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The Ohio War Orphans Scholarship Board met on July 14, 2011 to approve new applicants for the 2011-2012 academic year. After reviewing the program budget, the Board chose to maintain coverage of **80% of tuition/general fees for students attending a public institution** during the 2011-2012 academic year. For students attending **private institutions**, the **annual award will be \$4,797** (up from \$4,650 in 2010-2011).

Since we are in the third full year of less than 100% coverage at public institutions, remember that students attending public institutions, who are otherwise eligible for the Ohio College Opportunity Grant (OCOG), could receive funding from both programs. The War Orphans Scholarship would be applied first, followed by OCOG, not to exceed the total tuition/general fees charges. Students in a similar situation at private, non-profit institutions may be able to continue to receive the full amounts from both programs depending on the respective tuition/general fees charges.

Like OCOG, the War Orphans Scholarship is available to be used toward instructional and general fees. As a reminder from prior OCOG guidance, general fees are defined as those assessed universally to all students and those that **do not allow** for a waiver to be offered to any student(s).

For study abroad, the home school needs to have paperwork showing courses being taken and tuition charges at the Study Abroad institution (if not recorded on transcript and account statement). The paper work also needs to show that any tuition specific State Funds (Ohio College Opportunity Grant, Ohio National Guard, Ohio Safety Officers College Memorial Fund and Ohio War Orphans Scholarship) were used for tuition and general fees only. The home school must keep the above documentation in case of an audit.

Eligibility rosters for the 2011-2012 academic year are currently available to financial aid personnel. The rosters have been updated to include the new applicants approved by the War Orphans Scholarship Board at its recent meeting.

Students must attend full-time, and prior recipients must maintain a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA.

**TO SUMMARIZE, FOR THE 2011-2012 ACADEMIC YEAR, THE AMOUNT OF THE WAR ORPHANS SCHOLARSHIP IS:**

<b>PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES:</b>	<b>80% OF TUITION/GENERAL FEES</b>
<b>INDEPENDENT (NON-PROFIT) AND PROPRIETARY (FOR-PROFIT)</b>	<b>\$4,797* (ANNUAL AWARD)</b>
<b>*\$2,398.50 per semester</b>	<b>OR</b>
	<b>\$1,599 per quarter</b>

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