



JOHN BURTON

Advocates for Youth

Burton Book Fund FAQ

QUESTION	ANSWER
How does the Burton Book Fund work?	For the 2020-2021 Academic School year, John Burton Advocates for Youth will operate as a Grant Program. Beginning in July of 2020, JBAY will begin disbursing funds to a legal entity at the participating schools directly, and the schools will be in charge of disbursing the funds directly to the students. The schools will choose which legal entity the checks will be disbursed to.
What type of legal entity is allowed? What are the requirements?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="857 1098 1393 1203">1. The legal entity must have a Tax ID, and must provide it to JBAY during the application process.<li data-bbox="857 1213 1393 1444">2. They must be an organization including the bookstore, a non profit, or department within the school, no individuals will be allowed to receive and administer the Burton Book Fund Grant.
How do I access the Burton Book Fund?	The Burton Book Fund is administered through the campus representatives and they will be all interested students contact person. Upon a completed Grantee Application submission, John Burton Advocates for Youth will provide the campus support representatives with a student application to award book funds to their students who have experienced foster care.

<p>How much will be awarded to each student?</p>	<p>Each student who receives a Burton Book Fund award will receive \$200 for the entire 2020-2021 academic year. It will not be by semester or quarter.</p>
<p>What is the process for a campus to participate?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All interested campuses must attend JBAY's webinar on May 5th from 10AM-11AM. JBAY will go over the new Grant Process, and will equip all interested schools with the necessary knowledge and tools to determine if this is a program that their institution is interested in being involved with. 2. Grantee Applications to participate in the Burton Book Fund are due by 5 PM on Monday, May 25 2020. Failure to meet the May 25th deadline will result in ineligibility for the campus to participate in the program for the 2020-21 academic year. 3. On June 1st, contracts will be sent via email to all campuses that have been approved for the grant program. 4. Signed Contracts, along with a W9, are due back to JBAY by 5 PM on Friday, July 1st. 5. July 27, 2020 JBAY will begin disbursing checks to campuses. 6. May 15, 2021: End of year report due to JBAY detailing how funds were used, including a check made out to John Burton Advocates for Youth with any unused funds.
<p>How much money will my campus receive?</p>	<p>The monetary amount each campus will receive will be dependent on the total number of applications received, and how much your campus invoiced JBAY for during the 2019-2020 academic year. John Burton Advocates for Youth will review all applications received by the May 25</p>

	application deadline and provide each Grantee with a set financial grant award.
Who is eligible for the Burton Book Fund?	To be eligible for the Burton Book Fund, a student must meet the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Was in foster care on or after his or her 13th birthday; • Enrolled in 6 or more units for the semester or quarter; • NOT eligible for or participating in a CAFYES (Next Up) program through EOPS; • Submitted a FAFSA or California Dream Act Application.
What is the CAFYES/Next Up program and what campuses receive this funding?	The CAFYES/Next Up program is a program for youth who were in foster care on or after their 16th birthday. A total of 45 campuses receive funding from the California Community College Chancellor's office to administer this program. This program provides funding for books, which is why students who are enrolled in it are not eligible for the Burton Book Fund.
Is the process different for campuses that operate on a quarter rather than a semester system?	No. All interested campuses must attend JBAY's webinar on May 5th from 10AM-11:30AM and must submit an application to participate by 5 PM on Monday, May 25. Campuses who receive the grant are responsible for awarding individual students the fund, tracking the monetary disbursements, and sending a grant report and evaluation survey to JBAY by May 15, 2021.
Is this for youth attending school in California only?.	Yes.
Are graduate students eligible?	Yes.
Can a student that received a Burton Book Fund receive an award if they were a recipient in previous years?	Yes.

What can the Burton Book Fund be used on?	Any item that is listed on the student's course syllabi as a required course material may be purchased with the Burton Book Fund. This may include textbooks, clickers, digital access codes, etc. The Burton Book Fund may also be used to purchase class supplies such as scantrons, pens, pencils, graph paper, etc but only \$50 may be used towards this kind of purchase.
Can the Burton Book fund be used to rent books at their campus bookstore?	Yes.
Can the Burton Book fund be used on ebooks or digital access codes?	Yes.
Can the Burton Book fund be used for class materials such as paint supplies or other required class tools/materials?	Yes, as long as it is purchased through the campus bookstore and is listed as a required course material on the syllabi.
Can the Burton Book fund be used on tablets or laptops?	No.
Are the students allowed to sell their books at the end of the semester?	Yes.
The campus representative application states that the campus representative must ensure that the student has submitted a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the California Dream Act Application for the 2020-21 academic year. What does this mean?	Campus representatives can verify that the student has submitted a FAFSA or CA Dream Act application in one of many ways, including checking Web Grants, asking the student to provide verification, or consulting with the financial aid office.
Does the student's income or Estimated Family Contribution that is determined by the FAFSA or Dream Act impact a student's eligibility for the program?	The requirement to apply for financial aid is to ensure that all available funding is being accessed. Income level and/or Expected Family Contribution are not part of the eligibility criteria.
Does the campus representative or student need to provide a copy of the FAFSA/Dream Act Application to JBAY?	No, copies of the verification do not need to be provided to JBAY.

<p>Are there any exceptions to the requirement that students submit a FAFSA or California Dream Act?</p>	<p>If there are situations where a student is unable to submit a FAFSA or CA Dream Act application, it will be up to the campus representatives' discretion whether to award the student.</p>
<p>What if a student is CAFYES eligible but does not want to participate in the CAFYES program? Can they get assistance from the Burton Book Fund?</p>	<p>No. Due to limited funding, the Burton Book Fund is not available to students participating in CAFYES, also known as Next Up. If a student attends school on a CAFYES campus, meets the eligibility criteria and does not want to participate, the student is not eligible for the Burton Book Fund.</p>
<p>How many total students will be served by the Burton Book fund in the 2020-2021 academic year?</p>	<p>Up to 1,000 students</p>
<p>When will campuses hear back from John Burton Advocates for Youth about the number of awards their campus will receive?</p>	<p>On June 1st, 2020, JBAY will be sending out contracts via email to all campuses that have been approved for the program with specifics.</p>
<p>How does JBAY how much funding each campus will receive?</p>	<p>For campuses that have participated in the Burton Book Fund in past years, JBAY will look at the amount that each school invoiced JBAY for during the 2019-2020 academic year.</p> <p>For campuses that are new to the Burton Book Fund, their award amount will be based on the answers to the application questions.</p>
<p>Can students use the Book Fund to attend graduate school?</p>	<p>Yes.</p>
<p>If my campus has already participated in the Burton Book Fund in the past, does my campus have to attend the webinar and submit an application?</p>	<p>Yes. Since JBAY is restructuring the Book Fund with new guidelines and responsibilities for campuses, campuses must attend the webinar and submit an application for the 2020-2021 academic year.</p>
<p>If I am a student and I received the Book Fund in the 2019-2020 academic year, do I</p>	<p>Yes. Since JBAY is no longer tracking individual student applications, and the whole</p>

need to apply again for the 2020-2021 academic year?	process has changed, all students must apply directly with their campus representative.
Is the book fund grant for each semester or for the full year?	The grant is for the full year. Each participating school will receive ONE check for the entire school year.
Are students who were in a legal guardianship eligible for the Burton Book Fund?	A youth for whom a guardianship was established at age 13 or after is eligible to participate in the Burton Book Fund.
If a youth was adopted or exited to guardianship before the age of 13. Are they eligible for the program?	No.
What is the deadline for using the funds?	This is up to the individual grantee to decide, but since grant reports and evaluation surveys are due to JBAY by each grantees by May 15, 2021, we recommend grantees set the deadline for students to use their funds well in advance of this date.
Can the funds be carried over to the following academic year?	No. Since grantees are required to fill out a grant report by May 15, 2021, and the contract signed with JBAY at the commencement of the program states that any unused funds be returned to JBAY by June 1, 2021, no funds can be carried over.
Can the book fund be used for online purchases or in the store only?	This is up to the discretion of each individual grantee, but JBAY recommends that the funds be used In the bookstores only.
Is there an evaluation component to the Burton Book Fund?	Yes, all participating grantees are required to submit a grant report detailing total students serviced by the BBF, and the total amount of funds used. All unused funds must be returned to JBAY.
I do not work on a campus but I work in an agency or organization that supports foster youth. How do I guide my student to apply for this fund at the University since it is administered through the campus?	Have the student contact the campus support program to discuss participating in the Burton Book Fund. On July 3, a complete list of participating campuses and their contacts will be published on the JBAY website . Please

	direct your student to contact the campus program directly to participate in the Burton Book Fund.
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