

AUBURN FIRST

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GETTING STARTED: **Tuition Waiver**

STEP 1

Complete an Auburn First Application and select Application Fee Waiver on the “Payment Options” page.

STEP 2

Once accepted to the Auburn First program, make sure you have completed and submitted the “Intent to Enroll” form.

- Auburn First cannot start the verification process or award a tuition waiver for any student who does not have an Intent to Enroll form on file.

STEP 3

A member of the Auburn First team will reach out to verify your eligibility when your “Intent to Enroll” form has been received.

STEP 4

Complete the verification process for a tuition waiver and the online Student Orientation course to register for classes.



Tuition Waiver FAQs

What is a tuition waiver?

Our tuition waiver program waives the tuition of Auburn First courses for Alabama students who qualify for the free or reduced lunch program. This means that eligible students are not responsible for tuition, only the cost of textbooks and course materials.

Who qualifies for a tuition waiver?

Students who meet the eligibility guidelines for the free or reduced lunch program will qualify for a tuition waiver. You do not need to actively receive free or reduced lunch to qualify for a tuition waiver.

How long does the tuition waiver last?

Tuition waivers are approved through the current academic year (Fall to Summer). This means that a student who was approved to begin receiving a tuition waiver in a Fall semester is eligible to receive one through the following Summer semester. Tuition waivers that were initially approved for a Summer semester will extend through the end of the following academic year.



Auburn First Tuition Waiver Program Eligibility (2024-25)

These eligibility guidelines will be used to determine tuition waiver eligibility for the entire 2024-25 academic year (fall, spring, and summer). The income guidelines were retrieved [here](#).

You qualify for a tuition waiver if you meet one of the following economic need indicators:

- Directly certified for free or reduced lunch through participation in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR);
- A member of your household participates in the Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC);
- Categorically eligible for free or reduced lunch as a foster child, a homeless child, a migrant child, or a runaway child (see below for definitions); or
- *Total GROSS household income** is **not more than...**

Household Size**	Annual	Monthly	2x Month	Every 2 Weeks	Weekly
1	\$27,861	\$2,322	\$1,161	\$1,072	\$536
2	\$37,814	\$3,152	\$1,576	\$1,455	\$728
3	\$47,767	\$3,981	\$1,991	\$1,838	\$919
4	\$57,720	\$4,810	\$2,405	\$2,220	\$1,110
5	\$67,763	\$5,640	\$2,820	\$2,603	\$1,302
6	\$77,626	\$6,469	\$3,235	\$2,986	\$1,493
7	\$87,579	\$7,299	\$3,650	\$3,369	\$1,685
8	\$97,532	\$8,128	\$4,064	\$3,752	\$1,876
For each additional family member...	+\$9,953	+\$830	+\$415	+\$383	+\$192

* *Total gross household income* refers to the total income for each member of your household before any deductions such as income taxes, Social Security taxes, insurance premiums, charitable contributions, and bonds.

** A *household* includes related or nonrelated individuals who are living together as one economic unit and are not residents of an institution or boarding house.

Definitions

Foster child means a child who is formally placed by a court or an agency that administers a State plan under parts B or E of title IV of the Social Security Act.

Homeless child means a child identified as lacking a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence.

Migrant child means a child identified as meeting the definition of migrant in section 1309 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

Runaway child means a child identified as a runaway receiving assistance under a program under the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act.

Sources of Income		
Earnings from Work	Public Assistance/Alimony/Child Support	Pensions/Retirement/All Other Income
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salary, wages, cash bonuses • Net income from self-employment (farm or business) • If you are in the US Military: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic pay and cash bonuses (does NOT include combat pay, FSSA, or privatized housing allowances) • Allowances for off-based housing, food, and clothing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unemployment benefits • Worker's compensation • Supplemental Security Income (SSI) • Cash assistance from state or local gov't • Alimony payments • Child support payments • Veteran's benefits • Strike benefits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Security (including railroad retirement and black lung benefits) • Private pensions or disability benefits • Regular income from trusts or estates • Annuities • Investment income • Earned interest • Rental income • Regular cash payments from outside household