## Planning for the Cost of College

## Lesson <br> Question

## Lesson Goals



## Words to Know

Fill in this table as you work through the lesson. You may also use the glossary to help you.

| scenario | an imagined or projected sequence of $\square$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| four-year <br> college | a higher $\square$ <br> bachelor's degrees | institution with programs to earn |
| periodic | occurring at $\square$ time intervals, such as weekly or monthly |  |
|  | two-year |  |
| college higher education institution, such as avocational school, with specialized job-training programs or programs <br> vo earn associate's degrees |  |  |

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## Two-Year College

A two-year college is a higher education institution, such as a $\square$
college or vocational school, with specialized job training programs or programs to earn associate's degrees.

Benefits of a two-year college:

- Specific $\square$ training
- Certification for specialized jobs
- Launching point for a $\square$ degree


## Costs of a Two-Year College

The table shows the average costs for the 2012-2013 school year for a full-time student who commutes to a public two-year college.

| Costs | Average Amount |
| :---: | :---: |
| tuition/fees | $\$ 3,131$ |
| living costs | $\$ 7,419$ |
| books/supplies | $\$ 1,229$ |
| transportation | $\$ 1,648$ |
| other expenses | $\$ 2,157$ |

Total: $\$ \square$

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## Student Contribution for College

In 2012-2013, the average student at a two-year public college received $\$ 4,350$ in financial aid/grants.

- Average Total Cost: \$15,584
- Average Grant Aid: \$4,350
- Average Student Contribution:

or $\$ 5,617$ per semester


## Cost of College when Living at Home

Consider this scenario.

- Stephanie plans to attend a local two-year college while living at home. She will not need to pay room and board.
- Average Total Cost:
- Average Cost Room/Board:
- Average Grant Aid:
- Expected Student Contribution:
- 7,419



## Instruction

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## Funding for College

Cost for one academic year at a two-year college:

- Average Total Costs:
- Average
 Aid:
- Average Student Contribution: \$11,234

What other sources of funding exist to cover a student's personal contribution toward education?
.
 accounts (tax free)

- Loans
- Part-time

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## Instruction

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## Creating a Plan to Save for College

Create a plan to save money throughout high school for your first year at a two-year college.

- Set a $\square$
Example: \$10,000
- Determine the number of periodic deposits.

Monthly over a four-year period:
 deposits

- Determine the amount of each deposit.

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10,000 \div 48=\$ 208.33
$$



- Start saving. Assume the account has a $4 \%$ interest rate compounded monthly.

4\% interest rate on \$200 a month: \$ $\square$ over the course of 4 years

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## Four-Year College

A four-year college is a higher $\square$ institution with programs to earn bachelor's degrees.

Benefits of a four-year college:

- Broad range of $\square$ applicable to many fields
- Diverse topics to explore
$\square$ applicable to a wide spectrum of jobs


## Costs of a Four-Year College

The table shows the average costs for the 2012-2013 school year for a public college attended by a full-time student who lives on campus.

| Categories | In-State <br> Average <br> Costs | Out-of-State <br> Average <br> Costs |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| tuition/fees | $\$ 8,655$ | $\$ 21,706$ |
| living costs | $\$ 9,205$ | $\$ 9,205$ |
| books/supplies | $\$ 1,200$ | $\$ 1,200$ |
| transportation | $\$ 1,100$ | $\$ 1,100$ |
| other expenses | $\$ 2,091$ | $\$ 2,091$ |

Total Average In-State Costs:


Total Average Out-of-State Costs:
$\qquad$

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## Determining the Student Contribution

In 2012-2013, the average student at a public four-year in-state college received $\$ 5,750$ in grant aid and federal tax benefits.

- Average Student Contribution:

College Costs
$\square$ grant aid $\quad$ student contribution
College Costs
$\square$ grant aid $\quad$-student contribution

\$16,501 per year


## Creating a Plan to Save for College

Create a six-year plan to prepare for at least the first year of a four-year in-state college.

- Set a goal.

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\$ 30,000 .
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- Determine the number of periodic deposits.

- Determine the amount of each deposit.

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30,000 \div 72=\$ 416.67 \approx \$ \square \text { per month. }
$$

- Start saving. Assume the account has a $4 \%$ interest rate compounded monthly.


Lesson
Question
How can you plan to pay for the costs of college?

## Answer

Use this space to write any questions or thoughts about this lesson.

