

As a SOAR Scholar, I can expect:



Advising on academic preparation
for education after high school



Financial literacy training



Assistance completing college
applications



Assistance obtaining financial
aid, including help completing
the FAFSA or VASA



Scholarship support of up to
\$2,000 to apply toward post-
secondary education



Support from an early
commitment advisor and the
SOAR Scholars community



Recognition as a SOAR Scholar

As a SOAR Scholar, I pledge to:

- Maintain a minimum cumulative GPA*
of 2.5
- Meet with my early commitment advisor
regularly
- Complete financial literacy training
during high school
- Behave in a manner consistent with
my school's Code of Student Conduct
- Attend school regularly without
unexcused absences
- Participate in community service
activities
- Complete a Free Application for Federal
Student Aid (FAFSA) or a Virginia
Alternative State Aid application (VASA)
during my senior year
- Apply to an eligible educational
institution, including a 2- or 4-year
college or university, technical school
or registered apprenticeship program

* or comparable academic achievement as determined by SOAR Virginia

SOAR Scholars®



How SOAR Scholars works



Students join SOAR Scholars in the 10th grade and work with an early commitment advisor during 10th, 11th and 12th grades*.



Students in grades 10 and 11, who meet the pledge requirements, will receive \$500 in an Invest529SM account. Students in grade 12, who meet the pledge requirements, will receive \$1,000 in an Invest529 account.



SOAR scholarship funds can be applied toward qualified post-secondary education expenses and/or expenses required for participation in a registered apprenticeship program.

* Highland High School and Bath County High School students may begin in the 9th grade. Award amounts for 9th and 10th grades are \$250 for students beginning in 9th grade.

Interested?

To enroll in SOAR Scholars, students must meet eligibility requirements including:

- 1 Have a valid Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number
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- 2 Be a Virginia resident and a student in grades 10–12, enrolled in a participating SOAR Scholars high school
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- 3 Agree to comply with the SOAR Scholars pledge, including the minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher at the time of enrollment
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- 4 Meet the family income threshold as determined by SOAR Virginia



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