

Session Materials for Parents/Guardians

Goal Getters.

Conference

June 12-14, 2023

Schedule for Parents/Guardians

Opportunity Fair: Meet the Parent Scholar Program Pathway Partners

Time: 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Parent Session: How to Support Your Scholar

Time: 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

How to Support Your Scholar

What is Submittable?

- An online system referred to as the **Hope Scholar Portal**
- A system used to collect information from Hope Scholars so we can better support them
- A system used to request and disburse Incidentals and Necessity Funding (Emergency Funds)
- A system used to send payments to Hope Chicago in-network institutions (colleges, universities, vocational schools, etc.)

**Hope Scholars must create an account
for the Hope Scholar Portal**

Required Forms for Hope Scholars

Below are the three current forms that Hope Scholars are required to complete. We monitor completion and are connecting with students this summer to ensure all Hope Scholars submit all four forms. **Forms must be submitted to receive scholarship award.**



Initial Intake Form

Pre-Graduation Survey

Acceptance Form

What is the Acceptance Form?

- A required Hope Chicago form available within the Hope Scholar Portal that
 - Is currently applicable to Class of 2022 and 2023 Hope Scholars (updated each year)
 - Describes in detail the scholarship for Hope Scholars
 - Outlines expectations/requirements for Hope Scholars for their postsecondary education
 - Provides information and instructions for “Special Circumstances” (e.g., deferment, transfers, emergencies)
 - Must be read, signed, and submitted each year by Hope Scholars
- Hope Scholars should share and discuss the form with their parents/guardians as failure to adhere to the requirements can result in the loss of the Hope Chicago Scholarship
- The Acceptance Form is available for download as a readable document and is also available in Spanish

Eligibility Criteria for the Hope Chicago Scholarship

- Enrollment at a Hope Chicago Partner School on 2/25/2022
 - Al Raby School for Community and Environment
 - Benito Juárez Community Academy
 - Farragut Career Academy
 - Morgan Park High School
 - Noble Johnson College Prep
- Full-time postsecondary enrollment by Fall 2023 (continued full-time enrollment is a program requirement)
- Completion of postsecondary degree or certification within specified timeframes for 2-year, 4-year, and vocational pathways
 - Please note that Hope Scholars can seek, or apply, for additional years of eligibility. Hope Chicago has the sole discretion to grant additional years of eligibility.

To Maintain the Scholarship Hope Scholars

Must:

- Make **Satisfactory Academic Progress/Performance (SAP)** toward their degree or vocational certificate (as defined by their institution)
 - **Summer School may be required** for all students in danger of not making SAP at the end of each academic year.
- Maintain a GPA that does not disqualify them from receiving federal, state, or institutional financial aid and permits them to graduate from their program of study
- Adhere to **Student Success Requirements** as outlined in the Acceptance Agreement
- Participate in **Wraparound Support Services** (Pre-Enrollment and Post-Enrollment expectations are outlined in the Acceptance Form), such as:
 - Regular meetings with Campus Contact and academic advisors
 - Attending Hope Chicago sponsored events
- Submit and maintain current all forms and **information requested by Hope Chicago**
- Abide by their institution's **Student Code of Conduct**

Additional Forms a Scholar Might Need

- **Deferment:** Hope Scholars experiencing undue personal, medical, or mental hardships may apply to defer their start date to the Winter of 2023
- **Transfer:** Hope Scholars who transfer to a new institution must submit a Hope Chicago Transfer Request Form in addition to undergoing the institution's admissions process. Hope Chicago has sole discretion to make decisions on continued eligibility.
- **Necessity and Incidental Funding:** Emergency funding available to Hope Scholars who are enrolled at in-network institutions and fulfill all requirements as outlined in the Acceptance Form
- **Academic Probation:** Hope Scholars placed on academic probation must submit to Hope Chicago, through the Hope Scholar Portal, evidence of a plan outlining action steps to improve academic progress/performance
- **Hope Chicago Summer Term Approval Request Form:** Summer courses that count towards degree completion are covered under the terms of the scholarship ONLY if a Scholar is in danger of not making SAP

Suspension or Termination of Scholarship

Hope Chicago has sole discretion to suspend or terminate a Hope Scholars' eligibility for the Hope Chicago Scholarship!

- The following can result in the suspension and termination:
 - Not maintaining full-time enrollment (minimum of 12 credit hours) during the academic year
 - Not maintaining SAP, which will disqualify students from receiving federal, state, or institutional financial aid
 - Not graduating within a period of four years, without prior approval from Hope Chicago
 - Violating their institution's Student Code of Conduct (e.g., cheating, plagiarism, engaging in hazing)
 - Hope Scholars who are dismissed from an institution for violating the Student Code of Conduct will no longer be eligible for the Hope Chicago Scholarship at that or any other institution

Supporting Your Scholar's Post-Secondary Journey

- Hope Chicago had the opportunity to talk to many Scholars and most reported that being away from their family was hard! With that in mind, these are some ways you can support your child:
 - Consistently remind them that they belong on their pathway and that they can be successful
 - Try to keep conversations positive; parental tears often make students feel like they need to return home/leave college
 - Remind them to budget their funds appropriately and discourage frivolous spending
 - If your child lives on campus:
 - Encourage them to create a support network on campus. Returning home frequently can effect grades in a negative way and keeps your child from having a full college experience.
 - Send them small deliveries to remind them that they are loved and that they have your full support
 - If your child is a commuter:
 - Encourage them to spend time at the school's library, in popular student common areas, and attending school sponsored events. Creating a community will contribute to their success

A Message to the Parents of Hope Scholars

We know this transition can be hard on parents too, which is one reason that staying connected to Hope Chicago and parents of other Hope Scholars is important. Just as we are encouraging you to help your child build a community, we encourage you to do the same. Meeting and establishing relationships with parents experiencing the same thing as you can help you with ways to best support your Scholar throughout the year.

What it means to be a Hope Parent Scholar

Eligibility Criteria

For tuition-based programs, Parents/Guardians must meet the following two criteria:

- Be the parent or guardian of a Hope Scholar who graduated from one of our five partner schools and is enrolled full-time in a postsecondary program.
- Have a high school diploma or GED, but not a Bachelor degree or higher.

Other considerations:

- Only one parent or guardian per Hope Scholar can take advantage of the scholarship opportunity.
- Any parent is eligible to explore and enroll in any non tuition-based workforce programs.
- Must be enrolled a minimum of 15 credit hours per year to remain eligible. Part-time enrollment is only supported at certain partners.
- FAFSA or the Alternative App must be completed, but does not impact eligibility.

What do Parent Scholars Receive?

- Full tuition and fees at one of our postsecondary institutions
- Book and fees covered
- Laptop
- Access to emergency funding (approved on a case by case basis)
- Access to Workforce and Direct Hire opportunities
- Invites to monthly community-building events
- Connection to supports for ESL and GED completion

Getting Started

The first step is to **Register**.

- All parents should go to www.hopechicago.org/parents to get registered.

After registration, the parent will be contacted by one of our **Community-based Anchor Partners (CBAPs)**.

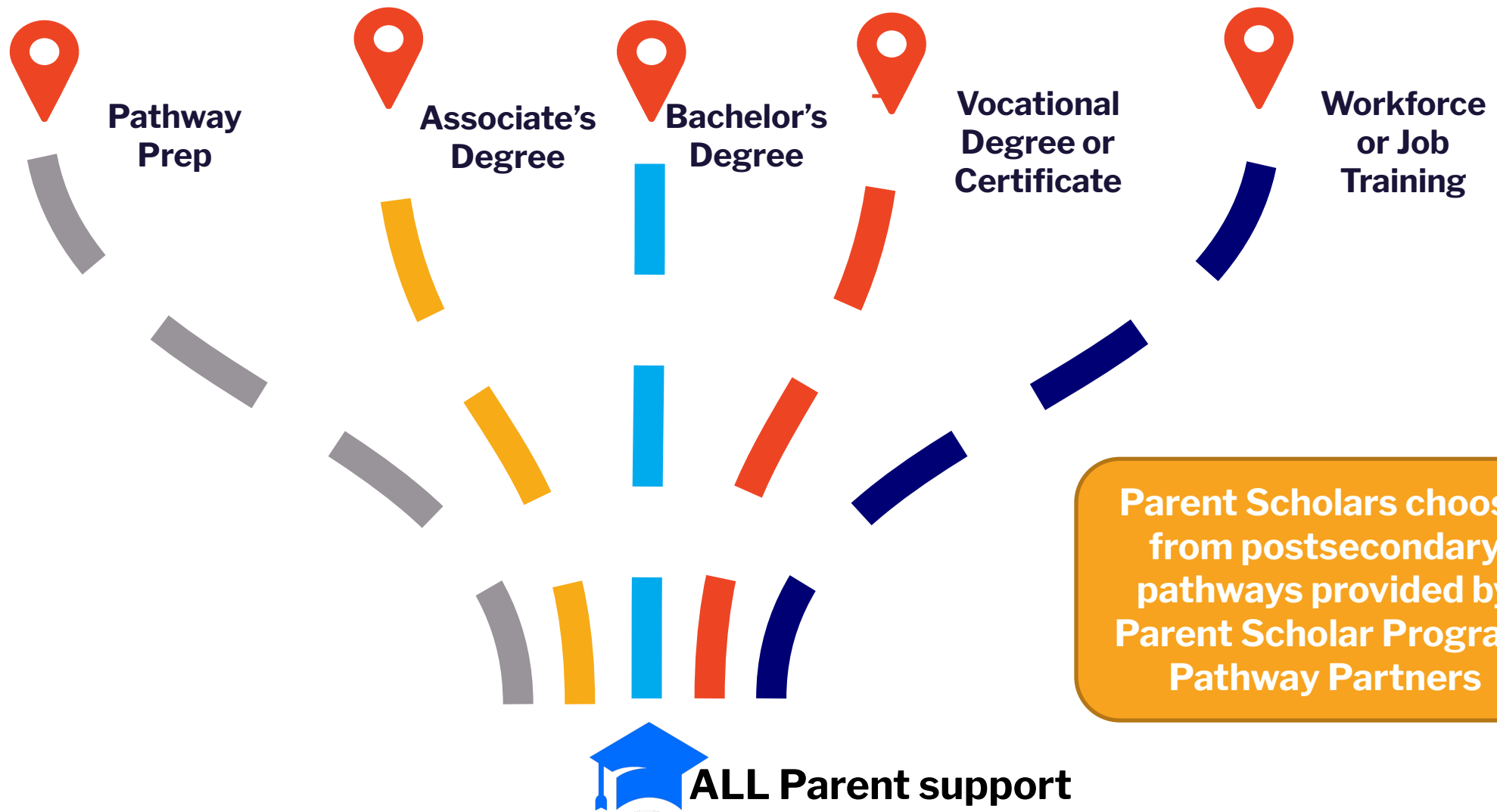
- CBAPs will explore the parents interests and goals, past work and education experience, and advise on what opportunities may be right for them.

Parents will then explore opportunities and make a decision about what pathway is best for them. They can also decide they do not want to participate.

- Parents will be given coaching and support throughout the process.

All parents who register will also be invited to FREE monthly events on a variety of topics to help them. their families and their Scholars.

Parent Scholar Pathway Program



Wraparound Support for Parent Scholars



Academic

- Goal Setting
- Progress Monitoring
- Case Management/Coaching



Social/Emotional

- Parent Networking
- Community-Building



Transition Support

- Interest Surveys
- Advising



Family Wellbeing

- Workshops
- Published Resources



Career

- Workshops
- Job Placement



Hope Scholar

Eligibility: Tuition-based postsecondary programs for HopeParent Scholars require Hope Scholar's full-time enrollment and satisfactory academic progress.



Hope Scholar Parent

Hope Chicago



Parents Scholar Pathway Partners Offerings, Timelines and Eligibility

PATHWAY PARTNERS HIGHER EDUCATION

Hope Parent Scholars have access to 7 institutions to help meet the postsecondary and schedule and lifestyle needs. You can earn a variety of degrees or credentials from these partners in-person, online and at your own pace.

City Colleges of Chicago - Offers GED, credentials and Associates degrees in a variety of areas. They offer flexible enrollment options throughout the year, and they are a partner that you can attend part-time with a minimum of 15 credit hours required each year. Visit <https://colleges.ccc.edu/community-connector> to learn more.

National Louis University - Offers online and in-person Bachelor degrees. They offer traditional enrollment in Fall, Winter/Spring and Summer, but you must be enrolled full-time. Visit <https://nl.edu/> for more information.

Noble Forward - Offers fully-online, self-paced, competency-based Bachelor and Associate degree programs through Southern New Hampshire University. You must complete a minimum of 5 classes per year to remain eligible. Visit <https://www.nobleforward.org/> to learn more.

Northeastern Illinois University - Offers a variety of online, in-person and nontraditional Bachelor degrees with additional options to turn previous work experience into credit hours. You must be enrolled full-time to qualify. Visit <https://www.neiu.edu/academics/our-colleges-and-departments/nontraditional-degree-programs> for more information.

Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) - Offers a fully online Bachelor degree in a variety of areas. They offer rolling admissions, but you must be enrolled full-time. Visit <http://www.snhu.edu/hopechicago> for more information.

Western Governors University - Offers Bachelor degrees in Business, Education, IT, Health & Nursing. They are fully online and offer 1st of the month enrollment opportunities. You can attend part-time with a minimum of 15 credit hours required each year. Visit <https://www.wgu.edu/> to learn more.

Western Governors University Academy - Offers prerequisite classes for Parents interested in attending WGU, but need a class or 2 to get back in the swing of being a student. Your CBAP can make the introduction if you feel like you need this extra support.

Higher Education Eligibility Timeline:

- **Class of 2022**
Parents can enroll until Fall 2023
- **Class of 2023**
Parents can explore and decide; enroll as early as Fall 2023

PATHWAY PARTNERS WORKFORCE/ DIRECT HIRE



Accenture - Offers paid apprenticeships in tech and UX/graphic design. Qualified candidates cannot have a Bachelor's degree, but must go through a traditional interview process.



Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois - Offers direct employment opportunities with full benefits in all areas from Customer Service to IT and beyond. Interested candidates must apply online, but will be fast tracked through the interview process. A minimum high school diploma is required. Additional compensation is available for bi-lingual individuals.



CHICAT - Offers workforce training and certifications in medical billing and other technology related fields.



Chicago Urban League - Offers a variety of workforce training and certification programs along with job counseling and connections to employers.



Discovery Partners Institute (DPI) - Offers paid training in software development and coding with a commitment to a paid apprenticeship upon completion of program.



HIRE 360 - Offers training and support needed to obtain apprenticeship for any individual interested in any Trade. Unionized positions are only available at specific times.



Instituto Del Progreso Latino - Offers nursing programs along with job counseling, connections to employers, financial counseling and access to other services.



JumpHire - Offers a variety of paid workforce training programs along with job counseling and connections to employers.



Lift Up Enterprises - Offers direct employment along with financial counseling and access to other services.



Northwestern Medicine/Northwestern Memorial Hospital - Offers direct employment and training opportunities with full benefits for individuals interested in nursing or various healthcare opportunities in hospitals or clinics. Interested candidates must apply online, but will be fast tracked through the interview process.

Workforce Partner Eligibility Timeline:

- **Free Programs- Open to all Parents to enroll**
- **Fee-based- Class of 2022 Parents can enroll and Class of 2023 Parents can explore and enroll**