



Dawson Promise

What is Dawson Promise?

Dawson Promise is a program aimed at helping unaccompanied youth who are homeless or aging out of foster care obtain a two-year education free of debt.

Through Dawson Promise, students are provided opportunities that before may have seemed out of reach.

Setting Montana Youth
up for Success

Learn more about Dawson Promise
and how you can earn a certificate
or two-year degree from Dawson
Community College without debt.

Questions?

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Privacy Act of 1974, all student information is held strictly
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What will participation in Dawson Promise look like?

- DCC's Financial Aid office help students complete their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- A mentor will help students through the admissions and enrollment processes and introduce them to their academic advisor.
- Students will work one-on-one with their advisor to determine a course of study for their chosen program and will meet periodically to discuss progress.
- Students will be provided with year-round, on-campus housing. Students can move into campus housing and begin classes as soon as they graduate from high school.
- Students will be provided a community host family through the Adopt-a-Buc program. Host families assist students in their transition to the community.
- The Human Resources team will help students obtain on-campus employment and will work with students on resume writing and interviewing techniques.
- On-campus employers will help students learn specific job and soft skills.
- Once students have completed their coursework at DCC, they will be provided with a portfolio that includes letters of recommendation, transcripts, and a credit history statement showing all their school bills have been paid in-full.

Dawson Community College offers all students...

- 13:1 student to faculty ratio
- >15 career and technical program
- Seamless transfer degrees
- Faculty advisors
- Individual tutoring
- Computer labs
- Library
- Vibrant student life with numerous student-led clubs and groups
- Free mental health counseling
- Food service
- Community support



How do students apply for Dawson Promise?

There is no application for Dawson Promise. Students are identified through relationships with their counselors, caretakers, or other advocates. Additionally, students may also be identified through the information provided on financial aid paperwork, specifically the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.