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A+ Program

Blue Springs R-IV
School District

Background

In an effort to make college or vocational education available to every Missouri high school graduate, the Missouri General Assembly established the A+ Schools Program as part of the Outstanding Schools Act of 1993.



Outcome



Graduates of designated A+ schools who successfully complete the requirements of the program may be eligible to receive reimbursement for the cost of tuition while attending a Missouri public community college or vocational/technical school on a full-time basis for two years.

This incentive is dependent on state appropriations from the Missouri General Assembly.



Program Overview

- A+ Goals
 - All Students will graduate from high school
 - All students will complete high school studies that are challenging and that have identified learning expectations.
 - All students will proceed from high school graduation to college, post-secondary vocational or technical school or a high wage job with opportunities for workplace skill development.



- Eligibility Requirements
 - Attend an A+ designated school for three years (grades 10, 11, 12) prior to graduation
 - Graduate with an unweighted, unrounded cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
 - Graduate with a minimum 95% ADA (Average Daily Attendance) record (over 8 semesters)
 - Perform 50 hours of unpaid **tutoring or mentoring** to other students in the district
 - Model good citizenship at school and in the community
 - Avoid the use of illegal drugs and alcohol
 - Register with the selective service, if required by law
 - Apply for non-payback scholarships by completing a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

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