

2018 Gainful Employment Disclosures

Explanations and Methodologies

Costs

The Gainful Employment Disclosure for School Costs includes the tuition and fees the school charges and the typical costs for the books and supplies the school requires students to use in the program.

The school does not offer on- or off-campus housing or board plans. If these or other education-related expenses appear in the disclosure, they are estimates of expenses that students might incur during the published number of weeks the program is in session.

Median Student Loan Debt

The Gainful Employment Disclosure for Median Loan Debt was compiled from data collected for each full time student who was enrolled in a program between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016, and who received Title IV aid, including Direct Loans and Pell grants. Eastland Fairfield Career & Technical Schools does not originate private loans and is only aware that students have borrowed funds from a private lender if the student who receives this type of aid reports the private loan to the school.

Eastland Fairfield Career & Technical Schools does not have a payment plan. Students cannot graduate if they owe a balance when they finish their programs. Therefore, our disclosure of student debt is only based on debts that students owe the Federal Student Aid Direct Loan program.

Mean and Median Earnings Data

The Gainful Employment Disclosure information for Earnings is obtained from the annual Social Security Administration report that tracks the first year earnings of graduates. At least 10 completers from a program must be matched for SSA to return mean and median earnings information. The current report covers students from the 2014 calendar year.

Debt-to-Earnings Data

The Department of Education receives the Debt-to-Earnings information from the Social Security Administration. SSA does not provide the Department individual earnings data or the identity of any students. The list of students the SSA uses to calculate median income is provided by the National Student Loan System (NSLDS). The school creates a program enrollment record for each student in NSLDS and updates the students' status during the program so the final list of completers sent to SSA does not include students who withdrew. In calculating a program's D/E rates, the Department uses the higher of the SSA-reported mean or median earnings.

Placement Data

Gainful Employment Disclosure for Placement Data was compiled for students who enrolled in programs between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016. Gainful Employment regulations require schools to report placement data for people who complete their programs.

The Council on Occupational Education is the school's accreditor. The Council's policy requires that the school remove program completers from placement calculations if they cannot work and or if they present valid reasons for not working. Under COE policy, the school counts non-completers who find work in a related field as a positive placement.

The Ohio Higher Education Department is the school's State authorizing agency. OHED also requires that Eastland Fairfield report placement results for completers and non-completers. Under Ohio HED policy, the school counts non-completers who find work in a related field as a positive placement. For State reporting students who are enrolled at least 80% of the program's scheduled hours are reported as completers.



At, or near their graduation date, Eastland Fairfield instructors canvas graduating students about their employment status. They report this information to the Adult secretary at the Eastland Career Center who updates the students' placement records in the Ohio Higher Education Information system (HEI). During the year after graduation, instructors maintain contact with students to verify continued employment or to ascertain when students who are unemployed at graduation find work. Some contact is made via phone numbers and email addresses students enter in the school's registration database. If necessary, some students are mailed a survey.

. For Ohio Higher Education Information reporting, placement data was recorded as:

1. Employed Related and Not pursuing additional education
2. Employed Related and pursuing related education
3. Employed non-related and Not pursuing additional education
4. Not working and pursuing related education
5. Not working and pursuing non-related education
6. Not working but actively seeking employment
7. Not working and not seeking employment
8. In Military
9. Unknown

Students were considered placed if they were in groups 1, 2, and 3. The length of their employment was not recorded.

Students in groups 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 were considered respondents when computing the survey's response rate.

For COE reporting, placement data was recorded as:

1. Non-Grad Completer employed in related field
2. Grad Completer employed in related field
3. Grad Completer employed in unrelated to field
4. Grad Completer waiting to take licensure exam
5. Grad Completer unavailable for employment
6. Grad Completer who refused employment
7. Grad Completer seeking employment/Status Unknown

Students were considered placed if they were in groups 1, 2, and 3. Students in group 6 were not counted in the placement calculation because they refused to interview for an acceptable, related job opening when the school informed them of the opportunity.