

## SCHOLARSHIP, GRANT, & LOAN FORGIVENESS

PROGRAMS	AMOUNT	*REQUIREMENTS
<b>DEBT FREE TEACHERS INITIATIVE:</b> A merit and need based assistance initiative directed toward outstanding students in the college with significant debt associated with their education. This fund will target high need subject areas in Oklahoma education in order to recruit and retain the nation's best students. The program provides up to \$5000 a year up to a total of \$20,000.	Receive up to \$5,000 a year or up to a total of \$20,000 while in school.	Must teach up to four years in an Oklahoma public school to teach off funding received.  Requires a 3.0 GPA.
<b>TEACH GRANT PROGRAM:</b> The College Cost Reduction and Access Act of 2007 created the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program.	Receive up to \$4,000 a year or up to a total of \$16,000 as an undergraduate student and up to \$8,000 as a graduate student.	Must teach four years in a public elementary or secondary school serving low-income families in the U.S. or U. S. territories.  Must apply each year.  Requires a 3.25 GPA or a 25 ACT or 1200 SAT.
TEACHER LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAM: Teachers with Stafford loans may qualify for loan forgiveness if certain eligibility requirements are met. The program was created by Congress in 1998 to encourage individuals to enter and continue in the teaching profession in certain designated elementary schools and secondary schools serving low income families.	\$5,000 to \$17,500 forgiven depending on subject area taught.	Must teach full time for five complete and consecutive academic years in a low-income school or educational service agency.
PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN FORGIVENESS: Under this program, borrowers may qualify for forgiveness of the remaining balance due on their eligible federal student loans after they have made 120 payments on those loans under certain repayment plans while employed full time by certain public service employers.	VARIES	Must be in a qualified public service repayment program and teach while making the payments.

\*This is not an exhaustive list, please scan the QR code to visit our website and learn more about each program.

## Attend a Money Talks session for more information on these programs.





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If you are a fully admitted JRCoE student with a good academic record, we strongly encourage you to apply for college scholarships and funding!

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You must apply using CASH each academic year you plan to enroll to qualify for campus—wide and college scholarships!  CENTRALIZED ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP HUB (CASH): The Centralized Academic Scholarship Hub (CASH) is an online application for current and continuing students. Through this system students can apply for all campus and college—wide scholarships, departmental scholarships, financial aid scholarships, and Sooner Parents scholarships.  ou.edu/sfc/scholarships/cash  JEANNINE RAINBOLT COLLEGE OF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS:  JRCoE has scholarships based on financial need and merit. For the 2023–2024 academic year we awarded \$667,300 to students pursuing education degrees and teacher certification. To qualify for scholarships offered by the JRCoE, you must complete a CASH application.	VARIES	Each year the CASH portal will open October 1 and it will close February 1.
INSPIRED TO TEACH: The OK Future Teacher Scholarship and Employment Incentive Program ("Inspired to Teach") offers qualified Oklahoma students an opportunity to earn scholarships and benefits. Program participants may have the opportunity to earn up to \$25,500 as they complete their educator preparation program and teach in Oklahoma. Requires a 2.5 GPA.	\$5,500 awarded while in college. \$4,000 awarded for each year you teach, up to five consecutive years for a total of \$20,000.	Must be a high school graduate, have earned a GED, or graduated from homeschool.  Must teach in an Oklahoma public Pre-K through 12th grade school for a minimum of five consecutive years to receive full award.
TEACHER SHORTAGE EMPLOYMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM (TSEIP): TSEIP is a legislative program that reimburses eligible student loan expenses or pays an equivalent cash benefit to individuals who graduate from an Oklahoma accredited teacher education program and receive teaching certification in math or science.	Varies	Must sign up to program prior to graduation and teach math or science in an Oklahoma secondary public school for at least five years.

