Students: Could you use help paying for food each month?

Students 18-49 who attend higher education at least half time may be eligible for SNAP – Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program – by meeting income guidelines and additional criteria.

1. **INCOME**: Those who fall below Oregon’s Income Guidelines may be eligible for SNAP:

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*Monthly amounts go up $642 for each additional person.*

Students attending class less than half time and those age 50+ do not need to meet additional criteria, only income.

2. **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA**: Students must also meet at least one of the following:

- Paid employee working an average of 20 hours each week
- Self employed at least 20 hours each week and have countable monthly income of at least $1247 after business costs
- Working in a federally funded work-study position – any number of hours
- Responsible for the care of a child (specific age requirements apply)
- Receiving TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) cash assistance
- In a Workforce Investment Act (WIA) training program
- Receiving Unemployment Compensation
- Participating in at least one of the Employment Department training programs
- Unable to work due to physical or physiological difficulties

**Other factors affecting eligibility:**
- Students cannot be participating in any school meal plan.
- Students on a break from school must still meet student criteria.
- Students under the age of 22, still living at home, must apply with their family.
- Financial aid received through the Veterans Administration or private scholarships count as income.

**How to Apply for SNAP**

1. You have options:
   - Complete and submit an application online at [https://apps.state.or.us/onlineApplication](https://apps.state.or.us/onlineApplication), or
   - Walk into a DHS SNAP office and pick up, fill out, and turn in a paper application. Most offices are offering same day or next day service. Find your nearest SNAP office by calling 2-1-1 or visiting [www.oregon.gov/DHS/assistance/Pages/localoffices.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/assistance/Pages/localoffices.aspx)

2. A SNAP eligibility worker will meet with you either in person or over the phone. You will need:
   - Identification (such as a drivers license)
   - Social Security numbers for everyone applying (original cards not required)
   - Proof of income for the last 30 days (such as check stubs)
   - A copy of your work study award letter, if applicable.

**Questions?** Contact 2-1-1, or Partners For a Hunger-Free Oregon, SNAP Outreach Manager - Katie Furia: katie@oregonhunger.org/503.595.5501 x308

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