



Licking County PROMISE

Free College for Licking County Residents

COTC guarantees that tuition (instructional and general fees) will be entirely covered by institutional, federal and state aid as well as private scholarships. Books, course fees and living expenses are not included but may be covered by additional financial aid.

The COTC Promise Program for Licking County is made possible through the extraordinary generosity of community members who have supported the college through the Newark Campus Development Fund since 1983 by endowing scholarship funds.

Instructions:

- Apply and be admitted to COTC.
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at studentaid.gov for intended first semester of enrollment, and annually thereafter.
- If eligible, review the notification email.
- Complete the steps for enrolling, including register for classes.

How do I learn more?

Contact the COTC Gateway Enrollment Center:
[740-366-9222](tel:740-366-9222) or cotcadmissions@mail.cotc.edu

Who is eligible for the Promise program?

This program is available to current residents who have:

- lived in Licking County for at least one year
- an annual household income of \$100,000 or less reported on the FAFSA

What are the requirements for the Promise program?

- Open to new, current or returning COTC students who do not already hold an associate or bachelor's degree.
- Open to students enrolled in an aid-eligible COTC degree or certificate program.
- Current and returning COTC students must meet the standards for Satisfactory Academic Progress.
- Students must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA and continue meeting the standards for Satisfactory Academic Progress and maintain all other federal eligibility requirements each semester enrolled at COTC to maintain eligibility.
- Eligibility is determined each year based on household income on the FAFSA and continued county residency.
- Enroll in as little as one credit hour in your program each semester.
- No lifetime dollar limit to Promise awards.

Where can eligible students use Promise funds?

Enroll at any COTC campus or online.

How can students apply for the Promise program?

There is no separate application for the Promise program. Students who have been admitted to COTC, completed the FAFSA and submitted any additional documentation requested for the financial aid process are automatically considered.



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