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The Ohio War Orphans Scholarship Board met on July 30, 2014 to approve new applicants and funding levels for the 2014-2015 academic year. After reviewing the program budget, and due to an increase in this year's number of applicants, coverage will be **77% of tuition/general fees for students attending a public institution** and **\$6,994 for students attending a private (non-profit or for-profit) institution**.

Since we are in the sixth 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 or for-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**, home schools need to have paperwork showing courses being taken and tuition charges at the study abroad institution (if not recorded on transcript and account statement) and 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 2014-2015 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 2014-2015 ACADEMIC YEAR, THE AMOUNT OF THE WAR ORPHANS SCHOLARSHIP IS:

PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES:	77% OF TUITION/GENERAL FEES
PRIVATE (NON-PROFIT OR FOR-PROFIT):	\$6,994* (ANNUAL AWARD)
*\$3,497 per semester	OR
	*\$2,331.33 per quarter

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