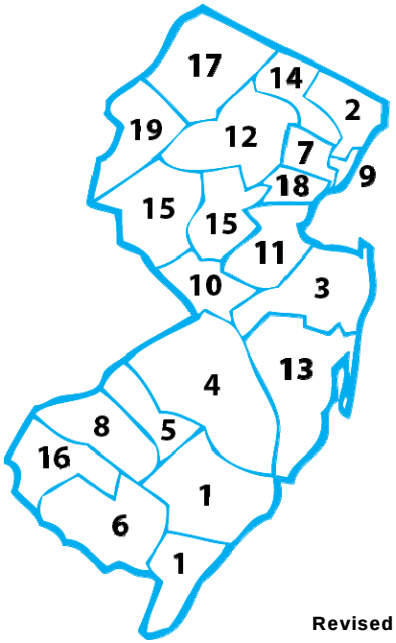
New Jersey's 19 County Colleges

1.Atlantic Cape Community College	(609) 343-5082
2.Bergen Community College	(201) 447-7195
3.Brookdale Community College	(732) 224-2361
4.Burlington County College	(609) 894-9311 ext. 7575
5.Camden County College	(856) 227 7200 ext. 4226
6.Cumberland County College	(856) 691-8600 ext. 302
7.Essex County College	(973) 877-3200
8.Gloucester County College	(856) 415-2210
9.Hudson County Community College	(201) 360-4200
10.Mercer County Community College	(609) 586-4800 ext. 3210
11.Middlesex County College	(732) 906-2520
12.County College of Morris	(973) 328-5230
13.Ocean County College	(732) 255-0310
14.Passaic County Community College	(973) 684-6100
15.Raritan Valley Community College	(908) 526-1200 ext. 8273
16.Salem Community College	(856) 351-2699
17.Sussex County Community College	(973) 300-2225
18.Union County College	(908) 709-7137
19.Warren County Community College	(908) 835-2456



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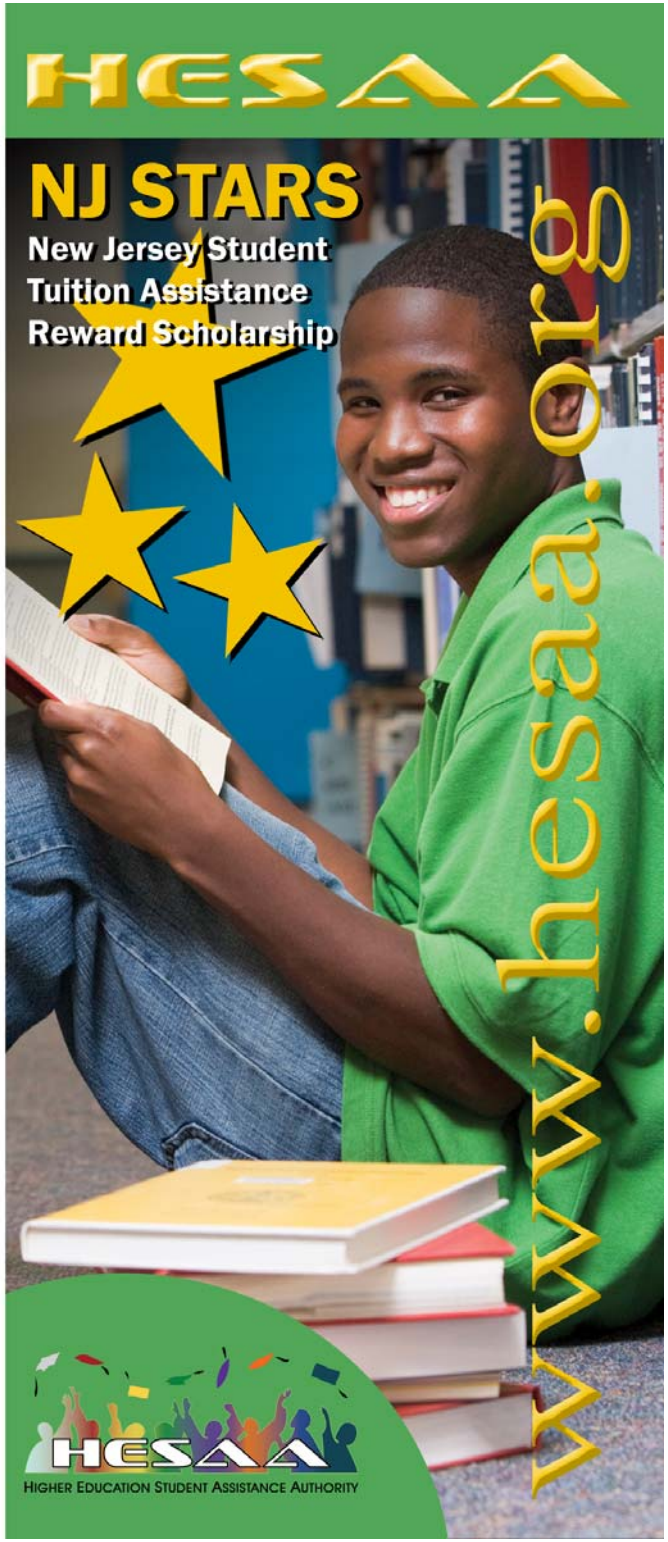

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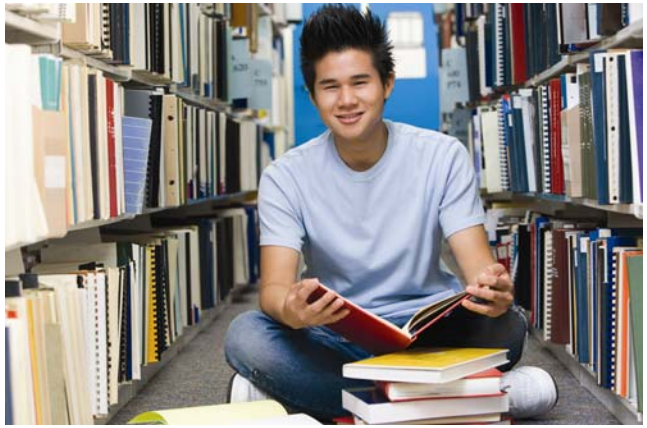
NJ STARS

is a program created in 2004 by the State of New Jersey to provide access to higher education for the State's highest achieving students.



Eligibility

- Students who graduate in the top 15.0% of their high school class may be eligible to receive an NJ STARS award for attendance at the New Jersey county college where they reside.
- Students may attend another New Jersey county college only if their desired program of study is not offered at the county college where they reside or is oversubscribed for at least one year.
- Students identified as potential NJ STARS must achieve the required score on a college placement test to demonstrate readiness for college-level coursework prior to receiving a scholarship. If remediation is required, the student has one year from September 1 following high school graduation to demonstrate college readiness.
- Students must have complete a rigorous high school course of study.
- Students must take at least 12 college-level credits each semester and maintain continuous full-time enrollment in an associate degree program at their home county college.
- Students must be citizens or eligible non-citizens and legal NJ residents for at least 12 consecutive months immediately prior to high school graduation.
- Students must file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and submit all required information within established State deadlines.
- Students must attain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher by the start of the second year of county college enrollment to meet the academic requirement for NJ STARS renewal.
- NJ STARS students must graduate with a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher to qualify academically for the NJ STARS II program.

Benefits

- The NJ STARS award covers the cost of tuition, less any State and/or Federal grants and scholarships, for up to 18 credit hours per semester.
- Students may be eligible to receive an NJ STARS award for up to 5 semesters of continuous full-time enrollment in a degree program.

How Do I Apply?

- Apply for admission to your home county college.
- File a FAFSA annually by the State deadline listed on the application.
- Meet all eligibility requirements.

Notification of your NJ STARS eligibility will be provided by your home county college.