

When combined with a Stable Account, many students could save up to \$9,230 in 2024, for qualified disability expenses, and still receive their full monthly SSI cash benefit.

The Student Earned Income Exclusion allows SSI recipients under age 22, who regularly attend school, to exclude as much as \$2,290 of gross earned income per month, up to an annual exclusion of \$9,230.



STUDENTS WHOSE HIGH SCHOOL YEARS INCLUDE PAID COMMUNITY WORK EXPERIENCE ARE MORE THAN TWICE AS LIKELY TO HAVE PAID EMPLOYMENT IN THEIR FIRST TWO YEARS OF ADULTHOOD.

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WHAT DOES "REGULARLY ATTEND" MEAN?

Social Security's definition of "regularly attending school" means one or more courses of study in a college or university for at least 8 hours a week; in grades 7 - 12 for at least 12 hours a week; or in a training course to prepare for employment for at least 12 hours a week (15 hours if the course involves shop practice). Adjustments are made for those home bound and home schooled.



For the months the Student Earned Income Exclusion is used, a student could earn up to \$2,375 per month and still receive their full SSI cash benefit.

As long as the student attends school regularly before summer break and returns to regular attendance after summer break, the exclusion is effective through the summer months.

The exclusion is NOT optional - if the student is eligible, the exclusion must be applied.

