



THE DIRECT 529 PLAN FOR OKLAHOMA FAMILIES



A SMART WAY TO SAVE.

Every parent knows they need to start saving for their child's education. Setting aside money now can go a long way. However, with the rising costs for college, where you save and invest matters more than ever. Oklahoma 529 offers peace of mind and can make saving for higher education easy.



Todd Russ
OKLAHOMA
State Treasurer

"Oklahoma 529, it's a smart choice."

Take advantage of what Oklahoma 529 offers.

OK TAX DEDUCTION

Deduct up to \$20,000 or \$10,000 (if filing individually) in Oklahoma 529 contributions each year. Carry forward larger gifts up to five years. Limitations apply.¹

TAX-FREE

Contributions grow tax-deferred, which may result in larger gains over time. Withdrawals are tax-free when the money is used for qualified higher education expenses.

GIFTING

Saving for a large goal can feel overwhelming. The good news is you don't have to do it alone. Family and friends can help by gifting to a child's Oklahoma 529 account at birthdays, graduations, holidays, or just because. Oklahoma taxpayers may be eligible for the state income tax deduction.

FLEXIBLE

Funds can be used at eligible schools throughout Oklahoma and nationwide. So whether the beneficiary wants to study rocket science in Oklahoma, welding in Texas or cooking in California, he or she is covered.

VALUABLE

529s can be used to cover a range of expenses, including tuition, living expenses, books, required equipment, fees and computers.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

GENEROUS OKLAHOMA INCOME TAX DEDUCTION

Oklahoma residents who contribute to an account may be eligible for a state income tax deduction of up to \$20,000 for joint filers (\$10,000 for single filers) annually per beneficiary. Limitations apply¹.

FLEXIBILITY WITH YOUR SAVINGS

Your Oklahoma 529 funds can be used at colleges, universities, CareerTech, community colleges, graduate and professional schools across the country (and many abroad). Pay for tuition, living expenses, books, fees, supplies, and computers as well as costs associated with apprenticeships. You can even use your savings to pay for K-12 tuition up to \$10,000 annually per student or repay their student loans (\$10,000 lifetime max).¹

HOW DO I ENROLL?

It's easy. Most families enroll online at oklahoma529.com. You'll need the date of birth and Social Security Number or federal taxpayer identification number of the beneficiary and account owner. If you're enrolling in our recurring contribution program, checking/savings account and bank routing numbers are required. Then, select an investment portfolio. Oklahoma 529 enrollment kits are available upon request.

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS TO MATCH YOUR STRATEGY

Oklahoma 529 offers a variety of professionally managed investment portfolios to fit your life situation, risk tolerance and savings goals. Everyone's end goal is the same—to help pay for education expenses. But investment strategies can differ based on unique circumstances, financial constraints, timelines and overall savings goals.

If you are looking for an investment option customized for your student's expected enrollment year in school, you might want to choose an Enrollment Year Investment Option. If you're an experienced investor, you might choose a Risk-Based Investment Option you'll review and change periodically. If your child is nearing college and you've been saving for a while, the Guaranteed Option might be a solid choice. Learn more about your investment options by reading the Plan Description or visit oklahoma529.com. NOTE: You may change your investment choices up to twice per calendar year or upon a change in beneficiary.

MANAGE YOUR OKLAHOMA 529 ACCOUNT ON THE READYSAVE 529 APP



OKLAHOMA 529 FAQs

Q: Can more than one person contribute?

Anyone can contribute to an account as long as the maximum account balance does not exceed \$450,000 per beneficiary.

Q: Can I change the beneficiary?

You can change at any time or transfer a portion of your investment to a different beneficiary. To maintain the tax benefits, the new beneficiary must be an eligible family member such as a sibling, a stepchild, a first cousin or a spouse.

Q: What if my child or loved one decides not to attend college?

1. Keep the account in case the beneficiary changes his or her mind.
2. Change the beneficiary to an eligible family member.
3. Effective January 1, 2024, unused 529 funds may be directly transferred to a Roth IRA in the name of the beneficiary of the 529 Plan. There are a number of conditions that must be met including the 529 Plan must have been in existence for at least 15 years.²
4. Make a nonqualified withdrawal. You can withdraw your principal without a penalty, but any earnings will be subject to applicable state and federal taxes, plus a 10% federal penalty.

Q: What if my child or loved one gets a full or partial scholarship?

You can withdraw funds up to the scholarship amount without any penalty. However, you'll have federal and sometimes state income taxes on the earnings portion of the withdrawal.

Q: If I open an account in my state, then move to another state, what will happen to the account?

If you move to another state, you can still keep your account, and you can continue contributing to it. Consider whether the state in which you or your designated beneficiary reside has a 529 plan that offers state income tax or other benefits to residents.

To learn more about the Oklahoma 529, its investment objectives, tax benefits, risks and costs, please see the Plan Description at oklahoma529.com. Read it carefully. Check with your home state to learn if it offers tax or other benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds or protection from creditors for investing in its own 529 plan. Investments in the Plan are neither insured nor guaranteed and there is the risk of investment loss. If the funds aren't used for qualified higher education expenses, a 10% penalty tax on earnings (as well as federal and state income taxes) may apply. Consult your legal or tax professional for tax advice. TIAA-CREF Tuition Financing, Inc. (TFI), Plan Manager. TIAA-CREF Individual & Institutional Services, LLC, Member FINRA, distributor and underwriter for the Oklahoma 529.

¹Withdrawals for tuition expenses at a public, private or religious elementary, middle, or high school, registered apprenticeship programs, and student loans can be withdrawn free from federal and Oklahoma income tax. If you are not an Oklahoma taxpayer, these withdrawals may include recapture of tax deduction, state income tax as well as penalties. You should talk to a qualified professional about how tax provisions affect your circumstances.

²The TIAA group of companies and Oklahoma 529 do not provide legal or tax advice. Please consult your tax or legal adviser to address your specific circumstances.

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