

AT A GLANCE

Saving for college with the Virginia College Savings Plan makes good sense. Earnings grow tax free. You can use your savings at colleges throughout the country. And now, the plan provides three Section 529 investment options.



VPEP

The Virginia Prepaid Education ProgramSM locks in future college costs for today's students in the ninth grade or younger. VPEP covers full tuition and mandatory fees at Virginia public colleges. Your VPEP investment comes with a guaranteed rate of return for other types of colleges nationwide.



VEST

The Virginia Education Savings TrustSM offers a selection of 11 investment funds. Students of all ages can participate wherever they live. You can use VEST to pay for all major college expenses. These include tuition, fees, room and board, textbooks, required computers and supplies.



CollegeAmerica

CollegeAmericaSM is the state's newest Section 529 program. Our partner is the American Funds, one of the oldest and largest mutual fund companies in the country. With CollegeAmerica, you can save for all major college expenses. Ask your financial advisor for information about CollegeAmerica.

A Smart Choice

The Virginia College Savings Plan makes a smart choice for college savings. VPEP, VEST, and CollegeAmerica offer convenience, affordability, and great tax advantages. Section 529 lets you make tax-free withdrawals for college expenses. You can deduct your entire investment over time on your Virginia tax return.

You can use these investments at colleges everywhere. You can get your money back at any time. In most cases, your refund will include interest.



Virginia College Savings PlanSM

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VPEP Enrollment
February 1 – May 1, 2003



VEST Enrollment
Open All Year



CollegeAmerica Enrollment
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This brochure contains general information about the Virginia College Savings Plan. Participants are urged to read this informational brochure and all the enrollment materials carefully. Visit our website for enrollment materials and to apply online. You may also request an Enrollment Kit by e-mail or calling toll-free 1-888-567-0540. The Virginia College Savings Plan encourages prospective investors to seek the advice of a professional concerning any financial, tax or legal implications related to the purchase of a contract or funding of a savings trust account.

The Virginia College Savings Plan does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability.

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Virginia Prepaid Education ProgramSM



Virginia Education Savings TrustSM



CollegeAmericaSM Available only through financial advisors

▶ Internal Revenue Code § 529 prepaid tuition plan

- ▶ Expenses covered
 - Tuition
 - All mandatory fees

- ▶ Guarantee
 - Program backed by statutory guarantee
 - Lock in prices at Virginia public colleges

- ▶ **Tax advantages**
 - Tax-free earnings
 - Favorable federal estate and gift tax provisions
 - Hope and Lifetime Learning tax credits may be available
 - Virginia income tax deduction for account owner

▶ Protection from creditors under Virginia law

▶ Use at any accredited college in the country eligible to accept federal financial aid

- ▶ Age limits
 - Newborn through ninth grade

▶ Limited enrollment period

▶ State residency requirements

▶ Maximum 5 year university and 3 year community college contracts

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▶ Internal Revenue Code § 529 savings plan

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 - Tuition and fees
 - Room and board
 - Textbooks, supplies and computers (if required)

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 - Savings may not be sufficient to cover all college costs

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