



**2021-2022  
Enrollment  
Guide**

**Make their dreams reality.**

**ANNUAL ENROLLMENT PERIOD**

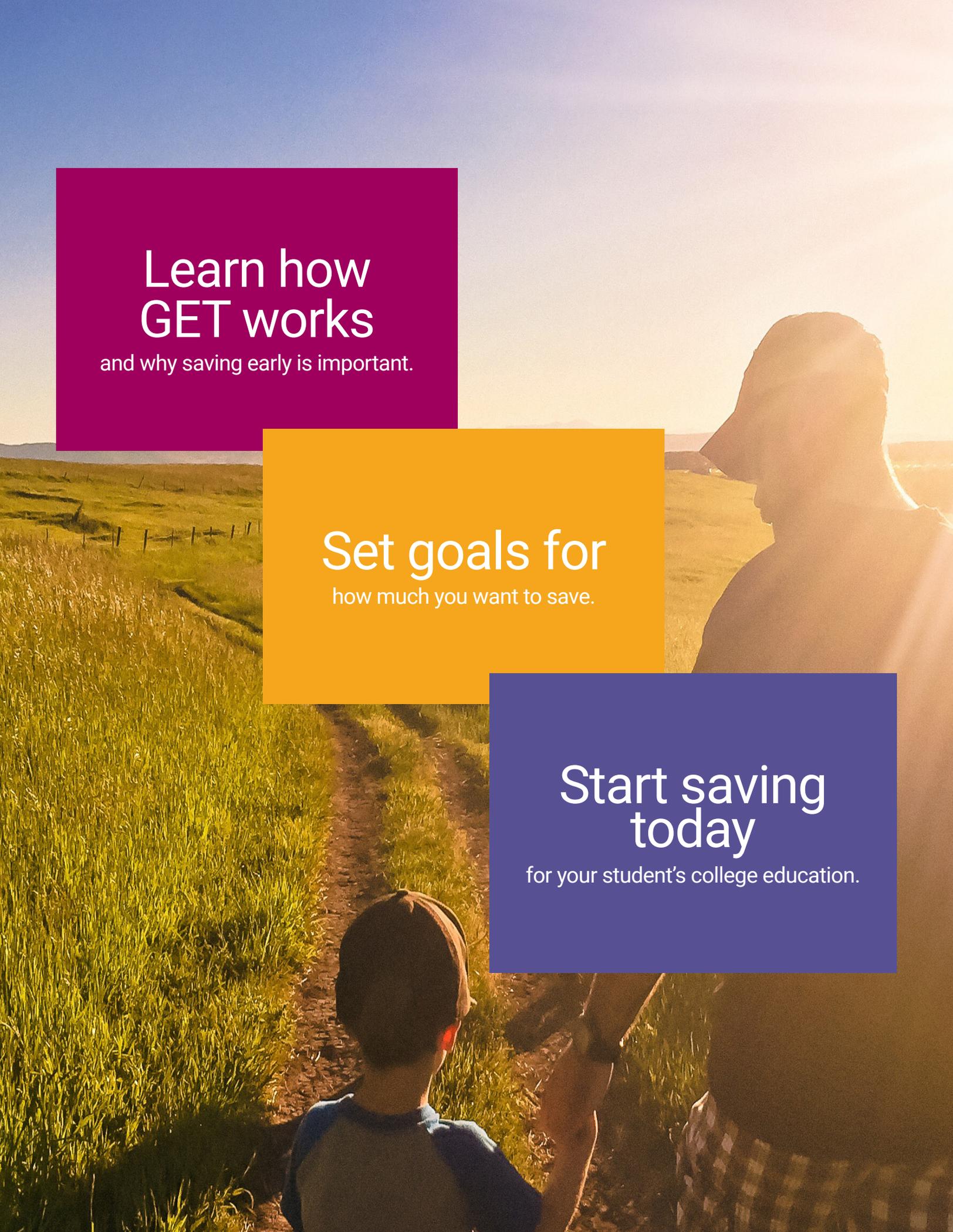
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**GET**  
GUARANTEED EDUCATION TUITION  
a program of  
**WA529**  
WASHINGTON COLLEGE SAVINGS PLANS



Washington State's  
529 Prepaid College  
Tuition Program

A man and a child are walking away from the camera on a dirt path that winds through a vast, green grassy field. The scene is bathed in the warm, golden light of a setting sun, creating a silhouette of the man on the right and the child in the foreground. The sky is a clear, pale blue, and the overall mood is peaceful and hopeful.

# Learn how GET works

and why saving early is important.

## Set goals for

how much you want to save.

## Start saving today

for your student's college education.

**100 GET units purchased today = 1 year of future tuition GUARANTEED.**

# GET helps families save

You can prepare for future college costs by planning ahead. Saving, even a little at a time, can make a big difference down the road. The important thing is to start early and save often.

The Guaranteed Education Tuition (GET) Program is Washington's 529 prepaid college tuition plan. It was established in 1998 to help families save for their students' future higher education costs. The Committee on Advanced Tuition Payment and College Savings (WA529 Committee) governs the program, and the Washington Student Achievement Council administers the program. Since 1998, more than one hundred thousand of Washington families have opened GET accounts and over 60,000 students have already used their accounts to attend colleges, universities and technical schools nationwide. Here's why:



## State guarantee

The State of Washington guarantees that the value of your GET account will keep pace with resident, undergraduate tuition and state-mandated fees at Washington's most expensive public university, no matter how much it changes in the future.<sup>1</sup> With GET, you don't have to worry about the ups and downs of the stock market. You are assured that the money you save with GET will be there when your student is ready for college.

## Choice of colleges nationwide

The value of each GET unit is tied to the cost of resident, undergraduate tuition and state-mandated fees at Washington's most expensive public university, but you can use your units to pay college costs practically anywhere in the country and even at schools around the world. Your GET account has the same monetary value whether your student attends a public university, a local community college or technical school, a private university, or a college in another state. You can even use your GET units to pay for certain apprenticeship program expenses.<sup>2</sup>

**JOIN THOUSANDS OF WASHINGTON FAMILIES AND CHOOSE GET FOR YOUR COLLEGE SAVINGS.**

Since 1998, GET has paid out **\$1.3 billion** to more than 60,000 students help cover college costs.

## Tax-free growth and withdrawals

Because GET is a state 529 plan, any growth in your account will be free from federal income tax. When your student is ready for college, account growth will remain free of federal income tax, as long as you use your funds for qualified higher education expenses. Qualified expenses include tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, and computer equipment.<sup>3</sup> Note that all account contributions are made post-tax.

## Flexibility and control

GET is priced and valued based on in-state tuition and fees. However, you can also use your GET units to pay for room and board, books, computers or other qualified expenses. If your student chooses not to go to college or receives a scholarship, you can transfer your account to another family member, hold on to your account in case plans change, save it for graduate school, pay down student loans, or even request a refund.<sup>4</sup> And, as the GET account owner, you always maintain complete control over the account.

## Easy ways to save

With GET, you can save in the way that best fits your budget. You can make one lump sum contribution, add funds whenever you have extra money to contribute, set up a monthly payment plan, or choose a combination of approaches. You can open an account for anyone – your child, grandchild, friend or even yourself. The only requirement is that either the account owner or the student is a Washington resident at the time you open your account. Family members can help too – a GET contribution makes a great gift for any occasion.

<sup>1</sup> The payout value of GET units is based on resident undergraduate tuition and state-mandated fees at Washington's most expensive public university (University of Washington or Washington State University). The state does not guarantee that you will make money. If in-state tuition decreases in the future, Tuition Units may lose value.

<sup>2</sup> Certain expenses associated with apprenticeship programs registered and certified by the Secretary of Labor under the National Apprenticeship Act.

<sup>3</sup> Review IRS Publication 970 and GET Program Details Booklet at [wastate529.wa.gov](http://wastate529.wa.gov) for a list of qualified higher education expenses.

<sup>4</sup> Earnings on nonqualified and certain other refunds are subject to federal income tax and may be subject to a 10% federal penalty tax, refund fees and penalties charged by GET, as well as state and local income taxes (see the GET Program Details Booklet for more information). The availability of tax or other benefits may be contingent on meeting other requirements.

# How GET works

**“I opened an account for my nephew. It’s a great way to give the whole family an opportunity to contribute on birthdays and holidays.”**

The Payne Family, Olympia

## GET unit payout value

GET works on a unit system, with 100 GET units equal to one year of resident, undergraduate tuition and state-mandated fees at Washington’s most expensive public university. Currently, the highest annual tuition and state-mandated fees at a public university in our state is \$11,401 (at the University of Washington-Tacoma), meaning that the current payout value for one GET unit is \$114.01 (or 1/100th).

## GET’s guarantee

Choosing GET means that your account value is not based on stock market performance. That’s what makes GET different from other savings plans. GET guarantees that when you buy a certain amount of tuition, you will have that same amount of tuition covered in the future, no matter how much the cost changes over time.<sup>1</sup> By state law, this guarantee is backed by the full faith and credit of the State of Washington.<sup>5</sup> That means if GET ever needs to pay out more money than it has available, the Legislature must cover the shortfall.

## Buying GET units

You can buy anywhere from one to 800 units per student (even partial units). You can add units all at once, over time as you have money available, through monthly payments, or through a combination of approaches. Annually, the WA529 Committee sets the unit purchase price based on an actuarial formula that considers a variety of factors including expected cost of future tuition, expenses to operate the program, and a stabilization reserve. Read pages 23 of the GET Program Details Booklet for more details on how the Committee sets the unit price.

**The current unit price is \$114.01 - the first time in GET’s history that the purchase price is the same as the current payout value. This creates an unprecedented opportunity for GET savers this enrollment year to literally “purchase tomorrow’s tuition at today’s price.”**

## How GET operates

As a GET customer, while you are protected by the state guarantee, you can take comfort in knowing that GET carefully manages your contributions to ensure the program is self-sustaining. The WA529 Committee works closely with the Office of the State Actuary to appropriately price units and with the Washington State Investment Board to invest GET contributions responsibly. GET hopes to never need state assistance, but your account is protected by state law no matter what happens.

## Important considerations

While your GET account is guaranteed to keep pace with tuition and is protected from stock market risk, GET does not guarantee that you will make money. Here are some points to consider before choosing GET for your college savings:

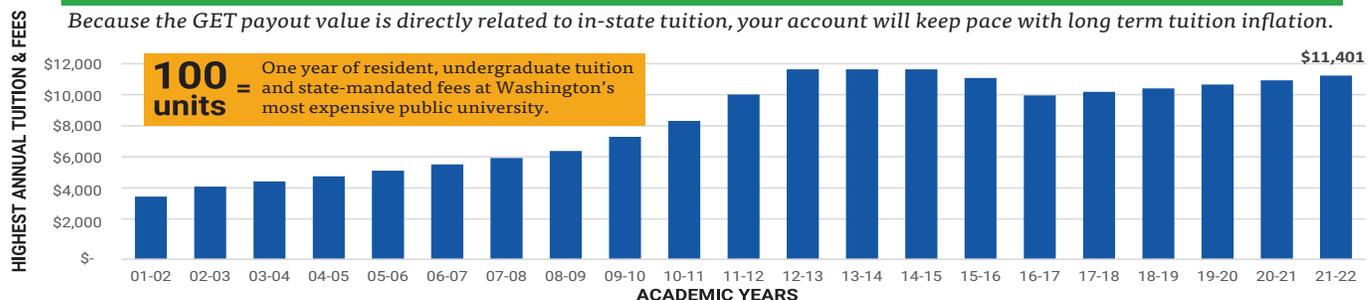
- While this year’s GET unit purchase price is the same as this year’s unit payout value, in any given year the GET unit price can be more than that year’s payout value. This is why many GET customers open accounts for students who are grade-school age or younger. To help ensure future GET unit purchase prices remain affordable, in 2021, the Legislature enacted a new law that limits the annual GET unit purchase price to no more than 10% above that year’s payout value.<sup>6</sup>
- History shows that tuition will likely keep increasing over the long-term, but it may not increase every year. For example, tuition prices fell at our state’s public colleges and universities in the 2015-2016 and 2016- 2017 academic years. Because GET never anticipated tuition dropping, the Legislature gave GET a one-time authorization to keep customer accounts from going down in value with tuition. Any potential future tuition decreases, however, could cause GET units to lose monetary value.

<sup>5</sup> Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 28B.95.050.

<sup>6</sup> Price cap only applies when the current tuition policy is in effect and program’s funded status is above 120%.

## YOUR GET ACCOUNT IS GUARANTEED TO KEEP PACE WITH IN-STATE TUITION PRICES

Because the GET payout value is directly related to in-state tuition, your account will keep pace with long term tuition inflation.



# Saving more can help you borrow less

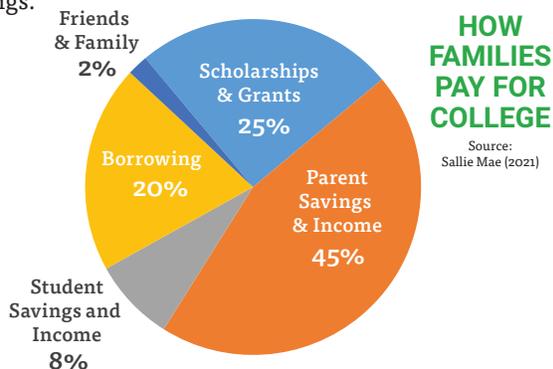
**“I’m so glad I began saving for my kids when they were little. Payroll deduction made it so easy I didn’t even have to think about it.”**

The Hurley Family, Olympia

## Reduce the need for student loans

A recent nationwide survey of parents of college students found that less than half of college costs were covered by parent income and savings.<sup>7</sup> To bridge the gap, families continue to take on more debt to help pay for increasing college costs. Nationwide, total outstanding student loan debt is at an all-time high of \$1.7 trillion.<sup>8</sup> The average college graduate in Washington today faces over \$24,600 in student loan debt.<sup>9</sup> This debt can create a significant burden for young adults at the start of their careers.

Making a plan to save while your student is still young can help reduce reliance on future borrowing. It’s also important to be realistic in setting savings goals. Too often families wait to save because the thought of paying for college can seem overwhelming. The reality is that most families will not be able to save enough to cover every future college expense, and that’s okay. Most families rely on a combination of efforts to pay for college, including financial aid, scholarships, loans, income, and savings.



## Saving even a little helps a lot

A commitment to saving for college can be difficult to make, especially for young families with tight budgets. Ask parents of college students, however, and they’ll likely agree that any amount helps. Contributing regularly to your GET account can add up over time and help make college more accessible and affordable for your student. Whether you save enough to cover tuition, provide for a semester abroad, or simply reduce the amount of student loans, you’ll value the effort for years to come. Here are some ideas to get started:

**Skip the latte and brew your own coffee.** That could free up over \$1,000 per year to contribute to your college savings.<sup>10</sup>



The average **income tax refund** in 2020 was just over \$2,700.<sup>11</sup> Set that aside and give your savings a boost.



**Just \$5 a day for ten years** could give you over \$18,000 more to contribute to your college savings, and that doesn’t even include potential savings growth.



<sup>7</sup> “2021 How America Pays for College” (Sallie Mae, 2021)

<sup>8</sup> “Consumer Credit - G.19: June 2021” (The Federal Reserve, 2021)

<sup>9</sup> “The Project on Student Debt” (Institute for College Access & Success, 2021)

<sup>10</sup> Calculation assumes a \$4.25 difference between the cost of a latte vs. brewing your own coffee; and an average of 250 working days in a year.

<sup>11</sup> “2021 Filing Season Statistics” (Internal Revenue Service, 2021)

## Start early and save

**You can enroll newborns year-round, up to their 1st birthday.** Family members often like to recognize a child’s birth or special milestones of a baby’s first year with a lasting gift. Opening a GET account to which friends and family can contribute is an ideal choice. Gift announcements are available for you to download from our website.

### Did you know you can get a head start and open a GET account for future children?

Just open an account during the enrollment period, naming yourself as both the account owner and student beneficiary. Once a child is born and has a Social Security Number, you can change the name of the student. If plans change, you can always use the GET account for yourself, or transfer it to another family member.\*

**Plan ahead for your family.** Another simple start to your college savings is to open one account that can be used to save for all of your future children. Make contributions over time, then transfer Lump Sum amounts to new accounts that you open for each child later on. Families who start early have more time to contribute, and watch their savings add up.

\* For changes to the student on your account to occur free from federal or state income taxes, the new student must be a family member of the original student, as defined in IRS Publication 970. See the Program Details Booklet for a definition of family member.



# Use GET for a variety of college costs

89% of families who made the investment in education believe that a college degree will create opportunities that the student wouldn't have had otherwise.

Source: Sallie Mae (2021)

## How you use your GET units is up to you

No matter what your future plans are, GET is a solid savings foundation because it's guaranteed to keep pace with in-state tuition prices. You can buy from one to 800 units per student and use up to 200 units per academic year. Any unused units from one year automatically roll over for use in the following year.

While GET's unit payout value is based on in-state tuition and state-mandated fees, you can use your units in a variety of ways. Regional and community colleges require fewer units, while private and out-of-state universities generally require more. If a school's tuition costs more than the value of the units you have available, you pay the difference. If you have more units than you need for tuition, you can use GET to pay for other qualified higher education expenses such as room and board, books, computers, and supplies.

Most families will not be able to save enough to fund all college costs, but saving regularly over time can add up. The average GET account contains just over 200 units. Whether you can save for multiple years of tuition and state-mandated fees, or just enough to help towards the cost of books and supplies, you can help to make your student's dreams come true. Funding your GET account with the amount that fits in your budget is the best approach. The important part is to start early and save often.

## What GET units can buy

No matter how much you are able to save with GET, there are a variety of higher education expenses that you can pay for. Here are just a few examples that show the flexible ways that you can use your GET units:\*

### UNITS

**800** Four years of undergraduate and two years graduate tuition and fees at UW or WSU (depending on area of study).



**500** About two years of the full cost of attendance at UW or WSU.

**400** Two years of tuition, fees, room & board, books and supplies at an in-state regional university.



**100** One year of tuition and state-mandated fees at UW or WSU.

**75** About two years of tuition and fees at an in-state community or technical college.



**60** About one year of tuition at a non-profit online university.

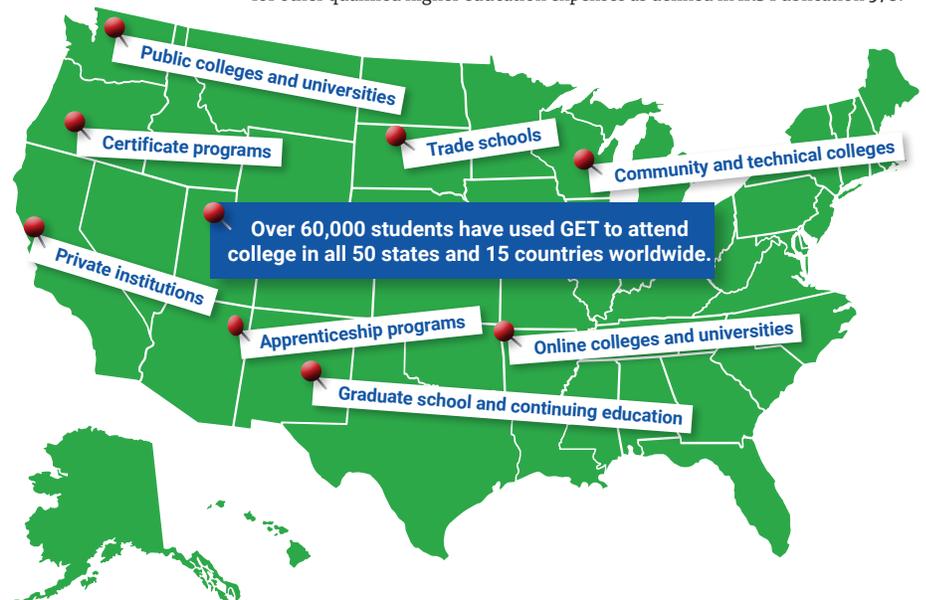


**25** About two to three years of books and supplies at an in-state public university.

\*Examples shown are estimates based on the cost of various college expenses as of October 1, 2021. Actual future costs may vary. You may use additional units for other qualified higher education expenses as defined in IRS Publication 970.

## USE GET NATIONWIDE AT THE SCHOOL OF YOUR CHOICE.

You can use GET at nearly any public or private college, university or technical school in the country, and even in some foreign countries. The unit payout value is the same, whether your student attends an in-state public school or an out-of-state or private college.



# Explore your saving options

It's never too early to plan ahead.  
College is an investment for a lifetime.

**With GET, you can set your college savings goals realistically.** Custom Monthly Plans start at \$42, and automatic monthly withdrawals from your bank account can be set up for any amount for Lump Sum Plans. Perhaps you have money set aside to get your college savings started, and then plan to contribute more over the coming years. Tax refunds, birthdays and holidays can all be opportunities to add to your account. **Remember that no matter how much you are able to save, even small amounts over time can make a big difference.**

## Three easy ways to save

**1 Lump Sum Plan.** GET's "pay as you go" plan lets you buy any number of units (from one to 800) whenever you choose. You can even buy partial units at any time, though you must buy at least one unit when you first open your account. Whenever you buy units in "Lump Sum," you pay the unit price (currently \$114.01) that is in effect at the time we receive your payment. The unit price is set annually, and may also be adjusted once annually, to ensure the actuarial soundness of the program. You must hold your Lump Sum units for at least two years before you can use them.

**2 Custom Monthly Plan.** By contributing a set amount monthly, your units can add up as your student grows. GET's Custom Monthly Plan features a monthly payment that remains the same throughout the term of your contract. You can contract for 50 to 800 units (in 50 unit increments) with your choice of payment term (between one and eighteen years). Your contract locks in the current \$114.01 unit price. The monthly payment amount includes a 5.5 percent finance charge, so it's best to choose the shortest payment term you can comfortably afford to save on total finance charges.<sup>12</sup> To use your units, your contract must be paid in full and your account must be open for at least two calendar years.

**3 You can always choose to save both ways.** If you open a Custom Monthly Plan account, you can add Lump Sum units at any time. If you start with Lump Sum and then want to start a Custom Monthly Plan, you can open a new account during our open enrollment period. Our website has a GET Custom Monthly Calculator to help you decide which plan(s) fit your budget.

This year, the **GET purchase price matches the current payout value** exactly, creating the opportunity to **literally buy future tuition at this year's price**. Historically, the GET unit purchase price has included a premium over that year's payout value and could again include a premium in future years.<sup>13</sup>

## Several payment options available

**Automatic bank withdrawal.** You can have money automatically withdrawn from your bank account and deposited directly into your GET account. You can choose to pay your Custom Monthly Plan amount, or set up a one-time or recurring payment to purchase Lump Sum units. Just sign up online or complete an automatic withdrawal authorization form on our website. Note that we take Custom Monthly Plan payments out of your bank account on the 15th day of each month.

**Online payments.** You can transfer money at any time from your bank directly to your GET account through our electronic bank transfer system through US Bank. This method is often used by giftors who want to make a contribution to an account. The bank charges a \$1 convenience fee for each transaction, and you may make payments on up to four accounts per transaction. You can also set up payments to GET through your own bank. Visit our website or call us to learn more.

**Payroll deduction.** You can have money deducted from your paycheck and deposited directly into your GET account. If your employer already participates in GET payroll deduction, simply complete the payroll deduction authorization form, available on our website, and submit it to your employer's payroll department. If your employer does not yet participate, suggest it to your human resources department. Let us know too and we'll be happy to send your employer all of the necessary information.

**Payment coupons.** If you prefer to mail your payment, let us know and we can send you a book of payment coupons. When you need to make a payment, just send us a coupon with your check or money order by the 15th day of every month for the Custom Monthly Plan or use these coupons whenever you have extra money to contribute to the Lump Sum Plan.

<sup>12</sup> The 5.5% finance charge is compounded annually. The monthly payment also includes a small interest adjustment and is rounded to the next whole dollar.

<sup>13</sup> GET is a self-sustaining program that helps families buy future tuition. The unit price, which typically includes a premium above current tuition, takes into account estimated future tuition, projected inflation and investment returns, and estimated future administrative costs. It also includes a stabilization reserve to adjust for periods of lower-than-expected returns or higher-than-expected tuition. The premium assures stability for the GET program. You may need to hold your units for several years before the unit payout value exceeds the unit purchase price. Read the GET Program Details Booklet for more information on how the GET unit purchase price is set.

Use your GET units at nearly any public or private college, university or technical school in the country. They can even be used for apprenticeships and applied to student loans.

# Top 10 most frequently asked questions

## 1 Can GET be used at private colleges or out-of-state universities?

You can use your GET units at nearly any public or private college, university or technical school in the U.S.; for certain apprenticeship program expenses; and at selected colleges in other countries. A college is eligible if it participates in federal financial aid programs through the U.S. Department of Education. For information about schools or to check if your school is FAFSA-eligible, visit [wastate529.wa.gov/pay-for-school](http://wastate529.wa.gov/pay-for-school).

## 2 What if my student gets a scholarship?

You have several options. If your student's scholarship covers tuition and fees, you can use your GET units to pay for room and board, books, or other qualified higher education expenses. You can also transfer the account, in whole or in part, to another family member.<sup>14</sup> You can request a refund (see our Refund/Cancellation Policy for details).<sup>15</sup> You can also wait up to ten years to see if your student may want to apply GET funds toward graduate school.

## 3 How will GET savings affect our financial aid?

If the parent or dependent student is the account owner, GET is considered a parental asset and may have a smaller impact than student assets or income when determining financial aid eligibility. Distributions from GET accounts owned by non-parents may be treated as student income the following year and may have a greater impact. We encourage you to consult your financial advisor or the financial aid office at your school for more specifics.

## 4 What if I can't make my monthly payments? What are my options?

If you can no longer make payments on your Custom Monthly Plan, you may have the option to 1) convert to a Lump Sum Plan and end your monthly payments, 2) reduce the total number of units in your contract to lower your payment, 3) increase the number of years in your contract to lower your payment, or 4) close the account and request a refund.<sup>15</sup> Please review our Program Details Booklet and Refund/Cancellation Policy or call us for details and options for your account.

## 5 What if my student does not go to college?

You have several options. Students have up to ten years after their selected benefit use year to begin using their GET account. Many students who aren't ready for college upon high school graduation later change their minds. You can transfer funds in the account to another family member with an existing account, or change the student beneficiary on the entire account to another family member.<sup>14</sup> You can request a refund, though you will need to pay taxes on any increase in value as well as a refund penalty.<sup>14</sup> Please review the Program Details Booklet and the Refund/Cancellation Policy for details.

## 6 How do I know GET is safe?

The state guarantees that if you buy one unit today, it will be worth 1/100th of an academic year of future tuition and state-mandated fees at Washington's highest-priced public university. If future tuition increases ever require the program to pay out more money than it has available, the Legislature would be required by state law to provide funding to cover the shortfall (RCW 28B.95.050). GET is self-sustaining and does not rely on general state funds. We carefully evaluate the unit price up to twice annually to ensure that future college funds will always be there for GET families. Note that GET does not guarantee that you will make money. If tuition at Washington State's highest priced public university decreases, the monetary value of your units may decrease.



## 7 Are units the same as credits?

GET units are not the same as credit hours at a college, university or technical school. Credit hours have an academic value. Credits vary between schools and represent an academic year or degree requirements. GET units have a dollar value. You buy GET units at a set price today and whenever your student attends college, the dollar value of your units will be based on tuition costs at that time, no matter how much they have changed. One unit equals 1/100th of the actual cost of resident, undergraduate tuition and state-mandated fees at Washington's most expensive public university.

<sup>14</sup> For student changes to occur free from federal or state income taxes, the new student must be a family member of the original student. See the Program Details Booklet for a definition of family member.

<sup>15</sup> Earnings on nonqualified and certain other refunds are subject to federal income tax and may be subject to a 10% federal penalty tax, as well as state and local income taxes. The availability of tax or other benefits may be contingent on meeting other requirements.



More than one-third (37%) of recently surveyed parents of college students used a college savings account like a 529.

Source: Sallie Mae 2021

## VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE FAQs.

### 8 How is the unit purchase price set? Is it different than the payout value?

The WA529 Committee sets the unit purchase price with the input of an actuarial formula that takes into account estimated future tuition, projected inflation and investment returns, and administrative costs. It also includes a stabilization reserve to adjust for periods of lower-than-expected investment returns or higher-than-expected tuition growth. The Committee sets the unit price annually, and may adjust it once annually, if needed, to ensure financial stability for the program. To learn more about how The Committee sets the unit purchase price, read page 23 of the GET Program Details Booklet.

The payout value of a GET unit is established at the beginning of each academic year when the state public universities set their tuition rates. Each year, the payout value of a GET unit represents 1/100th of the actual resident, undergraduate tuition and state-mandated fees at Washington's most expensive public university.

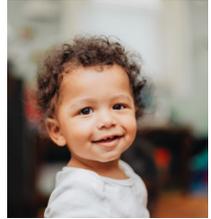
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### 9 How do I use my GET units?

When your student is ready for college, we'll send you information on how to use your units. You will complete a Direct Payment Request if you want GET to send money directly to the school, or a Reimbursement Request if you have paid college expenses from your own funds.

**You must hold your units for at least two years before using them. If you have a Custom Monthly Plan, it must be paid in full before using your units.**

As the account owner, you maintain control of your account and are the only one who can request account changes, distributions or a refund.



### 10 How is GET different from DreamAhead?

In addition to GET, Washington offers another 529 plan called the DreamAhead College Investment Plan. Families who save with GET can also save with DreamAhead, as DreamAhead is intended to complement GET and can help families save for additional college costs.

As a 529 plan, DreamAhead features the same federal tax benefits as GET. Other DreamAhead features, however, are much different. Unlike GET, DreamAhead is a market-based 529 plan, so a participant's investment returns are tied to financial market performance. DreamAhead investors have multiple investment choices with varied degrees of customization and risk. Investment options include portfolios that automatically adjust as a student grows up and fixed portfolios that let participants choose their risk tolerance. DreamAhead is open for enrollment year-round. Learn more about DreamAhead at [wastate529.wa.gov](http://wastate529.wa.gov).

## GET makes a great gift

**Grandparents and other friends and family members** can easily contribute to a student's GET account online or by mail. It's the perfect gift for special occasions such as baby showers, birthdays and holidays. Giftors can contribute to an existing GET account, or start a new account for a child. In fact, over 13% of GET accounts are opened by grandparents or other family members who are not the child's parents.

**The gift of education is one that will open doors to a world of opportunity and is sure to last a lifetime.**



# Enroll now

**“GET makes it easy to save for our three girls. Their grandparents love to give money toward their college funds, too.”**

The Freeby Family, Olympia

## Enroll online and pay no enrollment fee

Enrolling is easy and only takes a few minutes. **Plus, when you enroll online, you do not pay the \$50 enrollment fee.** Just click “Open an Account” on our website. You can set up a Lump Sum or Custom Monthly Plan, choose how many units you want to buy, then set up an electronic funds transfer, automatic withdrawal, or send us a check or money order to get your account started. It’s that easy. You can view your account status and change certain account information online whenever it’s convenient for you. You can also email us at [GETInfo@wsac.wa.gov](mailto:GETInfo@wsac.wa.gov) or call our Contact Center **(1.800.955.2318)** during business hours for personal assistance.

### You will need the following information:

- **About you (Account Owner)**  
Social Security number and contact information, including email address
- **About your student (Beneficiary)**  
Social Security number, contact information, date of birth and projected benefit use year
- **About your plan selection**  
Lump Sum Plan or Custom Monthly Plan

## Additional enrollment information

You can also enroll by mail with a paper enrollment form. We charge a \$50 non-refundable enrollment fee for each paper enrollment form. You may qualify for the \$100 maximum family fee if the same account owner opens accounts for more than two students living at the same address. You can pay the enrollment fee by check, enclosed with the paper form.

### Be sure to thoroughly review the GET Program Details Booklet before you enroll.

After you enroll, you will receive a welcome email confirming your enrollment within two weeks. If you plan to make your payments by paper check and request a coupon book, your coupon book will follow within a few weeks for a Lump Sum plan or 2-3 weeks before your first payment due date for a Custom Monthly plan. Typically, you will be able to view your account details online within ten business days.



Enroll online and pay **no enrollment fee**  
(paper application enrollment fee: \$50)

**Open an account by May 31, 2022**

## Important dates

### Opening an account

- November 1, 2021** The 2021-2022 enrollment year begins. You can open an account at the \$114.01 unit price.
- May 31, 2022** The 2021-2022 enrollment year ends. If you enroll online, you must complete your enrollment by midnight PT on May 31. If you enroll by mail, your enrollment form must be **postmarked** by May 31.  
Online enrollment gets congested during the final week of the enrollment period.  
To avoid frustration, please enroll early.

### Buying units for your account (if you open your account on or before May 31, 2022)

- June 24, 2022** We must receive your payment by June 24 to ensure any Lump Sum Units are purchased at the \$114.01 price. Any payments received after this date may not be processed before the June 30 unit purchase price deadline, and we will post it at the Unit Purchase Price in effect for the 2022-2023 Enrollment Period.
- July 1, 2022** Any new units purchased beginning on this date are subject to the 2022-2023 GET unit price (which could be different than this year’s price) once set by the WA529 Committee. Call our Contact Center for details, or check our website.

### Enrollment dates and unit price for 2022-2023

Annually, the program will announce an enrollment period. The WA529 Committee sets the unit purchase price annually and may also adjust the unit purchase price once during the year, if necessary, to ensure the actuarial soundness of the program. The dates for the 2022-2023 enrollment period and the corresponding unit price will be available by Fall 2022. Please check our website or call our Contact Center for details.



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## Planning Tools

- Choose the savings options and payment plans that best fit your budget and savings goals with our Payment Calculator.
- Get more info on how GET works with interactive videos, webinars, and tutorials.
- Learn how Washington's other 529 plan, the DreamAhead College Investment Plan, differs from and complements GET.
- See how GET and DreamAhead compare to other savings options.
- Discover how GET is priced and valued on our Price, Payout and Fees page.



## News, Events & Resources

- Stay up-to-date on our WA529 in the News page.
- Join a webinar or find out how to meet GET representatives on our Knowledge Cafe, Community Events, and Request a Speaker pages.
- Read about GET customer experiences on our Testimonials page.
- Access financial wellness and college readiness resources.
- Review WA529-related reports and actuarial analyses.

## 24/7 Account Access

Easily manage your GET account online with our secure customer portal.



# Save today. Secure tomorrow.

## Contact Us

1-800-955-2318 (toll-free; translation services available)

[GETInfo@wsac.wa.gov](mailto:GETInfo@wsac.wa.gov)

Monday – Friday, 8am – 5pm PT

## Correspondence

GET Program

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GET Program

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