



Innovate, Collaborate, Educate:
**Learning Beyond the Classroom
for Future-Ready Families**

Thursday, October 16 | 6-7:30 pm



**FEDERAL WAY
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**





Future Ready: Navigating College Funding for Families

Highline College

Presented by Teiya Shimomura

HIGHLINE
COLLEGE

All about Highline College

Who?	What?	Where?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Equity, diversity, and collaboration ● You're never alone! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A <u>two year</u> college ● Enter the workforce quicker ● Transfer Options 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Located in Des Moines, WA ● Hub in Federal Way, WA ● MAST in Redondo Beach, WA ● Various restaurants on campus! ● New light rail station stop!





DEGREE PATHWAYS



Arts, Design & Communications



Business, Hospitality & Tourism



Education & Human Services



Health, Wellness & Fitness



STEM



Humanities & Social Sciences



ELCAP



Exploratory

➔ What Highline College Offers



OVER 100 DEGREES!



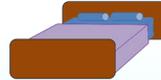
**SCHOLARSHIPS +
FINANCIAL AID**



**STUDENT ACTIVITIES +
LEARNING COMMUNITIES**



ACCESSIBLE CAMPUS



STUDENT HOUSING



ACADEMIC SUPPORT

- Keep in mind most colleges offer housing, tutoring, etc but may differ in programs + resources



Cost of Tuition: 2 year versus 4 year



Highline College

Seattle undergraduate student budget

Nine-month expenses for 2025-26

Budget items	Lives with parents/relatives	Lives on/off campus	Students with dependents
Books & course supplies	\$900	\$900	\$900
Housing & food	\$5,961	\$18,405	\$22,674
Personal/miscellaneous	\$2,508	\$2,508	\$2,508
Transportation	\$789	\$519	\$1,581
Resident tuition	\$13,406	\$13,406	\$13,406
Resident total costs	\$23,564	\$35,738	\$41,069
Non-resident tuition	\$44,640	\$44,640	\$44,640
Non-resident total costs	\$54,798	\$66,972	\$72,303

University of Washington

Things to consider when choosing a college?

- Cost of Attendance
- In state or out of state
- Colleges Funding options/Scholarships
 - *** this will differ college to college*
- Programs/Degrees offered
- Location

In-State Resident:
lived in WA state for at least 12 months

What does In state vs Out of state mean?

Non-Resident:
lived in WA state for less than 12 months

Credits	WA Resident Rate	Non-Resident, Eligible for Waiver Rate	Non-Resident/ Full Tuition Rate
1 - 10	\$131.96/credit	\$150.94/credit	\$339.30/credit
11 - 18	\$65.09/credit	\$66.10/credit	\$71.16/credit
19+	\$118.39/credit	\$118.59/credit	\$325.73credit

English 101 =
5 credits





What is the Cost of Attendance mean?

Item	Resident Off Campus	BAS Program Off Campus
Tuition/Fees*	\$4,740	\$7,572
Books	\$528	\$528
Housing	\$17,310	\$16,512
Transportation	\$2,898	\$2,898
Misc. Expenses	\$1,848	\$1,848
Total for 3 Quarters	\$27,324	\$30,156
Total Per Quarter	\$9,108	\$10,052

Ex: Highline College Cost of Attendance

How do I pay for College?





Funding Options

*

*

*

*

Grants

Money that does not need to be repaid (unless student withdraws and refund)

- Based on students financial need
- Ex: Pell Grants

Applications: FAFSA or WASFA, WES, Work-First

Loans

Money that is borrowed and paid back with interest

Application: FAFSA, Private loans with banks

WASFA does not provide loans

Scholarships

FREE money that is based on academic merit, talent, or need. Unlike loans, they do not have to be repaid

Application: FAFSA, WASFA, College/Universities website, non-profit organization, Banks, Communities.

Work Study

Money that is earned by working at a part-time job on campus or off-campus

- Based on financial need

Application: FAFSA, WASFA



Funding for 1 Year

(long term funding)

FAFSA

Federal government funding for students who are/have:

- **Social Security Number**
- **U.S. Citizens**
- **And/Or Eligible non-citizens** (U.S. National, U.S. permanent resident (who has an I-151, I-551 or I-551C [Permanent Resident Card]), **OR** an individual who has an **Arrival-Departure Record (I-94)** from USCIS with these statuses: *Refugee, Asylum Granted, Conditional Permanent Resident, Cuban-Haitian Entrant, Conditional Entrant*" (valid only if issued before April 1, 1980), *Battered immigrant-qualified alien, T-visa holder, Parolee, OR You are a citizen of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, or the Republic of Palau*

WASFA

Washington State funding for students who are undocumented or do not qualify for federal financial aid because of their immigration status



How do you calculate financial aid through FAFSA/WASFA?

Cost of Attendance (COA) – Student Aid Index (SAI) = Financial Need!

The Student Aid Index (SAI), previously known as the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC), is based on what you report on your FAFSA and WASFA.

Cost of Attendance (COA) includes:

- Tuition and fees
- Housing and meals
- Additional expenses: Books, transportation, insurance, etc.

COA means you can receive financial aid (Scholarships, Grants, Loans) up to this amount!



Dependent Student vs. Independent Student

Students are considered dependent (must report parent/guardian information) unless they meet one of the following criteria:

- 24 years or older
- Married
- Graduate or professional student
- Veteran or active member of the armed forces
- Orphan or under legal guardianship
- Has legal dependents other than a spouse
- Emancipated minor
- Homeless or at risk of being homeless

***These conditions determine whether a student qualifies as independent for financial aid purposes.

Important Information

- You apply **EVERY** year in October
- Financial Aid is **NOT** guaranteed – student must have financial need to qualify for Grants/Work Study
- FAFSA and WASFA are government departments, separate from Highline College
- HC Financial Aid office takes 60–90 days to process your FAFSA/WASFA applications. Make sure you included Highline College in your FAFSA/WASFA applications.





Grants at Highline College

Workforce Education Services (WES) is a start-up tuition assistance program to support students who are pursuing a Professional-Technical AAS degree and/or certificate.

**** Colleges might differ in grants or scholarships offered*



Examples of Grants

- **Early Achiever Grant:** Employed child care providers, and early learning educators pursuing a certificate and/or degree in Early Childhood Education (ECE).
- **Opportunity Grant:** Low-income students enrolled in an approved professional-technical program of study. If you qualify, you can receive Opportunity Grant funds up to 45 credits, and no longer than 3 years from the initial received date.

***These grants are examples offered by Highline College

Scholarships Tips and Tricks

- *Remember to start applying to scholarships early, they usually open early Fall, September/October*
- *Research Early!*
 - *Scholarships.com*
 - *Scholarshipamerica.org*
 - *Collegeboard*
 - *WA opportunity scholarships*
- *Ask teachers/counselors to read over personal statements*



DELL SCHOLARS
Michael & Susan Dell Foundation

Scholarships



DELL SCHOLARS
Michael & Susan Dell Foundation





Request more **Information**

Scan the QR code!



@highlinecollege



@highlinecollege

For any further questions email us!

tshimomura@highline.edu

cbautistavega@highline.edu

Outreach@highline.edu

Feedback Survey

Please help us improve by sharing your feedback about today's event through a 3-minute survey:

Encuesta posterior al evento: !Ayúdenos a mejorar!

Sau buổi sự kiện: Hãy giúp chúng tôi cải thiện!

Опрос мнения по окончании мероприятия:
Помогите нам учесть недочёты!

پست-نظرسنجی : رویدادبه ما کمک می کند
بهبود یابیم!



Scan the QR code or, Visit:
www.fwps.org/FamilyAcademySurvey

Breakout 2 Workshops:

Stronger Together: A Family-School Approach to Bullying-Prevention
Room A204

Tech Habit Challenge, Part 1: What Roles Do Media and Tech Play
in My Life? | Room A202

IEP Essentials: Navigating Special Education for Your
Scholar's Success | Room A201

Guiding Your Scholar to Success: Making the Most of SLCs
Room B204