

## **Promise Scholarship FAQ's**

### **Why did the Lakeshore Foundation develop the Promise Scholarship?**

The Promise Scholarship program was created to help provide access to a Lakeshore education by relieving financial barriers. For eligible recent high school graduates, the scholarship covers the entire gap between federal and state grant aid and the costs of tuition and fees.

Textbooks are not included.

### **When does the Promise Scholarship application begin?**

The scholarship application for the Fall 2025 scholarship will open October 15, 2024. If awarded, Promise Scholars will not need to reapply each semester; however, they will need to meet the renewal criteria to retain the scholarship.

If awarded, the Promise Scholarship will only apply to regular Fall and Spring semesters at Lakeshore.

### **How do I apply for the Promise Scholarship?**

To begin the application process, complete the online scholarship application ([www.gotoltc.edu/promise](http://www.gotoltc.edu/promise)).

### **Who is eligible for the Promise Scholarship?**

For the Fall 2025 award year, only 2024-2025 Lakeshore area high school seniors who intend to start at Lakeshore in the Fall of 2025 are eligible for consideration.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

- Complete Promise Scholarship Application.
- Complete Lakeshore College Application for Admission.
- Submit valid FAFSA and meet financial requirements by the start of fall term.
- Be admitted into an academic program.
- Live within the Lakeshore College district and graduate from high school in 2025 OR graduate from a Lakeshore College district high school in 2025.
- Attend Lakeshore College full-time in Fall after HS graduation as an admitted student in a degree-seeking program.
- Enroll in a Lakeshore Academic program that meets financial aid requirements.
- Be identified as a Pell-eligible student by your 2025-2026 FAFSA results.

### **What if the academic program I want to enroll in has a waiting list?**

Students who would otherwise qualify for the Promise scholarship, but who cannot start in the Fall term due to a wait list, status will be given the opportunity to submit an appeal for eligibility.

### **What will I need to do to keep my scholarship?**

Once a student enrolls at Lakeshore as a Promise Scholar, the following criteria will need to be met to renew each semester.

#### **Renewal Criteria**

- Maintain full-time enrollment at Lakeshore over four consecutive semesters for a two-year program.
- Maintain full-time enrollment at Lakeshore over two consecutive semesters for a one-year program.
- Annually complete the FAFSA and fulfill all financial aid requirements.
- Meet the Pell eligibility criteria via new academic years' criteria.
- Maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA.
- Maintain academic program eligibility requirements.
- Meet with your program counselor once a semester.

### **How does this scholarship work with or differ from financial aid?**

The Promise Scholarship requires students to apply and use all federal and state grants available to them. However, federal and state grants rarely cover the full cost of tuition and other costs associated with attending college. Promise funds will pay the remainder of tuition and fees billed by Lakeshore that are associated with attending the student's designated program, other than textbooks.

### **Does the Lakeshore Promise scholarship program cover the cost of textbooks or living expenses?**

The Lakeshore Promise will not cover the cost of textbooks or living expenses. It does cover tuition and fees billed by Lakeshore for approved programs. If desired, students may access the federal student loan program to fund textbooks or living expenses. Promise students should be eligible for subsidized federal student loans.

### **What program of study can I apply to?**

You must be admitted into the financial aid-eligible program to be considered for the Promise program.

### **How much of a scholarship will I receive?**

The amount of your scholarship will vary. It will be calculated based on your total cost of tuition and fees less grant aid. The intent of this program is that you will not pay tuition out of pocket.

### **How is my financial need determined? ...and how do I know if I'm Pell-eligible?**

Although you must complete the FAFSA and all financial aid requirements to know for certain, the FAFSA can help you to estimate your financial need and your SAI. Your SAI is part of your FAFSA results.

### **What if my SAI changes?**

An SAI change after a Promise Scholarship has been awarded will be addressed on a case-by-case basis by the Lakeshore Foundation.

### **What other scholarships are available for students not eligible for the Lakeshore Promise Scholarship Program?**

The Lakeshore Foundation has over 125 scholarships for which students may apply each term. Also, there are targeted scholarships specifically for high school seniors available. Please visit the Lakeshore Foundation site for more information. [www.gotoltc.edu/lakeshore-college-foundation](http://www.gotoltc.edu/lakeshore-college-foundation).

### **For More Information**

To learn more about the Lakeshore Promise Scholarship, interested high school students or parents should contact a Lakeshore Admissions Advisor to discuss eligibility and explore career programs.

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To learn more about the Lakeshore Foundation, the Appeal Process, and other scholarship opportunities, contact:

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