

Comparing College Costs

Use this worksheet to compare the cost of each college and make a plan to pay for school. Don't forget to include additional out-of-pocket expenses.

	School #1	School #2	School #3
College Costs			
Tuition & Fees			
Room & Board: On Or Off Campus vs Home			
Books & Supplies: Consider Chosen Area Of Study			
Travel: Gas, Bus, Plane Tickets & Hotels			
Campus Activities: Clubs & Events			
Living Expenses: Laundry, Phone & Eating Out			
TOTAL COST OF ATTENDANCE			

Gift Aid (Grants & Scholarships) Money You Won't Have To Pay Back

Grants & Scholarships From Each School			
Federal Pell Grant			
Grants from Your State			
Other Scholarships			
TOTAL GIFT AID			
TOTAL NET PRICE (Cost of Attendance minus Gift Aid)			

Now that you know how much your family is responsible for, start making a plan on how you'll pay the net price. **Tip: Don't forget to factor in these costs for each year your student is in school.**

Options For Paying The Net Price

Work-Study Program			
FEDERAL LOAN OPTIONS			
Federal Direct Subsidized Loan			
Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan			
OTHER OPTIONS			
Income and Savings			
529 Plan or Education Savings Account			
Payment plan offered by the institution			
Federal Parent PLUS Loans			
Private student or parent loans			



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