

Child Care Scholarship and Funding Assistance Programs

Lane Community College CFE Department Scholarships and Funding Assistance:

Child and Family Center / Co-Op Option

Full or part-time students of Lane Community College taking a minimum of 6 credit hours on the main campus may qualify for the Co-Op option. Parents participate in a wide array of duties (co-oping) and this affords them an opportunity to reduce their child care fees. Spaces are limited and fill quickly from a waiting list. Contact Georgia Soto at 463-5794 for more information.

Child and Family Child Care Subsidy

Full or part-time students of Lane Community College taking a minimum of 6-12 credit hours (on a sliding scale) on the main campus and are not receiving other scholarship or financial assistance for child care may qualify for a Child Care Subsidy. Contact Michel Ronning at 463-3522 for more information.

Head Start of Lane County

The Child and Family Center has a limited number of on-site Head Start community slots. For more information contact the Head Start office at 747-2425 or visit them on the website at <http://www.head-start.lane.or.us/>

Other Oregon Child Care Assistance Programs:

DHS Child Care Subsidy

The Department of Human Services (DHS) (formally known as Adult and Family Services (AFS)) helps some low-income parents pay for child care. These are parents or caretakers who need child care because they are employed or preparing for employment. Parents apply for child care assistance, or subsidy, at a local DHS office in their area. The amount of subsidy is based on a number of factors, including the family's income, type of child care and how many hours of care are needed.

If the parent is eligible, the subsidy is paid directly to the child care provider by the Direct Pay Unit (DPU) in Salem. You can determine if you are eligible by going to the DHS child care calculation website at <http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/children/childcare/main.shtml>

Oregon Student Block Grant Child Care Subsidy

Student families may be eligible for financial help to pay for child care costs. The Student Child Care Program gives the State of Oregon a limited amount of funds to help students pay for child care. Parents must meet specific criteria for eligibility for this program. For additional information visit the website at http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/children/childcare/sccp_04.shtml