

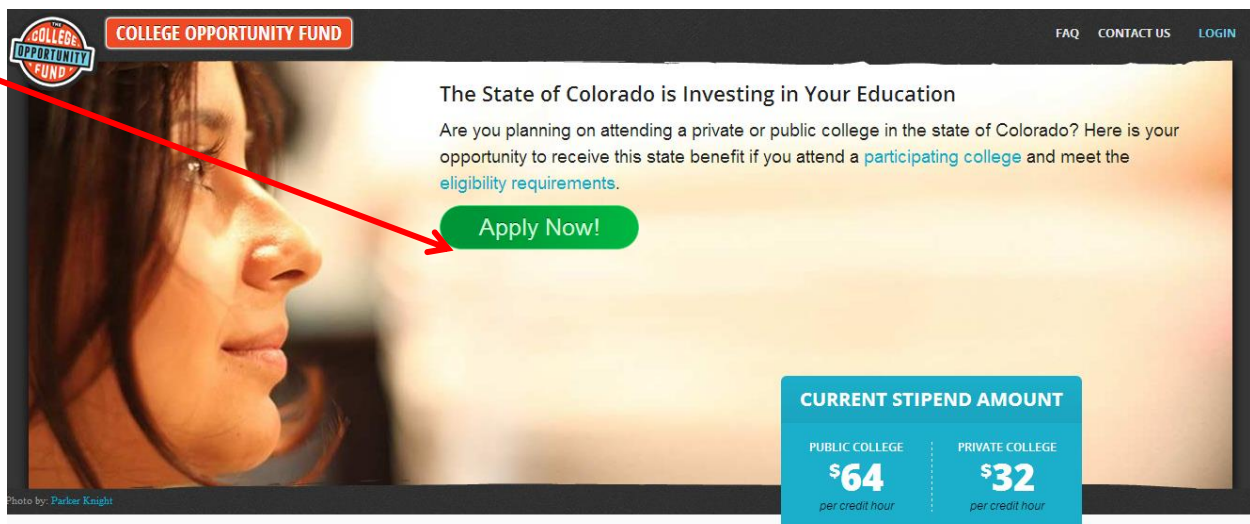
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COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND: STEP BY STEP

Visit the <https://cof.college-assist.org/Apply>

Click "Apply Now"



The screenshot shows the College Opportunity Fund website. At the top left is the logo, and next to it is a navigation bar with "COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND" and links for "FAQ", "CONTACT US", and "LOGIN". The main content area features a large image of a woman's face in profile. To the right of the image, the text reads: "The State of Colorado is Investing in Your Education. Are you planning on attending a private or public college in the state of Colorado? Here is your opportunity to receive this state benefit if you attend a participating college and meet the eligibility requirements." Below this text is a green "Apply Now!" button, which is pointed to by a red arrow. In the bottom right corner, a blue box titled "CURRENT STIPEND AMOUNT" displays the following information:

CURRENT STIPEND AMOUNT	
PUBLIC COLLEGE	PRIVATE COLLEGE
\$64	\$32
<i>per credit hour</i>	<i>per credit hour</i>

Photo by: Parker Knight

If you want to fill out the application in its paper form and keep a copy for your record click on the "here" link.



COF Online Student Application

Please beware of your surroundings as you enter sensitive information into this form.

Age Verification

You must be at least 13 years old to apply for the College Opportunity Fund.

If you do not wish to complete an on-line application you can complete a paper form available [here](#).

Date of Birth (Please use MM/DD/YYYY format with no spaces)

NEXT



If you would like to proceed with the online application, enter your birthdate and click "Next"



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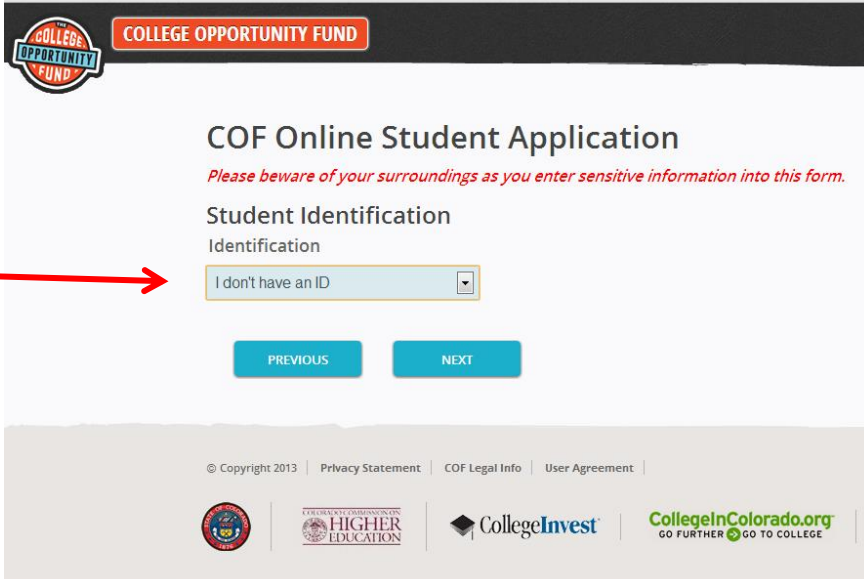
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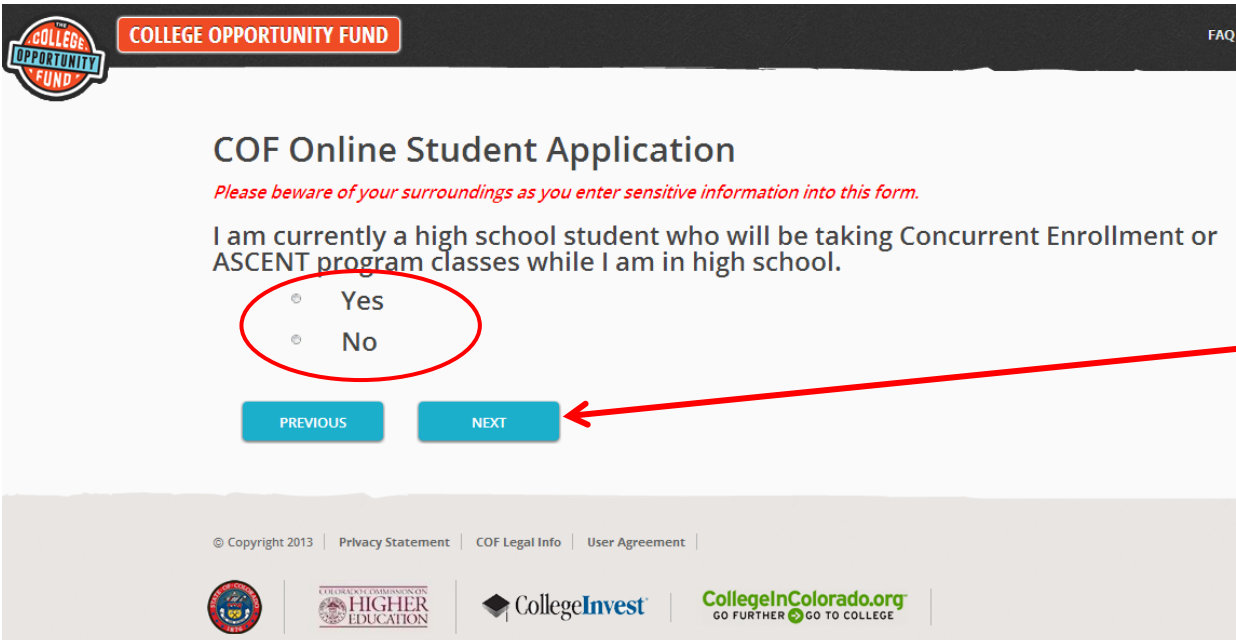
Choose the “I not have an ID” option.

If you are filling out the COF form online and you have a Deferred Action Social Security Number, then you are advised to choose the “I do not have an ID” option then proceed.



The screenshot shows the 'COF Online Student Application' page. At the top left is the 'COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND' logo. Below it is the title 'COF Online Student Application' and a warning: 'Please beware of your surroundings as you enter sensitive information into this form.' The section is titled 'Student Identification' with a sub-heading 'Identification'. A dropdown menu is set to 'I don't have an ID', with a red arrow pointing to it. Below the dropdown are 'PREVIOUS' and 'NEXT' buttons. The footer contains copyright information and logos for the State of Colorado, the Colorado State Board of Higher Education, CollegeInvest, and CollegeInColorado.org.

Answer whether or not you are a current high school student who will be taking Concurrent Enrollment or ASCENT classes while in High School. Then click “Next”



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If you answered “No”, then indicate that you are “seeking in-state tuition based solely on attendance at a public high school in Colorado....etc” then click “Next”



COF Online Student Application

Please beware of your surroundings as you enter sensitive information into this form.

I am currently a high school student who will be taking Concurrent Enrollment or ASCENT program classes while I am in high school.

- Yes
- No

Immigration status.

- I am a US Citizen, Permanent Resident or otherwise lawfully present in the United States.
- I am seeking in-state tuition based solely on attendance at a public or private high school in Colorado for at least three year immediately preceding the date I either (1) graduated from a Colorado high school OR (2) completed a general equivalency diploma (GED) in Colorado.

Fill out the Affidavit and click "Next"



AFFIDAVIT

(REQUIRED FOR STUDENTS WITHOUT LAWFUL IMMIGRANT STATUS)

Individuals seeking in-state tuition based solely on attendance at a public or private high school in Colorado for at least three years immediately preceding the date the student either (1) graduated from a Colorado high school OR (2) completed a general equivalency diploma (GED) in Colorado, who do not have lawful immigration status must execute the following Affidavit:

I hereby swear or affirm under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Colorado that:

- I have applied for lawful presence in the United States; OR
- I will apply for lawful presence in the United States as soon as I am able to do so. I understand that this sworn statement is required by law. I further acknowledge that making a false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or representation in this sworn affidavit may constitute a violation of the criminal laws of Colorado as perjury in the second degree pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute 18-8-503.

High School Name or GED Location

Full name

Date of Affidavit

Complete Additional Account Information

If you would like to fill out the paper form, complete the **CIRCLED ITEMS**

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COLORADO IN-STATE UNDERGRADUATES:
APPLICATION FOR STATE OF COLORADO TUITION STIPEND AND AFFIDAVIT

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY AND COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS. Incomplete applications will be returned.

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION: Please provide one of the following identification numbers:

Social Security Number _____ -OR-

Permanent Resident Card Number: A _____ -OR-

Check this box if you do not have a Social Security Number, do not wish to use it or have a Social Security Number obtained through DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals).*

*If you check the above box, a unique COF identification number will be assigned to you and you will be required to give this number to each college you attend in order to receive this funding.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Middle Initial: _____ Date of Birth (Must be at least 13 years old): _____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Required

2. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

A. I am currently a high school student applying for COF because I am or will be enrolled in a Concurrent Enrollment or ASCENT (1/2 year high school & college) program. CHECK ONLY ONE BOX

Yes No

If you answered "Yes" no further information is required. Sign and date the application and submit it to the College Opportunity Fund as directed at the bottom of this page.

If you answered "No" complete 2.B. below.

B. CHECK ONLY ONE BOX

1. I am a US Citizen, Permanent Resident or otherwise lawfully present in the United States.

2. I am seeking in-state tuition based solely on attendance at a public or private high school in Colorado for at least three years immediately preceding the date I either (1) graduated from a Colorado high school OR (2) completed a general equivalency diploma (GED) in Colorado.

If you checked B.1, sign and date the application and submit this page only to the College Opportunity Fund.

If you checked B.2, sign and date the application AND complete the Affidavit on the next page.

Signature _____

Date Signed (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

Mail the completed application to: College Opportunity Fund
1560 Broadway, Suite 1700
Denver, Colorado 80202

Or fax the completed application to: (303) 292-1606

Students with a Deferred Action (DACA) Social Security number should NOT use it.

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First Name

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Last Name

Signature

Date Signed (MM/DD/YYYY)

Complete name of the Colorado high school you attended: _____;

OR

Institution in Colorado where you received your GED: _____

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IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

3. You only have to apply for COF once. You will receive the stipend each term you take eligible undergraduate courses at a college participating in the College Opportunity Fund (COF) and have not exhausted the 145 lifetime credit hours allotted by the state of Colorado when you applied for this state funding.
4. If you signed the Affidavit, you only have to complete it once, even if you transfer to another college.
5. For privacy purposes, the information you provide on the Stipend Application, will only be available to you and the college you are attending. The college, with your authorization, will use this information to match your COF account to information you have provided the college when a request for payment is made on your behalf, and will be used to help you access your account information if you forget your User ID and/or password.
6. Completing this Stipend Application does not guarantee you admission into a Colorado college or university. You must complete the admission process with the college or university you wish to attend in the state of Colorado.
7. Completing this Stipend Application does not make you a Colorado resident, nor does it begin any process to determine Colorado residency. The college or university you attend determines residency. If you have any question about whether you are considered a resident, contact the college or university you wish to attend.
8. Completing this Stipend Application does not automatically make you eligible to receive this state funding. You must meet the requirements listed under the FAQ tab at: <http://cof.college-assist.org>. Your college or university determines your eligibility for this funding based on those requirements.
9. Completing this Stipend Application does not make you eligible for financial aid. You must complete the financial aid process designated by the college or university you wish to attend.
10. Future College Opportunity Fund payments are contingent on an annual appropriation by the Colorado General Assembly.

If you have any questions regarding the College Opportunity Fund or this application please contact us

E-mail: AskCOF@college-assist.org

Telephone: (720) 264-8550 OR
(800) 777-2757, if outside the Denver Metro Area.

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