



**DEADLINE: FRIDAY  
DECEMBER 8, 2017  
4 P.M.**

**APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT ALL  
PAPERWORK TO GEAR UP  
BIRMINGHAM'S OFFICE.**

The GEAR UP Birmingham College Tuition Waiver is a last-dollar "tuition only." The waiver is available to the students of the Birmingham cohort upon successful completion of high school who meet the specified criteria for college admission. The GEAR UP Birmingham College Tuition Waiver is also available to the parents/legal guardians of GEAR UP Birmingham students who are currently enrolled in the GEAR UP cohort and qualify for admission at any institution or technical college within the Alabama Community College System (ACCS).

## **ELIGIBILITY**

### **PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN**

- Must be the legal guardian of the GEAR UP Birmingham (GUB) cohort student currently enrolled in the GUB Program (verified by your child's GEAR UP cohort)
- Must enroll in a public community or technical college in the state of Alabama no later than May 31, 2022
- Must meet all admission requirements at the desired public community or technical college in the state of Alabama
- Must complete the free Application for Federal Student Aid ([fafsa.ed.gov](https://fafsa.ed.gov))
- Must demonstrate financial need (have tuition balance remaining once all Federal Grant funding, scholarships and gift aid have been applied towards the student's tuition balance)
- Must be a resident of Alabama or Active Military with a child who is a member of the GUB cohort
- Child must be actively enrolled in the GUB cohort no later than August of his/her 11th grade year and remain actively enrolled until successful graduation
- Applications of individuals who already have a certificate or degree will be reviewed by the ACCS Advisory Committee to determine if they are eligible to receive the GUB last-dollar tuition waiver

## **ELIGIBILITY STUDENT**

- Must graduate as an active member of the GUB cohort from a participating school
- Must enroll in any institution or technical college within the Alabama Community College System within one year of graduating high school
- Must meet all admission requirements at the desired public community or technical college within the Alabama Community College System
- Must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid ([fafsa.ed.gov](https://fafsa.ed.gov))
- Must demonstrate financial need (have a tuition balance remaining once all Federal Grant funding, scholarships and gift aid have been applied towards the student's tuition balance)
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*\*Birmingham City Schools 9th and 10th grade students and guardians only\**