GEAR UP Wyoming Federal Scholarship Application

Student Process:

1. Verify that you meet all Federal, GEAR UP Participation, and College Requirements as stated below.
2. Submit an on-line GEAR UP Federal Scholarship Application before the June 1 (fall) or November 1 (spring) deadline. No late applications will be accepted.
3. Request that your GEAR UP Outreach Coordinator fill out an on-line Coordinator Verification Form.

Federal Requirements:
- Less than 22 years of age at the time of the first scholarship
- Earned a high school diploma or its equivalent (GED)
- Enrolled and accepted at a 2 or 4 year in-state postsecondary GEAR UP partner institution (GEAR UP will consider an accredited, out-of-state college if no similar program exists at a GEAR UP Wyoming partner institution.)
- First consideration will be given to PELL eligible student recipients

GEAR UP Participation Requirements:
- Receive a 21st Century Certificate
- Attend tutoring/mentoring session at least 4 times per year
- Attend at least 1 summer academy (Recommended before his/her senior year)
- Go on at least 1 college visit at an institution other than host institution (Recommended before his/her senior year)
- Complete criteria of the GEAR UP Senior Checklist
- Engage in extensive career exploration
- Engage in extensive learning regarding financial aid for post secondary education.
- Be encouraged to take a rigorous college-prep curriculum.
- Attend GEAR UP activities on a consistent basis
- Apply for at least 1 scholarship in addition to Hathaway or GEAR UP
- Participate in GEAR UP Wyoming for 2 academic years (minimum 20 months as of June 1 of his/her senior year)
- Verified that student is a U.S citizen
- Complete the FAFSA process by April 1st

College Continuation Requirements:
- Complete the FAFSA process by April 1st of each year
- Must maintain “good academic standing” as defined by the host institution
- Must maintain “satisfactory academic progress” as defined by the host institution
- Must complete an associate’s degree within 3 years (maximum 6 full/part time semesters) or complete a bachelor’s degree within 6 years (maximum 12 full/part time semesters).
- Provide in-kind service to GEAR UP

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