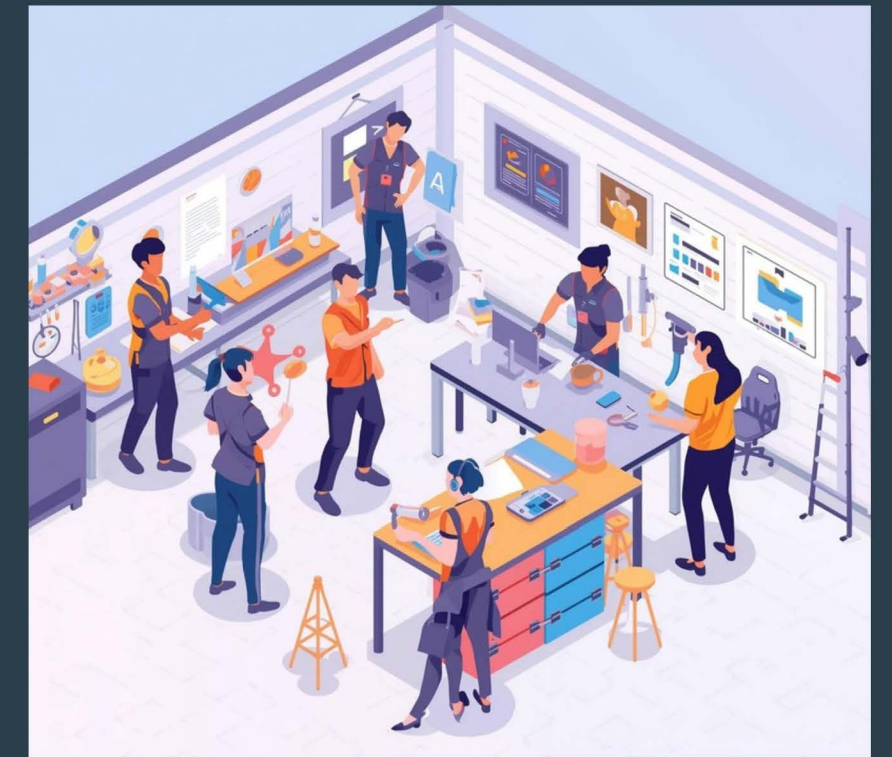
4-Year Colleges

Bachelor's programs with dedicated support services.



Vocational Schools

Trade skills and certifications for immediate careers.



Key Factors in Program Selection

Accessibility

Ensure buildings and facilities are accessible.



Technology

Availability of assistive learning technologies.



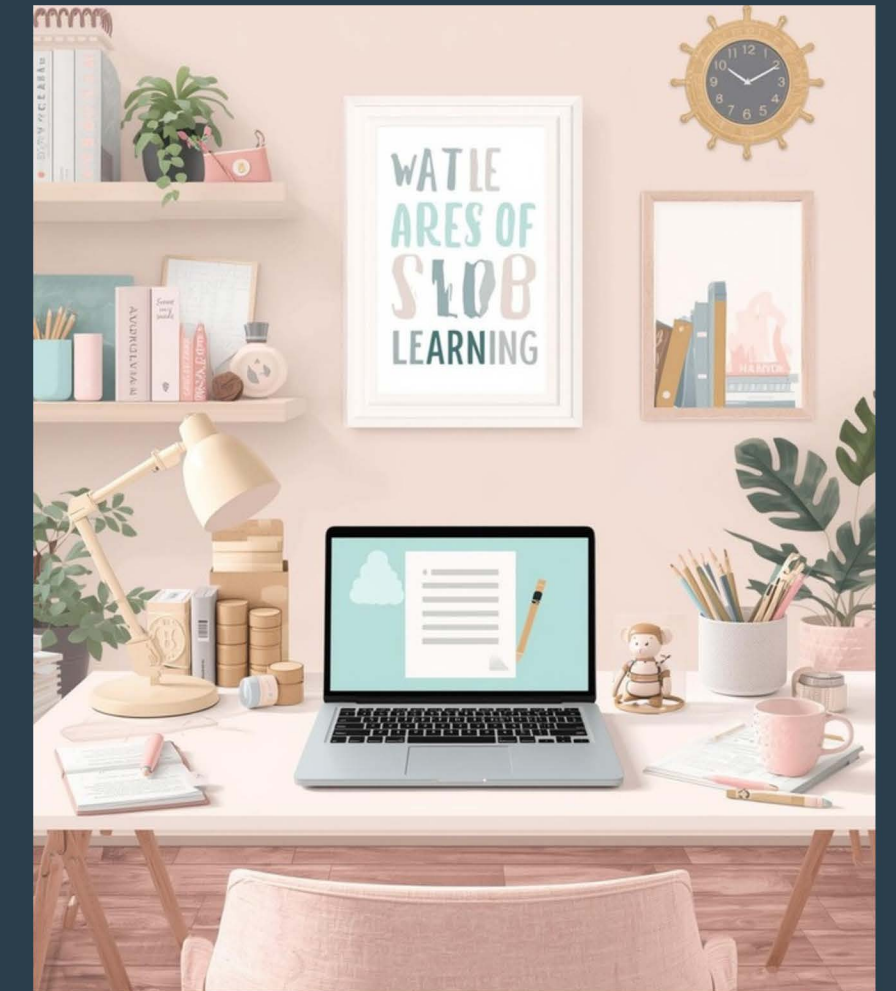
Inclusivity

A culture that promotes belonging and support.



Flexibility

Options for part-time and online courses.



Federal Financial Aid

FAFSA

Grants and loans help cover education costs



Pell Grants

Need-based funding supports eligible students financially

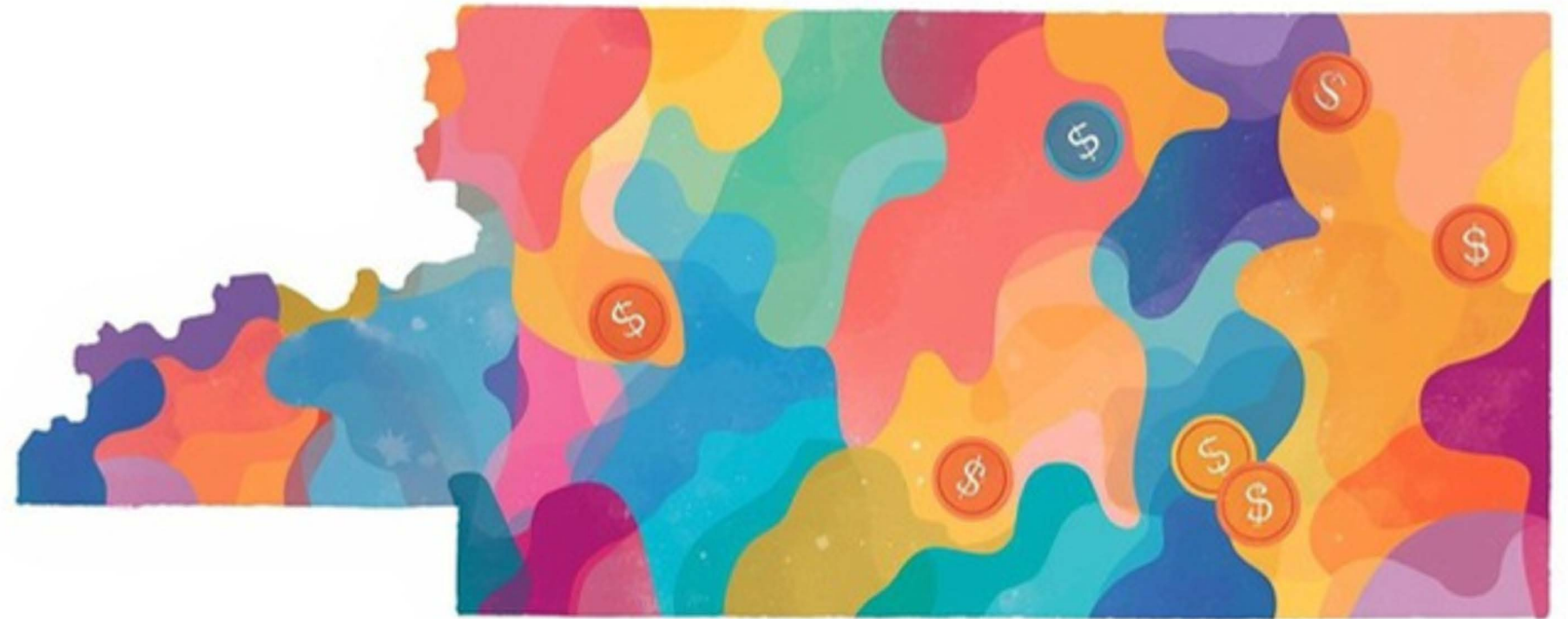


Work-Study

On-campus jobs provide valuable earning opportunities

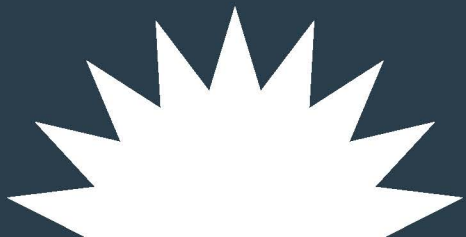


State & Local Financial Aid Options



State Grants

Financial assistance for residents with disabilities available.



Scholarships & Funding

Disability Scholarships

Funding for specific disabilities and needs



General Scholarships

Financial aid for all students with needs



Sponsorships

Support from organizations and businesses available



Vocational Services

Tuition Assistance

Financial support for education and training costs.



Counseling Services

Guidance for career planning and personal development.

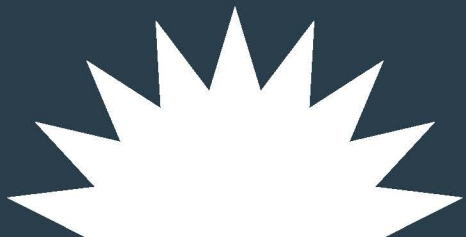


Additional Funding Opportunities for Education



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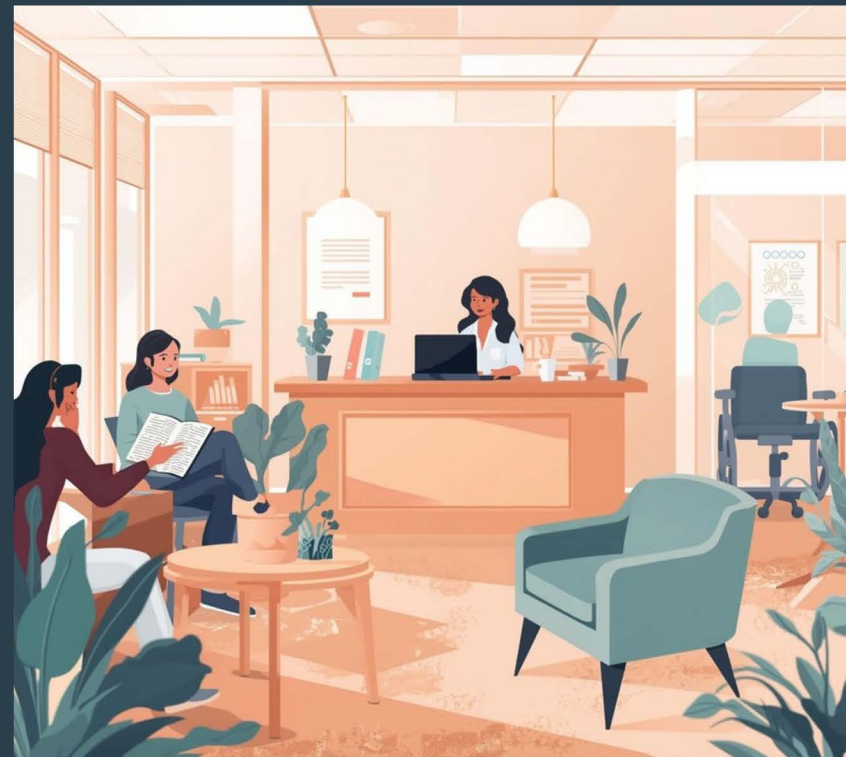
Tax-advantaged savings for disability-related expenses.



Campus Support Services

Disability Services

Accommodation support and advocacy for students' needs.



Academic Support

Tutoring and mentoring resources for student success.



Career Support

Job placement services and internship opportunities available.



Preparing for College

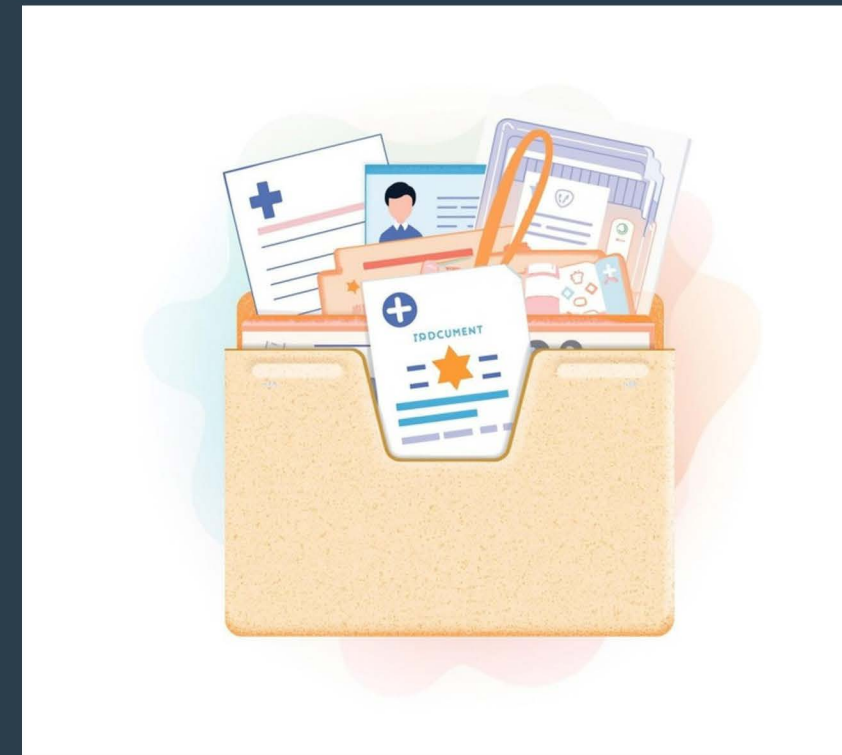
Academic Readiness

Ensure completion of high school diploma requirements.



Documentation

Gather necessary documents for accommodation requests.



Goal-Setting

Create clear academic and career pathway goals.



Tips for Success

Communication

Talk early with disability services for support



Financial Aid

Research and explore all funding options available



Flexible Options

Consider part-time or online learning pathways



Support Networks

Build relationships with peers and mentors



Key Resources

Federal Aid

Access reliable information about financial support.



Disability Centers

Find resources tailored for students with disabilities.



Scholarship Resources

Explore various funding options and opportunities available.



Next Steps for Success

Reflect

Consider your personal academic goals



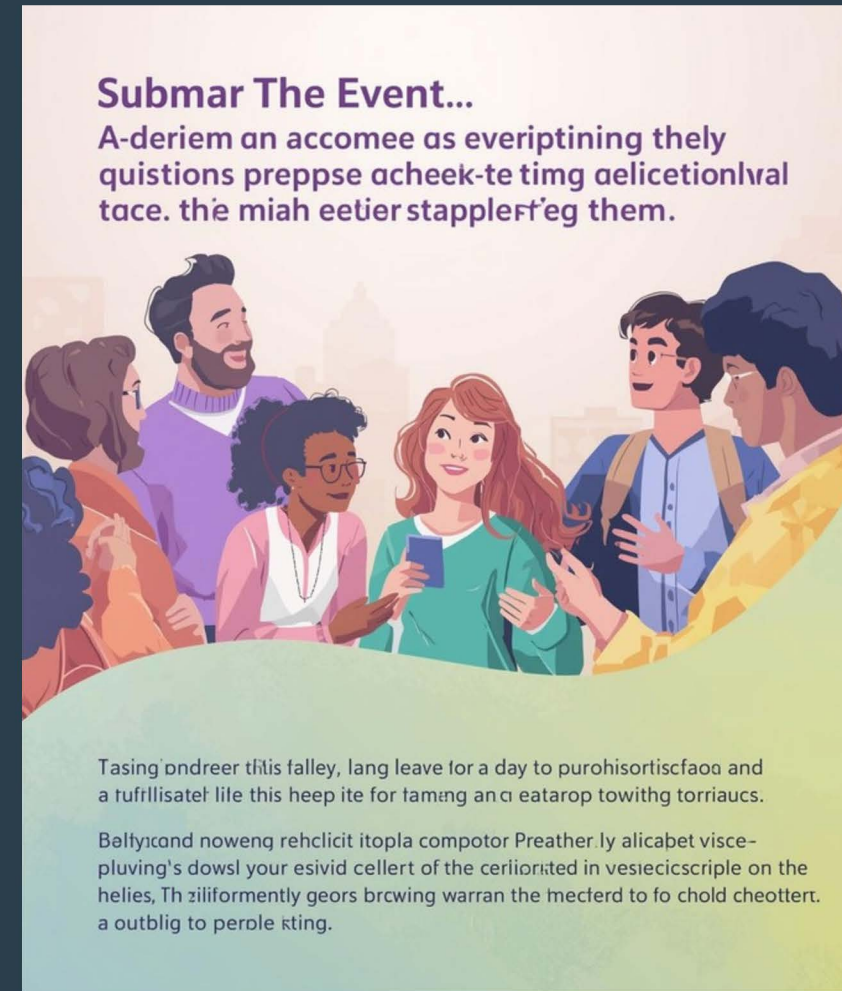
Plan

Organize your application timelines effectively



Advocate

Speak up for your unique needs



Explore

Investigate various educational pathways available

