

EOP Policy and Income Guidelines

To be eligible for admission to EOP you must be:

- A New York State resident for 12 months prior to enrollment;
- Require special admissions consideration; and
- Qualify as economically disadvantaged according to the guidelines. In selecting students for the program, priority is given to applicants from historically disadvantaged backgrounds.

Income Guidelines

The table below lists financial eligibility requirements for EOP admission for students entering the 2022-2023 academic year. Any subsequent changes to these guidelines will be posted here. In order to be determined economically disadvantaged, a student's household income must not exceed the amount shown for its size or the student's circumstances must conform to one of the exceptions indicated.

Household Size (including head of household)	Total Annual Income in 2020 Calendar Year*
1	\$23,828
2	\$32,227
3	\$40,626
4	\$49,025
5	\$57,424
6	\$65,823
7	\$74,222
8	\$82,621*

*For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$8,399 for each additional person.

INCOME GUIDELINES DO NOT APPLY IF:

- The student's family is the recipient of Family Assistance or Safety Net payments through the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance; or through a county Department of Social Services; or Family Day Care payments through the New York State Office of Children and Family Assistance;
- The student is in foster care as established by the court;
- The student is a ward of the state or county.

Documentation of Economic Eligibility

(The chart below outlines what income documentation is required to verify eligibility for the EOP grant).

Items	Documentation
Income from wages, tips, dividends, interest, rental, business profits	IRS form 1040, a signed copy of 1040TEL or official transcript of tax return; forms W-2, 1099, W9
No Income	IRS form 4506 verification of non-filing
Pension, annuity or unemployment benefits disability benefit	Letter from the appropriate institution stating applicable year's total award (if not already reported on a tax return.)
Social Security, Supplemental Security Income or Veteran's Administration non-educational benefits	Letter from the agency stating applicable year's total award for each member of the household
Public Assistance	Letter from the agency stating applicable year's total award and names of recipients
Child Support, Maintenance	Signed affidavit, court order
Additional members in household	Birth certificates, marriage certificates, third party verification, along with proof of income or lack thereof for each member, tax return, school records, custody orders
Zero household contribution	Needs analysis output from the U.S. Education Department's approved needs analysis system
Unusual circumstances	Notarized letters, statements, etc., that corroborate claims