



Counselor Connection

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KEES can be used to pay for technical training

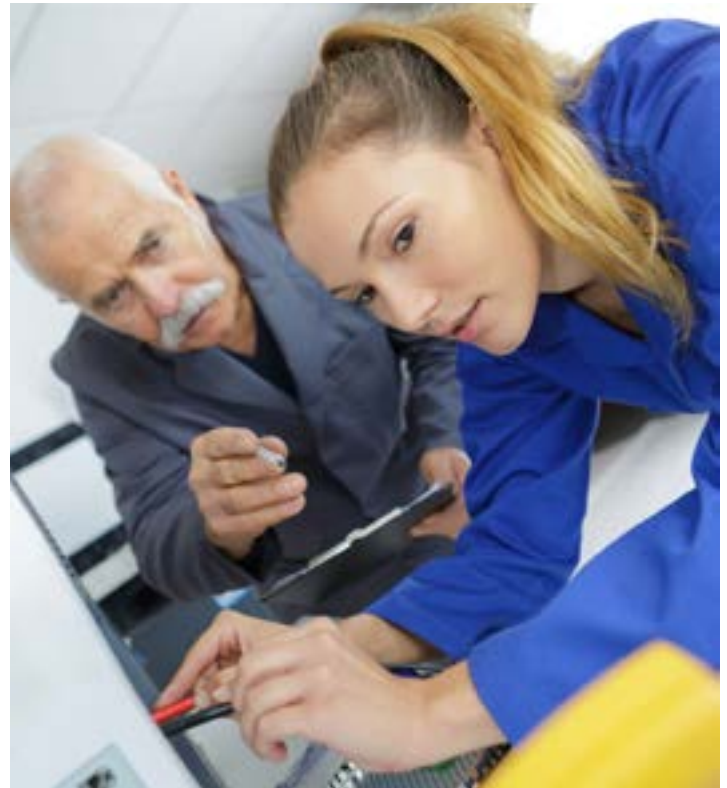
Although many students think KEES funds can only be used for college classes, that isn't the case. High school graduates can use KEES funds to be reimbursed for costs for approved registered apprenticeship or qualified workforce training programs.

"Allowing students to use their KEES earnings for a variety of educational programs is one more way Kentucky helps students prepare to enter the workforce," Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman said. "Any students in registered apprenticeship or workforce training programs should find out if the program they're in qualifies for KEES funding."

Students can request reimbursement for equipment, required tools, licensures, tuition and books, uniforms and other expenses. All requests for reimbursement from the period from July 2022 to May 2023 must be postmarked by June 15, 2023.

As a general rule, students must use their KEES funds within five years of their high school graduation.

Apprentices must be participating in a registered apprenticeship program approved through the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet. They must complete a Registered Apprentice Pathway form and submit it to KHEAA.

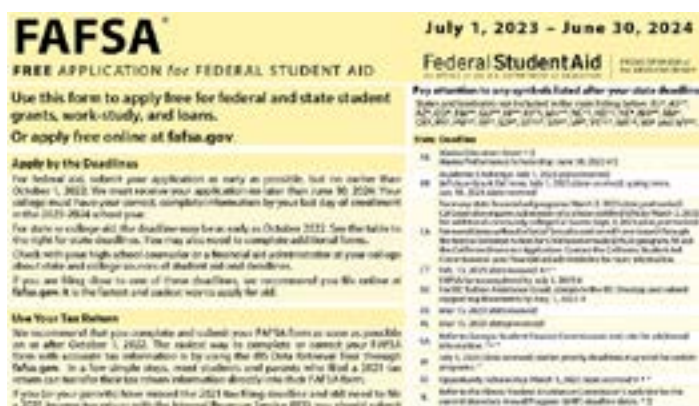


Workforce trainees must be enrolled at an approved site in a qualified workforce training program that is in one of Kentucky's top five high-demand work sectors (advanced manufacturing, business/IT, construction, healthcare and transportation). They must complete a Qualified Workforce Trainee Pathway form and submit it to KHEAA.

For more detailed information about the process, students should visit kheaa.com.



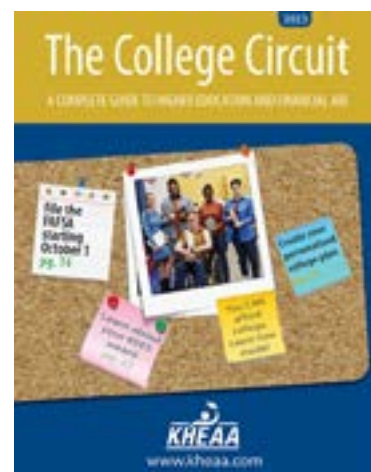
KHEAA publishes the Counselor Connection to share information about student financial aid, college preparation and college planning. Comments and suggestions are always welcome. Please send them to publications@kheaa.com.



‘College Circuit’ can help students plan their future

Kentuckians planning for technical training or higher education should check out “The College Circuit,” a helpful informational booklet published by KHEAA.

“This booklet will help students decide if they want to get more education after they finish high school,” Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman said. “If they do, they’ll find valuable information to help them learn how to pay for that education.”



Counselors can use “The College Circuit” to help their students plan for college and technical school. The booklet includes information about careers; state and federal financial aid; tips for parents; online resources; and a template for setting up a personal college plan.

Kentuckians can request a free copy by emailing publications@kheaa.com. They should include their address with the request.

An online version is available at kheaa.com.

School Report Card data released

The Kentucky Department of Education released the 2022 School Report Card data on Oct. 18.

Each year Kentucky public schools and school districts submit information to KDE, which posts the information on its website.

The report cards provide information about the school and district, including test performance, teacher qualifications, student safety, awards, parent involvement and more.

Schools, students can win \$500 in FAFSA Challenge

Eight Kentucky high schools and four Kentucky students will win \$500 from KHEAA in the FAFSA Completion Challenge.

The challenge is a statewide campaign to increase the number of students who submit the FAFSA. The fastest way to file is to visit <https://studentaid.gov/>.

The challenge is open to all public and private high schools in the state and to any student who files the 2023–2024 FAFSA to attend college next fall.

Schools will be divided into small public, medium public, large public and private schools. One school in each group will win \$500 for having the overall highest percentage of FAFSA completed submissions. In addition, one school in each group will win for having the highest percentage increase in FAFSA completion from through April 28.

High schools that want to participate must register at kygoestocollege.com no later than Nov. 1.

2023 seniors or any continuing college or adult students enrolling for the first time who complete the 2023–2024 FAFSA and registers at kygoestocollege.com will have a chance to win one of four \$500 scholarships in a random drawing. The deadline to register is midnight EDT on April 28. The scholarships are one-time only awards and must be used at a Kentucky college or university.

Complete details are available on kygoestocollege.com.

Scholarship Spotlight

Kids Chance of Kentucky Scholarship

Eligibility: Must be a child who had a parent seriously, catastrophically or fatally injured in a Kentucky employment-related accident and who is a Kentucky resident between 16 and 25 years old. The financial impact of the parent's injury or death will be a major consideration.

Award: Up to \$2,500 per semester; renewable for 4 or more years provided progress is made toward a degree and student remains in good standing with the school

Number: Varies

Deadline: Oct. 30, spring semester; April 15, fall semester

Contact: Counselor or Scholarship Committee, Kids Chance of Kentucky, PO Box 910234, Lexington, KY 40591; 859.219.0194; www.kidschanceky.org; gda-vis5@windstream.net

KHEAA Outreach schedules Facebook, Twitter sessions

KHEAA Outreach will provide live help in November and December via Facebook and Twitter.

The schedule is:

Nov. 7: Gifts That Keep on Giving: Financial Aid Opportunities, **Facebook**

Nov. 14: Gifts That Keep on Giving: KY Saves 529, **Twitter**

Dec. 5: Santa's Nice List: Advantage Loans, **Facebook**

Dec. 12: Santa's Nice List: Loan Borrowing Tips, **Twitter**

All sessions begin at 7 p.m. Eastern, 6 p.m. Central.

The links are:

www.facebook.com/KHEAA/

www.twitter.com/KHEAA/



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ACT National Test Dates

| Test Date | Registration Deadline | Late Registration |
|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Dec. 10, 2022 | Nov. 4, 2022 | Nov. 11, 2022 |
| Feb. 11, 2023 | Jan. 6, 2023 | Jan. 20, 2023 |
| April 15, 2023 | March 10, 2023 | March 24, 2023 |
| June 10, 2023 | May 5, 2023 | May 19, 2023 |
| July 15, 2023 | June 16, 2023 | June 23, 2023 |

SAT National Test Dates

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| Dec. 3, 2022 | Nov. 3, 2022 | Nov. 22, 2022 |
| March 11, 2023 | Feb. 10, 2023 | Feb. 28, 2023 |
| May 6, 2023 | April 7, 2023 | April 25, 2023 |
| June 3, 2023 | May 4, 2023 | May 23, 2023 |

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