Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program

Account Application for an Entity Account



- Type in your information and print out the completed form, or print clearly, preferably in capital letters and black ink. Mail the form to the mailing address listed. Do not staple.
- Your initial investment may be in any dollar amount.
- Before you invest, consider whether your or the beneficiary's home state offers any state tax or other state benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors that are only available for investments in that state's qualified tuition program. Before completing this form, carefully read the Plan Description and Participation Agreement.

To request assistance in completing this form call us at **1-877-432-7444**, Monday to Friday 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. CT.

Important Information about Procedures for Opening a New Account

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, Federal law requires all financial institutions, including us, to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person who opens an Account.

What this means for you: When you open an Account, we will ask for your name, address, date of birth, Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number and other information that will allow us to identify you, such as your home telephone number. Until you provide the information we need, we may not be able to open an Account or effect any transactions for you.

If we are unable to verify your identity, we reserve the right to close your Account or take other steps we deem reasonable.

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www.BrightStart.com

Regular mailing address:

Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program PO Box 219288 Kansas City, MO 64121-9288

Overnight mailing address:

Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program 1001 E 101st Terrace, Suite 200 Kansas City, MO 64131

Type of Entity (Check one)

additional information from you.)

Trust Account. I am opening this Account as a trust. (You must enclose supporting documents substantiating the status of the trust Account, and the authorization of the establishment of the authorized signer. We may also request additional information from you.) Note: Foreign trusts are not eligible. Business Entity. I am opening this Account as a corporation or association. (Entity Account Owners are required to provide additional documentation to open the Account or this account cannot be opened. Read the enclosed Documentary Evidence Requirements for Opening New Entity Accounts and List of Approved Documents for Substantiation by Entity Account Owners before completing this form.) Internal Revenue Section IRC \$501(c)(3) Organization. I am opening this Account on behalf of a scholarship program, non-profit organization or an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) as part of a scholarship program operated by such government or organization. (You must include documentary evidence. Please enclose supporting documents substantiating the status of the entity Account Owner and the authorization of the Account and the authority of the person signing the **Account Application for an Entity Account.** We may also request additional information from you.) State or Local Government, or Agency or Instrumentality thereof. I am opening this Account on behalf of a state or local government (or agency or instrumentality thereof) or an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) as part of a scholarship program operated by such government or organization. (You must include documentary evidence. Please enclose supporting documents substantiating the status of the entity Account Owner and the authorization of the Account and the authority of the person signing the Account Application for an Entity Account. We may also request



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3. Legal Entity Beneficial Ownership (Required for Business Entities and IRC Section 501(c)(3) Organizations)

Legal Entity Beneficial Ownership Certification

A. Beneficial Owner(s)

Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, Federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person who opens an account. In some cases, federal law also requires the Plan to verify and record information that identifies the natural persons who control and beneficially own a legal entity that opens an account.

This section MUST be completed by the person opening a new account on behalf of a legal entity. For the purpose of this section, a legal entity includes a corporation, a limited liability company, a general partnership, statutory trust, a non-profit and any similar business entity formed in the United States.

When you open an account, we will ask for names, addresses, dates of birth, and other information that will allow the Plan to identify you and other natural persons associated with the account. This information will be verified to ensure the identity of all such natural persons.

For any non-US citizens being named as a beneficial owner in **Section 3A** or as a Control Person in **Section 3B**, you must provide a nonexpired government issued document such as a passport showing a number and photograph.

This section requires you to provide the name, address, date of birth, and Social Security number for the following individuals:

- Each individual, if any, who owns, directly or indirectly, 25% or more of the equity interest of the legal entity customer (e.g. each natural person that owns 25% or more of the shares of a corporation); AND
- An individual with significant responsibility for managing the legal entity customer (e.g., a Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Managing Member, General Partner, Vice President, or Treasurer).

Check this box if there are no Beneficial Owners of this entity of 25% or greater. Non-profit organizations do not have to complete this sub-section. Please skip to Section 3B .
If no single individual owns 25% or more of this entity, do not complete the beneficial owner sections below. You must notify the Plan if or when an individual ever owns 25% or more of the entity.

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4.	Beneficiary	Information	(The Beneficiary is the pers	son for whom the funds are intended	d.)
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• This section is not required for a State or Local Government or Agency or Instrumentality thereof, or an IRC §501(c)(3) Organization that selected an unnamed beneficiary, in Section 1.	
Legal Name (First name) (Required) (M	1.1.)
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Social Security or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (Required) Birth Date (mm-dd-yyyy) (Required)	
Check if Beneficiary's address is the same as Account Owner's, otherwise complete the following:	
Mailing Address	
City State Zip Code	
Relationship of Account Owner to Beneficiary	
Parent Guardian Grandparent Friend Self Other	

5. Investment Portfolio Selection (Required)

Complete this section to allocate your initial and future contributions to your selected Investment Portfolio(s).

- Indicate an allocation percentage next to your selected Investment Portfolio(s) below.
- Use a whole percentage next to each Investment Portfolio below. The TOTAL of all allocations must equal 100%.
- You may invest in as many Investment Portfolios as you wish from the list below. You do not have to select a portfolio that aligns with the beneficiary's enrollment year.
- You can view or change your Allocation Instructions for future contributions online, by telephone or by form at any time.

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^{*} See the Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program Plan Description and Participation Agreement for details.

^{**} Subject to the twice per calendar year limit on investment strategy changes for previously contributed amounts.

6. Contribution Method

- Your initial contribution can come from several sources combined but you must check at least one source. If you combine sources, check the appropriate box for each source and write in the contribution amount for each.
- Contributions by any source will not be available for withdrawal for 8 Business Days.
- Third-party personal checks up to \$10,000 endorsed over to the Plan are accepted.

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Α.	Check: Make check payable to Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program.
	Include your check with this Account Application. Personal checks (excluding starter checks), bank drafts, teller's checks, cashier's checks, checks issued by a financial institution or brokerage firm payable to you and endorsed over to the Plan by you, and third-party personal checks up to \$10,000 endorsed over to the Plan are accepted.
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В.	Rollover proceeds directly from another 529 plan. Submit the Plan's Incoming Rollover Form along with this application.
	To roll over the proceeds you received from the withdrawal from another 529 plan account, submit a check for the amount along with this application. The check must be received within 60 days of the date of the withdrawal from the other qualified tuition program or Coverdell Education Savings Account. Please provide the breakdown of contributions and earnings below AND submit a statement from the other 529 plan with this application.
	Amount of Rollover Principal (Basis) Earnings
C.	Transfer from an existing Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program Account: Complete this section if you are transferring assets from an existing account. You will also need to complete a Transfer Form .
	Account Number
D.	Indirect Rollover: A check is included from another 529 plan, Coverdell Education Savings Account, or Qualified U.S. Savings Bond that was redeemed within the last 60 days. You must provide an account statement from your former account or IRS form 1099-INT or 1099-Q showing the contribution and earnings portion of the redemption. \$
E.	Payroll Direct Deposit: If you want to make contributions to your Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program Account directly as a Payroll Direct Deposit, you must contact your employer's payroll office to verify that you can participate. Payroll Direct Deposit contributions will not be made to your Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program Account until you have received a Payroll Direct Deposit Confirmation Form from the Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program. Once this is received please enter this information on your employer self-service portal (<i>if available</i>) or provide your signature and Social Security or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number on this application and submit to your employer's payroll office. The amount you indicate below will be in addition to Payroll Direct Deposits that you may have previously established for other Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program Accounts.
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F.	Recurring Contribution: You can have a set amount automatically transferred from your bank, savings and loan, or credit union account monthly or quarterly. Money will be transferred electronically based on the frequency you select into your Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program Account. You may change the investment amount and frequency at any time by logging onto your Account at www.BrightStart.com or by calling 1.877.432.7444 . To add Recurring Contribution instructions or multiple bank accounts, attach a separate sheet with the information requested in Sections 6F and 7 for each additional Recurring Contribution instruction or bank account.
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Note: The routing nun	•				•			•		_		r.
Important: I acknowle	edge that my l	oank or financ	al institi	ution is loc	ated in the l	J.S. and/c	or adheres t	o U.S. ba	ınking re	gulations.		
Bank Name												
Bank Routing Number		Bank Ac	count Nur	mber				Accour (Check C		Checking	Savin	ngs
If applicable, authorization	from a joint bar	nk account owne	r is requir	ed to add ba	nk instructions	on the acc	ount.					
Bank Account Owner (First	name)											(M.I.)
Bank Account Owner (Last	name)											
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Signature of Bank Account	: Owner					_	Date (i	mm-dd-yyy)	//			
Joint Bank Account Owner	(First name)											(M.I.)
Joint Bank Account Owner	(Last name)											
SIGNATURE]				_		
Signature of Joint Bank Ac	count Owner					_	Date (i	L nm-dd-yyy)				

Dollar Amount

8. Automatic Dollar-Cost Averaging Program (Optional)

Investment Portfolio

Automatic dollar-cost averaging allows you to reallocate from one Investment Portfolio to one or more other Investment Portfolios within your Account on a pre-scheduled basis.

- To start automatic dollar-cost averaging you must make a minimum \$100 contribution to an initial Investment Portfolio (Source Portfolio), and at the time of the contribution, designate automatic periodic allocations to one or more other Investment Portfolios (Target Portfolio).
- Your entire initial deposit does not need to be included in the automatic dollar-cost averaging.
- Creating an automatic dollar-cost averaging at the time of enrollment will NOT count towards your twice per calendar year
 Investment Portfolio change limit. To start automatic dollar-cost averaging at the time of enrollment you must mail a contribution
 check with this completed form to the Plan.
- If you make any changes to or cancel an established automatic dollar-cost averaging it will count towards your twice per calendar
 year Investment Portfolio change limit.

Amount: \$	
Frequency (Select one.): Quarterly (Based on established date	, not calendar quarter.)
Start Date:* Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
* The Plan must receive instructions at least 3 business days prior to the indicated start date. for details of these transactions. If the date is not specified, this option will begin the month the 15th day of the month.	
Stop Type (Select one.):	
Stop Date Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
When total amount of Reallocation equals: \$,	0 0
When Complete Balance of the Source Portfolio is depleted.	
Source Portfolio:	
Target Portfolio:	
	\$
Investment Portfolio	Dollar Amount
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Investment Portfolio	Dollar Amount
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9. Signature and Certification (An Authorized Representative must sign this section or this Account will not be opened.)

By signing below, I am agreeing to terms and conditions set forth below and in the Participation Agreement for Accounts Owned by Individuals (the "Participation Agreement") contained in the Plan Description. I understand and agree that those documents govern all aspects of this Account and are herein incorporated by reference.

I hereby establish, as the Account Owner, an Account representing an interest in the Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program (the "Plan") for the Beneficiary to be named on this form and enter into this Participation Agreement (this "Agreement") relating to the Account with the Plan.

The Illinois State Treasurer is the Plan Administrator (the "Administrator"). I understand that the Plan Administrator has retained TIAA-CREF Tuition Financing, Inc. as the Plan Manager (the "Plan Manager") for the Plan and that this Agreement is subject to and incorporates by reference the information concerning the Plan, and the terms applicable to my Account, contained in the Plan Description and its Appendix (the "Plan Description"), as modified from time to time. Each capitalized term used, but not defined in this Agreement, has the meaning of the term provided in the Plan Description.

I certify all of the information provided by me on this **Account Application for an Entity Account** is, and all information provided by me in the future will be, true, complete and correct and I authorize the Plan to open this Account based upon this information.

- I understand that at any time the value of any Account(s) to which I make contributions may be more or less than the amounts I contributed to such Account(s).
- I understand that the Plan may, from time to time, amend the Plan Description and Participation Agreement and I understand and agree that I will be subject to the terms of those amendments.
- I have received, read and understand the Plan Description and Participation Agreement.
- I understand that if I did not provide an **Incoming Rollover Form** along with my rollover from another 529 Plan or Coverdell Educations Savings Account, the entire rollover amount will be treated as earnings and will be reported as earnings upon withdrawal, unless the Plan receives a statement, including breakdown of the earnings and contributions, from my original account. Rollovers between 529 plans for the same Beneficiary are permitted only once every 12 months, by law.
- If I have enclosed a check for an indirect rollover, I also certify that this amount was withdrawn from another qualified tuition program or from a Coverdell Education Savings Account within the last 60 days to qualify for rollover treatment and that I have not previously made a rollover for the same Beneficiary within the last 12 months. The entire rollover amount will be treated as earnings, and will be reported as earnings upon withdrawal, unless the Plan receives a statement, including breakdown of the earnings and contributions, from my original account.
- If I have provided banking information in **Section 7**, I authorize the *Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program* to debit my bank account and to deposit such funds into my Plan Account. I authorize the financial institution holding the bank account to debit without responsibility for the accuracy of the transaction. I further agree that neither the Plan nor its agents will be liable for any loss, liability, cost or expense for acting upon these instructions, except to the extent required by applicable law.
- You should be aware that by providing banking information, you also authorize the Plan to automatically provide certain capabilities
 in connection with your Account(s). This includes the ability to authorize withdrawals from your Accounts via telephone or through
 www.BrightStart.com provided your banking information has been on file for a minimum of 30 days. Do not provide your banking
 information if you do not wish to activate these capabilities. If you wish to remove these capabilities from your account(s), you must
 delete your banking information.

SIGNATURE] —] —		
Signature of Authorized Representative of Entity	_	Date (mn	n-dd-yy	yy)			

I will retain a copy of this Account Application for an Entity Account, the Plan Description and the Participation Agreement (contained in the Plan Description) with my records.

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Documentary Evidence Requirements for Opening New Entity Accounts

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, the following documentary evidence must be provided along with this **Account Application for an Entity Application**. These documents are required to open an Account and to establish the identity of the entity Account Owner.

Corporation	Certified Articles of Incorporation or a government issued business license
Trust	Copy of the first and last pages of the Trust Instrument or the Certificate of Incumbency
Partnership	Copy of the Partnership Agreement
Limited Liability Corporation (LLC)	Copy of the LLC Agreement
Estate	Certified copy of the court order establishing the estate
Non-Profit Organization under IRC Section 501 (c) (3)	Copy of the letter or memorandum from the Internal Revenue Service indicating that the entity is an organization described under IRC Section 501(c)(3).

You may also be required to provide additional substantiation to open and transact business for this Account. Refer to the Bright Start Direct-Sold College Savings Program Plan Description and Participation Agreement (contained in the Plan Description) for additional information.

List of Approved Documents for Substantiation by Entity Account Owners

An entity Account Owner must provide substantiation when opening an Account or conducting a transaction for that Account. Such documentation must include the following and the same document may substantiate all three requirements.

- 1. the legal status of the entity;
- 2. authorization by the entity to open the Account or conduct the transaction; and
- 3. authorization by the entity for the signer of the form to open the Account or conduct the transaction.

The documents set forth below meet these substantiation requirements and must be original or certified documents, dated no more than 60 days prior to receipt by the Plan.

- A corporate by-law extract or corporate resolution certified by an officer of the corporation (other than an individual authorized thereby to act as signer for the corporation's Account), with raised seal if in use by the corporation;
- A certificate signed by the owner of a sole proprietorship;
- A certificate signed by a general partner of a partnership (other than an individual authorized by the certificate to act as signer for the partnership's Account);
- A certificate signed by an officer of a limited liability company, other company or association (other than an individual authorized by the certificate to act as signer for the Account of the limited liability company, other company or association);
- A certificate signed by the chief executive officer of a state or local government agency;
- A certified copy of a court order establishing an estate and naming a legal representative of the estate that is authorized to act as a signer of the Account of the estate;
- A certificate signed by the trustee of a trust, a court order, or a certified copy of the portion(s) of a trust instrument, that confirms the
 creation of the trust and the identity of the trustee, and provides authorization for the trustee to act as a signer for the Account of the trust;
- A letter or memorandum from the Internal Revenue Service indicating that the entity is an organization described in Section 501(c)(3)
 of the Internal Revenue Code;
- An original memorandum exhibiting the appropriate letterhead and containing the holographic signature of any one of the following:

 (a) the chief executive officer of a corporation or limited liability company;
 (b) the general partner of a partnership;
 (c) the owner of a sole proprietorship;
 (d) the chief executive officer of a state or local government agency;
- If the entity Account Owner is unable to provide substantiation in any of the foregoing forms, the entity Account Owner may propose an alternate form of substantiation to the Plan administrator's designee for consideration. The Plan administrator's designee must review the alternate form of substantiation for authenticity and completeness and must accept or reject it.
 - **If judged authentic and complete**, the Plan administrator's designee must act on the alternate form of substantiation within 30 business days of so determining.
 - If judged inauthentic or incomplete, the Plan administrator's designee must notify the Account Owner of the rejection of the alternate form of substantiation and set forth the reason for such determination in writing within 30 business days of so determining.