



# Guidelines (2020-21)

The 870 Plan is administered through the AState Financial Aid & Scholarships Office. Any questions concerning the program should be directed to the Financial Aid & Scholarships Office at (870) 972-2310.

This plan creates a financial aid package which will cover standard tuition and fee costs for first-year on campus students at AState. The financial aid package includes federal aid, state scholarships, institutional, and work study opportunities.

Arkansas State University reserves the right to make changes to the program at any time based on available funding and eligible applicants.

### What the Program Covers:

\* The 870 Plan provides standard tuition and fees for 12 ASUJ hours.

\*The program pays for courses taken at the AState campus in Jonesboro only. Awards are contingent upon the availability of funds.

\* This program is awarded for the duration of eight consecutive semesters or through completion of the undergraduate degree, whichever occurs first provided the student maintains all program requirements.

#### How to Qualify:

\* The program is awarded to Arkansas residents who are 2020 high school graduates.

\* Students must live on the AState campus to receive this award.

\* Students must be admitted to the University. This includes submitting an admissions application with fee, official ACT or SAT scores and official high school transcript.

\* Students must have completed the 20-21 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and have a verified Zero EFC, with Pell eligibility, on record with the university at the time of the award.

\* Students must be making Satisfactory Academic Progress according to policy which can be found at www.astate.edu/finaid.

#### Student Responsibilities for Accepting and Maintaining the AState 870 Plan:

\* Enrollment of a minimum 12 credit hours toward a Bachelor's Degree at the AState campus in Jonesboro is required during each consecutive Fall and Spring semester. Concurrent enrollment on another campus **cannot** be used to meet full-time enrollment status nor be paid for by the program. Enrollment is locked on the 11<sup>th</sup> class day. Students in an academic program that is lock-stepped and prohibits 12 hours in any given semester will be allowed to receive their program upon approval of the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office.

- \* Students must be seeking a Bachelor's Degree.
- \* All online degree programs are ineligible for the 870 Plan.
- \* Matriculation at the AState campus in Jonesboro must occur in the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation.

\* Any student who is enrolled full-time at another college, university, technical college, or branch of ASU during a regular semester (Fall or Spring) following high school graduation automatically forfeits the program.

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\* Students who are taking a developmental course as part of their 12 credit hours at the AState campus in Jonesboro and who also plan to test out of the course must contact the Programs Office before taking the test to discuss possible options for keeping the program.

\* For military exceptions, contact the Programs Office at (870) 972-2310.

\*Award holders who are dependents of faculty and staff will have their discount calculated into their plan.

## **Program Renewal**

\*Students must continue to live on the AState campus and continue to have a verified zero EFC with Pell Eligibility.

\* Students must be making Satisfactory Academic Progress according to policy which can be found at www.astate.edu/finaid.