

## Mentoring & Oversight for Developing Independence with Foster Youth

### Services & eligibility:

Youth who aged out of a foster care placement at 18 or had a finalized legal guardianship/adoption through the Department of Human Services (DoHS) on or after the age of 16 and are ready to start school at a WV college, university or approved vocational program may qualify for:

- *Education and Training Voucher funds (up to \$5,000/ school year) until they complete their first certificate or bachelor's degree, receive 5 years of funding or turn 26 years old*
- *Youth can apply for services up until the age of 25 as services end once the youth turn 26 years of age*

### Education and Training Voucher can cover:

- *Tuition and fees*
- *Room and board*
- *Educational supplies, including books*
- *Computer and software (if not provided by DoHS)*
- *Clothing and special equipment*
- *Transportation costs (with limitations)*
- *Other supportive services*

### Fall Semester Enrollment

- *Referral deadline: June 1*
- *All paperwork in: July 1*

### Spring Semester Enrollment

- *Referral deadline: Oct. 1*
- *All paperwork in: Nov. 1*

### Summer Session Enrollment

- *Referral deadline: Mar. 1*
- *All paperwork in: Apr. 1*

**Contact us!  
To make a  
referral, visit:**



**modify.cedwvu.org  
or call 1-866-720-3605**

### Necessary documentation:

- *Copy of high school diploma or Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC) certificate*
- *Copy of acceptance letter to a WV public college, university or approved vocational program*
- *Verification of Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) submission*
- *Student identification number*
- *Copy of financial aid award, student account summary and grades via completed proxy or signed FERPA consent*

*\*Other documentation may be required to ensure services can be opened in a timely manner*

### Maintaining eligibility:

- *Complete 80 percent of enrolled credit hours*
- *Maintain a 2.0 GPA*
- *Maintain FAFSA eligibility through the school*
- *Verification of enrollment, tuition, fees and midterm and final grades via completed proxy or signed FERPA consent*
- *Maintain monthly contact with your worker via emails, texts, calls or visits*
- *Be engaged in at least 40 hours per week of productive activity related to transition*