

SOUTH DAKOTA OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

A QUICK GUIDE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The South Dakota Opportunity Scholarship is a state-funded, merit-based program designed to help South Dakota high school graduates afford college or technical school within the state.

WHO CAN APPLY?

You must:

- Be a South Dakota resident at the time of high school graduation.
- Plan to attend a participating South Dakota college, university, or technical school.
- Enter the program within 5 years of high school graduation (or within 1 year of military release if applicable).

ELIGIBILITY OPTIONS:

Option 1:

- ACT Composite or Super Score of 24 or higher (or SAT equivalent).
- Complete a specific high school curriculum with no grade below a "C" and a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.
 - English/Language Arts: 4 units
 - Mathematics: 4 units
 - Science: 4 units
 - Social Studies: 3 units
 - Fine Arts: 1 unit
 - World Language or Career & Technical Education: 2 units

Learn more about specific curriculum requirements through the QR code below.

Option 2:

- ACT Composite or Super Score of 28 or higher.
- No specific GPA or curriculum requirements.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT

Up to \$7,500 over four years:

- \$1,500 per year for the first three years.
- \$3,000 for the fourth year.

PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

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| • Augustana University | • Northern State University* |
| • Black Hills State University* | • South Dakota Mines* |
| • Dakota State University* | • South Dakota State University* |
| • Dakota Wesleyan University | • Southeast Technical College |
| • Lake Area Technical College | • University of Sioux Falls |
| • Mitchell Technical College | • University of South Dakota* |
| • Mount Marty University | • Western Dakota Technical College |

*SDBOR Universities



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HOW TO APPLY

- Visit the South Dakota Board of Regents (SDBOR) Scholarship Portal at sdbor.edu/scholarships
- Click the **Apply for Scholarships** button on the left-hand side
- **Determine if you have an SDBOR email address.**
 - You may have an SDBOR email address if you participated in High School Dual Credit or if you have been given an email address through the SDBOR institution you plan to attend.
 - If you do not have an SDBOR email, you need to **create a manual account.**
- **Login to view the available applications,** and select the South Dakota Opportunity Scholarship
- Submit your application by:
 - **June 1** (preferred) or September 1 for Fall enrollment.
 - **November 1** (preferred) or January 15 for Spring enrollment.

Note: Your high school transcript will be verified through the admissions process; no additional transcript submission is necessary.

NEED HELP?

Contact your school counselor or the South Dakota Board of Regents at (605) 773-3455.

For more information and to apply, visit the South Dakota Board of Regents Scholarship Portal: sdbor.edu/scholarships.

