

State Scholars are Kansas residents who receive State Scholar designation in their senior year of high school. Criteria include having taken the ACT Assessment between April of the sophomore year and December of the senior year, AND completing the Kansas Scholars Curriculum. The 7th semester cumulative GPA and curriculum data are provided by high school officials to the Board of Regents in March.

Designation is based on an index which mathematically combines the ACT Composite score and GPA. Funding by the Kansas Legislature allows State Scholars designation to go to 20-40% of high school seniors who complete the Regents Scholars Curriculum. Applicants should complete the state application. Funding priority goes to Renewals.

Program Description:

The program is designed to assist financially needy students who have received State Scholar designation as a state scholar.

Academic Criteria:

Minimum requirements include:

1. taking the ACT Assessment no later than December of the senior year;
2. completing the Kansas Scholars Curriculum;
3. having curriculum and 7th semester GPA certified on the official roster by the high school counselor, registrar, or similar official;
4. being a Kansas resident. The academic profile for the previous year scholars included an average ACT of 29 and average GPA of 3.89. (Only students who receive a letter of designation are eligible).

Recipients:

Students who meet minimum requirements comprise the applicant pool with designation (selection) of State Scholars based on ranking by descending index number. The number of designees is dependent on State funding levels.

Deadline: May 1

Award Amount:

Designated State Scholars may receive up to \$1,000 annually based on financial need as measured by the Federal Methodology using data submitted on the FAFSA and on the availability of State funds.

Renewals:

State Scholars must complete the Federal application and the state application each year. Funding priority goes to upper-class students. Scholars may receive funds for four undergraduate years (five years if enrolled in a designated five year program). Scholars who are not financially eligible for funding one year may be eligible in a following year and should apply for aid each year to officially learn of eligibility. Scholars must maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA and have financial need. Renewals are **not** notified. ***It is the responsibility of the State Scholar to reapply for funding each year.***