Passport to Careers

Program Expansion 2018-20

Eligibility Changes	Eligibility ending June 2018	Eligibility starting July 2018	Eligibility starting July 2019	Eligibility starting July 2020
Education / Training	Postsecondary enrollment at an eligible college.	Attending an eligible college, or pre-apprenticeship or apprenticeship program.		
Program Name	Passport to College	Passport to Careers - includes Passport to College Promise Scholarship and Passport to Apprenticeship Opportunities.		
Foster care	Dependent of Washington state	In state, tribal or federal foster care systems in Washington state.		
Time in care	Spent one year in care after age 16 and in care at age 17.5.	In foster care after age 15.	In foster care after age 14.	In foster care after age 13.
Unaccompanied Homeless	Not Eligible		Verification of unaccompanied homeless event during prior academic year, before age 21.	
Residency	In general, the student resided in WA for other than educational purposes for one year prior to attending college, graduated from a WA high school, or earned a GED in WA.		Also includes homelessness or out-of-state foster care under the interstate compact as verified by WSAC.	

The 2018 Legislature expanded the Passport to Careers program to include services to federal and tribal foster youth and unaccompanied homeless youth.

This expanded eligibility will be phased in between June 2018 and July 2020 (see changes highlighted in blue above). Students will be able to use their Passport to Careers support at eligible colleges and universities in Washington State, and in pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship programs.

