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Utah Fits All Scholarship

Details

How to use state funding to pay for
a child's microschool experience

What is the Utah Fits All Scholarship?

The Utah Fits All (UFA) Scholarship provides parents with direct access to their child's education funds, enabling them to choose the learning environment and resources that best suit their child's needs. Scholarship funds are managed by a program manager. ACE Scholarships will be managing the UFA Scholarship. Prenda works with ACE Scholarships and ClassWallet to provide the Prenda experience to students in Utah.

UFA funds can be used to pay for a student's microschool experience, including paying the student's quarterly Prenda invoices.

What is Prenda's relationship with UFA?

Prenda is an approved provider through ACE.

Prenda makes it easy for guides to set up and operate a microschool that can accept UFA funds. Prenda assists guides with many financial administrative tasks, such as not needing to become an approved provider with ACE and generating parent invoices on their behalf. This enables guides to start a microschool quickly and receive compensation for it easily.



Does signing a student up with Prenda guarantee that they will get UFA funding?

No. Applying for and receiving UFA funding happens through ACE and is a separate process from enrolling with Prenda. Signing a student up for Prenda does not guarantee a student's ability to secure UFA funds. As an approved provider, Prenda has no direct influence on a family's ability to receive a UFA scholarship.

Who is eligible for the UFA program?

The UFA program is available to **all Utah students in grades kindergarten through twelve**. Kindergarteners must be 5 years old by September 2nd of the school year they wish to enroll in. There are approximately 10,000 scholarships available for the 2024-2025 school year. Scholarships will be awarded in order of the following prioritization categories:

First priority:

Previous enrollment in the program (will not apply for the 2024-2025 school year)

Second priority:

Students from families with income at or below 200% of the federal poverty level.

Third priority:

Students who have siblings in the program

Fourth priority:

Students from families with income below 555% of the federal poverty level

Parents who want their students to receive priority funding because of household income must submit their income tax return to apply for a UFA scholarship. Students with UFA funding cannot be enrolled in or attend a public school full-time. They can not receive either the Carson Smith Special Needs Scholarship or the Special Needs Opportunity Scholarship.

What is the UFA Scholarship application process?

The UFA scholarship application will be open from February 28th to April 15th for the 2024–2025 school year. After the application window closes, scholarships will be awarded in order of prioritization categories until all available scholarships have been awarded. If there are more applications in a prioritization category than there are scholarships available, students will be randomly awarded scholarships. Students who do not receive a scholarship will be placed on a waitlist and given a number on the waitlist if additional scholarships become available.

Step 1: Apply

The legal parent or guardian of the student applies for a UFA Scholarship on the ACE website [HERE](#). The adult applying must submit a separate application for each child and provide parent and student **social security numbers**, the student's **birth certificate**, **proof of residency** documents, and **proof of income** documentation if applying in one of the prioritization categories.

[Learn more about acceptable UFA application documents.](#)

Step 2: Wait for UFA award notification

ACE will notify families within 24–48 hours after applying with a notification verifying their student's eligibility in the program, as well as the enrollment preference category they belong to. This means that ACE has verified the student as a K–12 eligible student who is a state resident. **By April 18th, families will be notified with information on whether they've been awarded a scholarship or been waitlisted.** Awarded families will receive further instructions on how to receive scholarship funds. Waitlisted families will receive their place on the waitlist and instructions on what to do next.

Please note: Prenda does not monitor students' UFA application statuses.



Step 3: Wait for funds in ClassWallet

ClassWallet is the financial management portal used by ACE to manage a student's UFA funds. The entire year of funds will be deposited into student accounts no later than August 7th, 2024. Parents will use ClassWallet to pay their child's Prenda invoices.

How much funding will students receive?

UFA Scholarships are \$8,000 per student.

What if UFA funds do not cover the total fee on a child's Prenda invoice?

Most families can pay their entire Prenda invoice with state funds. However, if the invoiced amount is higher than the amount of UFA Scholarship funding a student receives, then the student's family is responsible for paying the difference out of pocket. Prenda encourages guides to take UFA Scholarship funding amounts into consideration when setting their guide fee.

What if a student does not receive the UFA scholarship?

Families whose students do not receive the UFA scholarship can still participate in a Prenda microschool. In those cases, families will be responsible for paying their entire Prenda invoice with their personal funds.



When does funding begin?

ACE distributes funds in one lump sum, and funding will be sent to student accounts no later than August 7th for the entire year.

How often does Prenda invoice families and how often are Prenda guides paid?

Prenda invoices students quarterly.

Prenda pays guides quarterly after each student's invoice is paid in full.

Families are expected and encouraged to pay their quarterly Prenda invoices through ClassWallet as soon as they have received their quarterly invoices so that their child's guide may be paid without delay.

Questions

Please reach out to us at <https://www.prenda.com/contact>. We'd love to support you every step of the way in using UFA funds for your Prenda microschool experience!

UFA Resources

- [UFA Scholarship Parent Handbook](#)
- [UFA Overview](#)
- [UFA HelpCenter](#)
- ACE Scholarships Contact Information
 - [Help request link](#)
 - Phone: 1-385-503-8327





Top Tips for Success

1. Start Early

Complete the application prior to the April 15th deadline

2. Complete Documentation Carefully

- Submit complete and accurate documents with the initial UFA application to avoid delays.
- Include front and back color images of all documentation, and ensure the adult's name is listed on proof of residency and any income verification documentation

3. Await Award Notification

Promptly respond to any requests for additional documents to prevent unnecessary delays in the processing timeline.

4. Understand Funding Schedule

Familiarize yourself with the funding schedule.

5. Utilize ClassWallet Efficiently

- Learn how to navigate and use ClassWallet for managing UFA funds.
- Pay Prenda invoices promptly through ClassWallet once UFA funding is received.

6. Communicate with Prenda

Maintain open communication with Prenda to address any concerns or questions about the UFA funding process.

