# Paving the Way for College Dreams Invest Easily through Payroll Deduction



Escalating education costs may have employees wondering if they can afford it. Payroll deductions allow easy investing into the Learning Quest 529 Education Savings Plan, helping them get on the path to saving for college.

The following steps outline how to authorize payroll direct deposits from an employees' paychecks into their Learning Quest® 529 Education Savings Program account.



#### STEP 1

The employer's payroll department will need the ability to set up direct deposits by ACH.



### STEP 2

The employee must set up an account at learningquest.com. The employee will indicate on the application that they want to fund the account via direct deposit.

If the employee already has an existing Learning Quest account, they can establish payroll direct deposit by logging on to their account online.

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

Employees and employers should review the Learning Quest Handbook for detailed plan information.

The minimum deposit is \$25 per month

Requests to increase, decrease or allocation changes can be completed online at learningquest.com.

For questions or assistance, please contact the Learning Quest team at 800-579-2203.



## STEP 3

When establishing an account online, payroll direct deposit instructions will be provided at the end of the process. The employee will print these instructions and submit them to the employer payroll department to establish the payroll deduction.

It is the employee's responsibility to submit the completed payroll direct deposit instructions to the employer payroll department for payroll deduction to occur.



#### STEP 4

Using the unique account number and routing information included in the payroll direct deposit instructions, the employer payroll department will set up the payroll deduction provided by the employee. The employer payroll department then transmits the payroll deduction to Learning Quest through Mellon Bank each pay period based on the employee's instructions.

Before investing, carefully consider the plan's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses. This information and more about the plan can be found in the Learning Quest Handbook, available by contacting American Century Investment Services, Inc., Distributor, at 1-800-579-2203, and should be read carefully before investing. If you are not a Kansas taxpayer, consider before investing whether your or the beneficiary's home state offers a 529 plan that provides its taxpayers with state tax and other benefits not available through this plan.

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