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TN Promise Application Opens on April 1 for the Class of 2027

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - The Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) today announced that the TN Promise application is now open for the Class of 2027. For the first time, high school juniors can apply beginning **April 1**, giving students earlier access than ever before to the state's last-dollar scholarship.

The earlier application timeline allows students and families to begin planning for college sooner, including gaining earlier insight into admissions and financial aid opportunities early in their senior year.

What This Means for Students:

- **Apply Earlier:** High school juniors can submit the TN Promise application starting April 1, months ahead of previous years.
- **Plan Ahead:** Students and families can begin exploring college options and financial aid opportunities earlier in the process.
- **Stay on Track:** Completing the application early helps ensure students meet key deadlines during their senior year.

"Tennessee continues to lead the nation in expanding access to higher education," said Dr. Steven Gentile, THEC Executive Director. "By opening the TN Promise application earlier than ever, we are giving students more time to plan, prepare, and take the next step toward their future."

TN Promise covers tuition at community colleges, Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology (TCATs), and select private institutions. For more information, visit CollegeForTN.org. Students can apply for TN Promise and other state financial aid programs in the [TSAC Student Portal](#).

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About the Tennessee Higher Education Commission

The Tennessee Higher Education Commission was created in 1967 by the Tennessee General Assembly. As the state's higher education coordinating body, its mission is to build a strong higher education landscape that provides opportunities for all individuals to pursue high-quality education and high-value credentials.