

SUMMER SCHOOL

Q-1. I have the TOPS Opportunity, Performance or Honors Award. Will TOPS pay for me to attend summer school?

- A. Payment of a TOPS Award is contingent upon appropriations by the Louisiana Legislature. If funding is available, LOSFA will update its website and its social media pages, and the financial aid office at your school will be notified.

TOPS will **ONLY** pay for summer school if you are enrolled in a **Qualified Summer Session** and there are sufficient funds available for that purpose. A Qualified Summer Session is one which your institution certifies that:

- The summer session is required in your degree program for graduation, and you enrolled for at least the minimum number of hours required for the degree program, or
- You will graduate in the summer session, or
- The courses taken during the summer session are required by your degree program and are only offered during the summer session, or
- You are enrolled in a technical program, or
- You have earned at least 60 hours. The 60 hours earned may be comprised of credits earned prior to your enrollment as a first time, full time student in college, including CLEP, AP, and dual enrollment. Also included are the total hours you have earned in college.

TOPS will not pay for the summer session immediately following high school graduation. For TOPS to pay for a summer session, you must have been enrolled as a full-time student in a semester, quarter, or term prior to the summer session.

TOPS payment for a Qualified Summer Session will expend one full semester of TOPS eligibility. Performance and Honors award recipients will receive their stipends during a Qualified Summer Session.

See the Section entitled TOPS Tech Award if you are enrolled in a non-academic program of study.

Q-2. I have the TOPS Tech Award. Will TOPS pay for me to attend summer school?

- A. Yes, provided that funding is available for this purpose. Payment of a TOPS Award is contingent upon appropriations by the Louisiana Legislature. If funding is available, LOSFA will update its website and its social media pages, and the financial aid office at your school will be notified.

If funds are available, TOPS will pay for enrollment in a summer session in technical programs EXCEPT for the summer session immediately after high school graduation. For example, if you graduate in May 2022, you may enroll in a technical program for the 2022 summer session, but your TOPS Tech Award will not be paid; however, if you enroll as a full-time student in a technical program for the fall semester of 2022 and/or spring semester of 2023, your award will be paid for enrolling in a technical program for the 2023 summer session.