

# STUDENTS AND MEANS TESTED PROGRAMS 101



**HEALTH PROGRAMS**

**MEDICAID** Medicaid provides health insurance for those with low-incomes, but the income criteria varies from state-to-state, and some state's might have work requirements that may or may not include being in school.

Check your eligibility [HERE](#).

**CHIP** If you're a parent, **Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)** might provide health insurance to your child at a more generous level than Medicaid, but eligibility criteria varies from state-to-state.

Check your eligibility [HERE](#).

**WIC** **Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, & Children (WIC)** provides state grants for food & health assistance to low-income pregnant and postpartum women.

Find your state marketplace [HERE](#).

**ACA** **Affordable Care Act (ACA)** provides financial assistance to reduce out-of-pocket costs for individuals with moderate & low incomes who are not eligible for Medicaid or coverage through an employee.

Check your eligibility [HERE](#).



**INCOME SECURITY PROGRAMS**

**UI** If you were employed and then became unemployed through no fault of your own, you could be eligible for **Unemployment Insurance (UI)**, which provide up to 26 weeks of benefits to unemployed workers, replacing about half of previous wages on average

Check your eligibility [HERE](#).

**TANF** **Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF)** benefits students who are parenting and can include things like like cash benefits, child care, education/training, transportation, but the benefits and eligibility criteria vary from state-to-state

Check your eligibility [HERE](#).



**FOOD PROGRAMS**

**SNAP** **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)** provides food assistance for low income families. SNAP has been temporarily expanded to cover more students than ever before

Check your eligibility [HERE](#).

**WIC** **Women, Infants, & Children (WIC)** provides grants to pregnant & postpartum women for food & health assistance

Check your eligibility [HERE](#).



**HOUSING PROGRAM**

**HVC** **Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)** provides assistance to help eligible persons (often very low-income) pay rent. Eligibility criteria and availability vary from state-to-state

Check your eligibility [HERE](#).