

# Funding Opportunities

Schuylkill Technology Center participates in various federal, state and local financial assistance programs. Listed below are the resources available to students attending the CDL, Heavy Equipment Operator or Combo programs.

Student Financial Aid will not cover 100% of the training program expenses. All balances due that are not covered by financial aid funds are the responsibility of the student. Students are urged to work with the school to learn of additional funding opportunities that may be available or to setup satisfactory payment arrangements.

## Federal PELL Grant Program

<https://fafsa.gov>

**CDL & HEO students** cannot receive a Federal Pell grant for programs even if your FAFSA application says you may be eligible to receive one. The CDL & HEO programs do not meet all program eligibility requirements set forth by Congress for this award.

**Combo students** – Upon completion of the FAFSA application, if students are determined to be eligible to receive a Pell grant, they could receive a 21-22 Pell Grant award of any amount between **\$517** and **\$4,997**. \*\*\* Students **CANNOT** receive a full Federal Pell grant even if the FAFSA application says they may be eligible to receive it.

## Federal Stafford Loan Program\*

<https://studentloans.gov>

### DEPENDENT STUDENTS (CDL & HEO):

If you are required to provide parent information on your FAFSA application, you are deemed a Dependent student and are eligible to borrow the amounts listed below.

Subsidized Stafford Loan \$ 1,346  
Unsubsidized Stafford Loan \$ 769

**Maximum Total Loan Eligibility = \$ 2,115**

### DEPENDENT STUDENTS (COMBO):

If you are required to provide parent information on your FAFSA application, you are deemed a Dependent student and are eligible to borrow the amounts listed below.

Subsidized Stafford Loan \$ 2,692  
Unsubsidized Stafford Loan \$ 1,538

**Maximum Total Loan Eligibility = \$ 4,230**

### Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan\*\*

If additional funds are needed by the dependent student, a parent can apply for the Federal Parent PLUS loan for their student.

Maximum loan amount is determined by the parent borrower, but cannot exceed the student's total cost of attendance.

Parents applying for a Parent PLUS loan must be credit worthy and pass a credit check. The Parent Plus Loan is only available to a Parent of a Dependent student.

### INDEPENDENT STUDENTS (CDL & HEO):

If you are NOT required to provide parent information on your FAFSA application, you are deemed an Independent student and are eligible to borrow the amounts listed below.

Subsidized Stafford Loan \$ 1,346  
Unsubsidized Stafford Loan \$ 2,308

**Maximum Total Loan Eligibility = \$ 3,654**

### INDEPENDENT STUDENTS (COMBO):

If you are NOT required to provide parent information on your FAFSA application, you are deemed an Independent student and are eligible to borrow the amounts listed below.

Subsidized Stafford Loan \$ 2,692  
Unsubsidized Stafford Loan \$ 4,615

**Maximum Total Loan Eligibility = \$ 7,307**

\* Student loans are not credit based loans. They are guaranteed loans to students who meet all federal aid eligibility requirements.

<b>Veteran's Education Assistance</b> <a href="http://www.gibill.va.gov">www.gibill.va.gov</a>	VA benefits are determined by the VA and are unique to each Veteran. Veterans must contact the VA to apply for their benefits and have their eligibility determined.
<b>CareerLink</b> <a href="http://www.cwds.state.pa.us">www.cwds.state.pa.us</a>	WIOA/ITA This program provides opportunities to individuals who are unemployed and may need retraining so they can return to work. Contact your local CareerLink office to learn about what opportunities may be available to you.  TRA/TAA This program provides opportunities to individuals who are unemployed because their job was moved out of the country and retraining may be needed so they can return to work. Contact your local CareerLink office to learn about what opportunities may be available to you.
<b>Office of Vocational Rehabilitation</b> <a href="http://www.dli.state.pa.us/OVR">www.dli.state.pa.us/OVR</a>	The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation works with individuals with disabilities who are in need of retraining so they can return to work. Contact your local OVR office to learn about what opportunities may be available to you.
<b>PA TIP Grant Program</b> <a href="http://www.pheaa.org">www.pheaa.org</a>	Beginning in the 12-13 award year, PHEAA was funded and launched a new grant program for targeted industries. If funded for 19-20, PHEAA will again make this program available. You can learn more about this program on-line at <a href="http://www.pheaa.org">www.pheaa.org</a> or through the school.