

HIGHER EDUCATION BENEFIT

**OEA Members and
their families can
complete an
Associate Degree
with ZERO dollars
out of pocket.**



COLLEGE BENEFIT FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

OEA's new Higher Education Benefit affirms our commitment to support and relationships by helping Members and their families continue their education, without worrying about the cost. You, your spouse, children and grandchildren can all take advantage of this exciting opportunity.



ZERO OUT OF POCKET

Members and their families can earn an Associate Degree online- with no "out of pocket" cost—a last dollar scholarship covers the difference between any Federal grants and your tuition, fees and e-books at EGCC.



EASTERN GATEWAY CREDITS ARE TRANSFERABLE

Eastern Gateway Community College is a public, nonprofit, school in the University System of Ohio and is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Credits you earn can transfer to other schools, potentially saving you thousands of dollars.



Valley
Center
Youngstown

Eastern
Gateway
Steubenville



HIGHER EDUCATION IS JUST 4 STEPS AWAY

01

APPLY TO EASTERN GATEWAY

Go to FreeCollege.OHEA.org and select the "Apply Now" button.

02

COMPLETE THE FREE FAFSA

Complete the form online: FAFSA.ed.gov
Eastern Gateway Community College school code: 007275
The FAFSA application is a requirement. If it's determined that you are not eligible for federal or state financial aid, the OEA "last dollar scholarship" will be applied to your remaining balance for tuition and fees.
Your enrollment specialist can help you with the process.

03

SUBMIT YOUR TRANSCRIPTS

Submit your high school transcript or GED test score as proof of high school completion. Official transcripts must be sent directly from the school to:

E-mail: online@egcc.edu (Subject: OEA)

Mail: EGCC Admissions, Attn: OEA, 101 Federal Plaza East, Youngstown, OH 44503

Fax: 330-480-0817 (Attn: OEA)

If you have completed any college coursework, have the transcript sent to EGCC. Applicable college credits will be transferred to the new program.

04

ENROLL IN CLASSES

Work with an Enrollment specialist to enroll in classes.

The Higher Education Benefit covers the cost of tuition, fees and books after any PELL or other federal grant, or employer reimbursement is applied. The remaining amount will be cleared by the Higher Education Benefit. As long as your financial aid file is complete, there is no cost to the student and students are never asked to take out any loans.

QUESTIONS?
1-888-590-9009
FreeCollege.OHEA.org

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Some FAFSA applicants are selected for verification. If selected, applicants must complete any subsequent requirements to determine eligibility for federal student aid.

If you are unsure how to get your official high school transcript, contact your enrollment advisor for assistance.

Your EGCC Enrollment Advisor is available to provide support through the application and enrollment process.