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### **Incoming freshmen: There is still time to earn extra cash for college**

College classes will begin soon, but many incoming freshmen are still wondering how to pay the cost of those classes. Fortunately for them, the Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship, created in 2011, provides students who graduate high school in three years \$4,000 towards tuition and fees at participating public or private Indiana colleges or universities.

“The Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship offers hard-working, high-achieving students a financial boost and a jumpstart toward a college degree,” said Indiana Commissioner for Higher Education Teresa Lubbers.

Last year, only 17 students statewide received the award, while this year the number of applications have increased to 168. While funds are limited per student, the number of students who may receive this scholarship is unlimited, provided they meet the qualifications.

#### **Who is eligible?**

To qualify for the 2012-2013 award, students must:

- Be an Indiana resident
- Meet all requirements to graduate high school by the end of 11th grade by July 1, 2012
- Enroll in an approved postsecondary degree or credential program within five months of graduating high school

#### **How to apply**

To apply, individuals should download the enrollment form at [www.in.gov/ssaci/2504.htm](http://www.in.gov/ssaci/2504.htm), complete the form, and then take it to their former high school guidance counselor or administrator to complete the “high school information” section. The form must be signed by the high school principal or the school corporation’s superintendent and notarized. Students should send the completed form to:

**Indiana Commission for Higher Education, Division of Student  
Financial Aid**

**ATTN: Mitch Daniels Early Graduation Scholarship**

**402 W. Washington Street W462**

**Indianapolis, IN 46204**

The **deadline** for applications is **September 4, 2012**. The form must be **mailed** and cannot be faxed. The scholarship is a one-time benefit and may not be renewed. It

cannot be used for remedial college course work.

**Questions?**

Contact the Indiana Commission for Higher Education's Division of Student Financial Aid at (317) 232-2350 with questions.

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