

TAP 529 Guaranteed Savings Plan Statistics

(As of 6/30/02)

86,706 — Number of open TAP 529 accounts

42,132 — Number of inquiries in 2001-02
60 percent of those who inquired about TAP 529 opened accounts

25,304 new accounts — 2001-02 was the fourth consecutive record-breaking year for new enrollments

\$372.6 million — Fund Market Value of TAP 529

1,600 students — Number of students in 2001-02 using TAP 529 to go to school

More than \$2 million — Amount families of those students saved by pre-paying tuition through TAP 529

240 — Number of different schools attended by TAP 529 students



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or learn more:

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TAP 529

**PENNSYLVANIA'S
TUITION ACCOUNT
PROGRAM**

*Saving for future higher
education needs*



Saving for your child's college education doesn't have to be difficult.

Pennsylvania's Tuition Account Program — **TAP 529** — offers two programs that can help families save for future higher education needs.

Families have the opportunity to pre-purchase college tuition at today's lower prices for future use with the **TAP 529 Guaranteed Savings Plan** or to invest for the future based on market performance with the **TAP 529 Investment Plan**. More than 86,000 families already have joined TAP 529. It's simple, affordable and flexible, and it's good at any college.

An investment of as little as \$25 can start you on your way toward saving for your child or grandchild's higher education! Payments to a TAP 529 account may be made by check, payroll deduction or transferred directly from a bank account.

Benefits of TAP 529

- Can be used at any post-secondary school anywhere in the country. That includes private colleges and trade or technical schools.
- Will pay for a student's qualified higher education expenses, including tuition, books, fees, room and board, and supplies.
- Earnings are tax free.
- Protects eligibility for financial aid.
- Allows low-income families to qualify for state matching funds.
- Offers special tax breaks.
- Shelters accounts from the state inheritance tax.
- Is fully controlled by the account holder (parent or grandparent) at all times. *The child cannot spend the money.*
- And, children are more likely to attend college if a parent establishes a TAP account.

TAP has two plans:

Depending on the plan chosen, your investment can guarantee the future cost of tuition or have the potential to exceed tuition increases.

TAP 529 Guaranteed Savings Plan

■ Known as the original TAP plan, the **TAP 529 Guaranteed Savings Plan** guarantees your account value will grow in step with rising college tuition costs. Unlike investments in mutual funds, the Guaranteed Savings Plan ensures you will never lose money. It also guarantees to pay tuition, no matter how much tuition costs go up, and no matter what happens in the financial markets.

TAP 529 Investment Plan

■ The **TAP 529 Investment Plan** allows you to invest in up to nine mutual fund options based on your child's age, your risk tolerance or the social responsibility of the companies you invest in. While your investment is not guaranteed, it has the potential to outpace rising college costs.

TAP 529 is tax free!

TAP is free of all federal, Pa. state and local taxes. Grandparents get special federal gift tax benefits, yet can take back even a "completed gift" if necessary.

Who runs TAP 529?

TAP 529 was created by the Pennsylvania Legislature exclusively for Pennsylvanians (account holder or beneficiary must be a Pa. resident). While the Pennsylvania Treasurer sponsors both plans and oversees TAP 529's Guaranteed Savings Plan, a contracted investment plan manager, currently Delaware Investments, manages investments made under the TAP 529 Investment Plan.