

# Tomorrow's Scholar<sup>®</sup> 529 Plan

## Investor Guide



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- Investment options customizable to your needs
- A flexible and tax-advantaged way to save for college
- Potential advantages over other education savings accounts



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## Start with a Dream, End with a Plan

Saving adequately for college may seem out of reach, but it is possible with proper planning and discipline. You've taken the first step by consulting with a financial professional. The next step is to look into college savings programs like Tomorrow's Scholar. A Section 529 college savings plan sponsored by the State of Wisconsin and sold nationwide, Tomorrow's Scholar provides families with flexible means to save for a child's college education while taking advantage of multiple tax and estate benefits.





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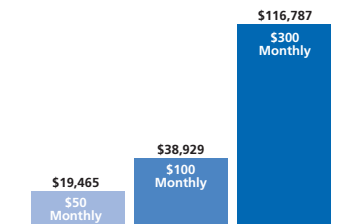
## Tomorrow's Scholar 529 Plan

### Flexible Contribution Limits

- Anyone can contribute to Tomorrow's Scholar, with high maximums of up to \$613,240 per beneficiary. Or one can contribute as little as \$25 a month per investment option through an automatic investment program.
- The funds can be used tax free at most two- or four-year colleges, graduate schools, technical or vocational schools for tuition, room and board, books, fees, supplies and equipment required for attendance as well as college loans, apprenticeships, K-12 tuition and certain expenses, and certain postsecondary credentialing expenses.<sup>1</sup>

### A Little Saving Now Can Make a Big Difference Later

- Per month contributions at 6% annual return over 18 years

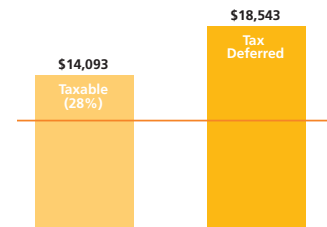


### Tax Advantages

- 529 Plans like Tomorrow's Scholar offer federally tax-exempt growth and earnings. This feature has the potential to accumulate much more money than if the investment was taxed.
- Qualified distributions to pay for the beneficiary's college costs, college loans, apprenticeships or K-12 tuition and certain expenses are free of federal and, in almost all cases, state taxes.<sup>1, 2, 3</sup>

### The Power of Tax-Exempt Growth

- Tax-deferred and taxable growth of \$10,000 over 18 years (assuming 24% tax bracket and 6% annual return)



These hypothetical examples are for illustrative purposes only. Assumes no withdrawals were taken.

### Other Benefits of Tomorrow's Scholar:

- No time, age or income limits for contributions
- Covers most expenses at most schools
- Three ways to invest using world-class managers
- Protected from claims from creditors<sup>4</sup>
- Account structure allows for joint ownership
- Owner retains access and control
- Removes assets from taxable estates
- Special gifting rules allows higher funding opportunities

<sup>1</sup> State tax treatment of apprentice program expenses and the repayment of student loans varies by state. Taxpayers who reside or have income in other states outside of Wisconsin should also consult with a qualified tax advisor before taking any such actions.

<sup>2</sup> Only one state, Alabama, does not offer state tax-free withdrawals for qualified expenses for any plan but its own. It is important to review local state tax laws before withdrawing from a 529 to pay for K-12 tuition and certain expenses, rules surrounding these distributions vary between states. Some states do not consider these distributions to be qualified and/or may apply additional criteria in order for the distributions to be considered qualified.

<sup>3</sup> Nonqualified withdrawals are subject to a 10% penalty on the earnings component of such withdrawal, unless such penalty is waived, as well as taxes at ordinary rates of the recipient on such earnings. States may also charge penalties and/or recoup tax credits/deductions previously claimed.

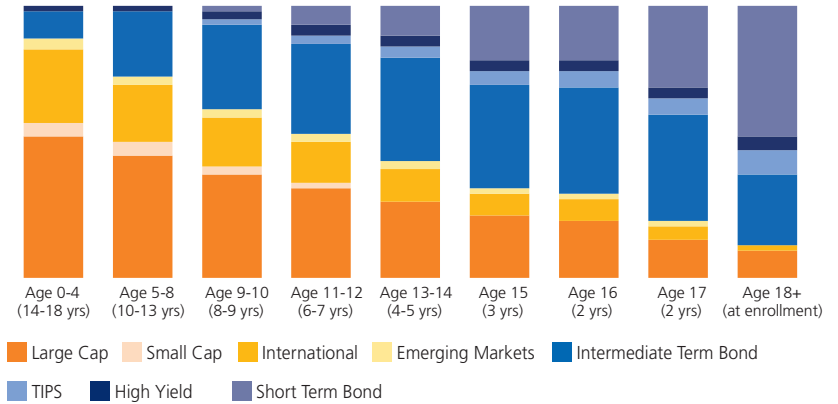
<sup>4</sup> Contributions to a 529 plan account made more than one year before the filing of a bankruptcy petition are generally not considered part of a debtor's bankruptcy estate, provided certain conditions are met. State laws will vary; consult a legal advisor to determine whether state or federal credit protection may apply to your situation.

# Investment Options Customizable to Your Needs

Tomorrow's Scholar offers three distinct ways to invest: by age, by risk level, and by building your own portfolio. Working with your financial professional, you can tailor your portfolio to your particular situation with investments that feature some of the largest and most respected asset management firms.

## 1 Age-Based College Savings Options<sup>5</sup>

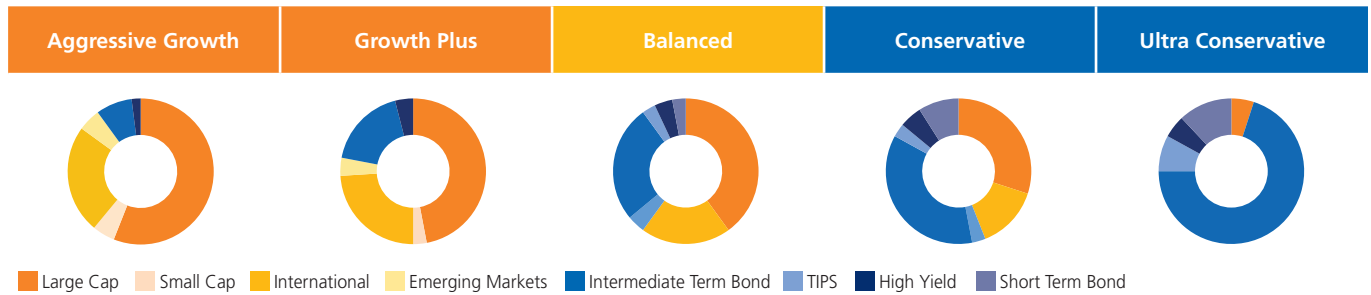
Simply choose a portfolio based on the age of the child, and the portfolio will automatically adjust as the child gets closer to college. The mix of equity and fixed income starts focused on growth and slowly becomes more conservative over time.



Note: Can use actual or stated hypothetical age. Descriptor in parentheses denotes years to enrollment.

## 2 Risk-Based

Select a static asset allocation option based on your individual risk profile from five distinct risk-based portfolios.



## 3 Build Your Own Portfolio

Tomorrow's Scholar individual fund options let you and your financial professional create your own portfolio from a broad mix of asset classes, investment styles and world-class managers. Use these individual options, or match them with the age- or risk-based portfolio options.

### Large Cap

- Voya Corporate Leaders® 100 Option
- Voya Large Cap Growth Option
- Voya Large Cap Value Option
- Nuveen Equity Index Option Option

### Mid Cap

- Voya Mid Cap Opportunities Option
- Voya Multi-Manager Mid Cap Value Option

### Small Cap

- Voya Small Cap Growth Option
- American Century Small Cap Value Option
- Nuveen Small-Cap Blend Index Option

### Global/International

- Voya Multi-Manager International Equity Option
- Fidelity Global ex-US Index Option

### Fixed Income

- Voya GNMA Income Option
- Voya High Yield Bond Option
- Voya Intermediate Bond Option
- Fidelity U.S. Bond Index Option

### Asset Allocation/Balanced

- BlackRock Global Allocation Option
- Nuveen Balanced Option Option

### Principal Protection

- TIAA-CREF Principal Protection Option

<sup>5</sup> The Age-Based Options are designed for college savings and may not be appropriate for K-12 investment time horizons.

There are certain risks associated with each investment option. Please see the Program Description for additional information. Holdings are subject to change.

# A Diverse Selection of World Class Managers

Tomorrow's Scholar is built on the strength of a multi-manager investment platform of well-recognized managers across a range of traditional and alternative asset classes.

LAZARD

BLACKROCK

Brandywine  GLOBAL

nuveen

Delaware Investments®  
A member of Macquarie Group



 VictoryCapital®

 American Century Investments®

Vanguard®  ACADIAN

 Fidelity®  
INVESTMENTS

 TIAA

T.RowePrice ®  
INVEST WITH CONFIDENCE

 SGA  
Sustainable Growth Advisers

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MANAGEMENT

# A Flexible and Tax-Advantaged Way to Save for College

If you were to design the ideal college savings plan for your children, it would probably have some combination of flexible contribution rules, tax advantages for you, gift benefits for grandparents and other donors, the ability to control the assets and even transfer them to another child, and the right to use it for any kind of education expenses at any type of school. All of these benefits exist in 529 Plans like Tomorrow's Scholar.

## Flexible Contribution Rules

- Automatic investing or payroll direct deposit begins as low as \$25 a month per investment option
- Anyone can contribute (parents, grandparents, family members and friends), with high per donor maximums of \$613,240 for each beneficiary
- Accepts tax-free rollovers from other 529 plans, Coverdell Savings Plans (formerly Education IRAs) and qualified U.S. savings bonds (series EE and I)
- Residents are not limited to their own state's plan or that of the state the student enrolls in
- You can even set up a plan for yourself if you're thinking of going back to school
- Automated dollar cost averaging program

## Estate and Gift Tax Benefits

- Account owners can create a gifting page to share with family and friends to invite them to contribute to a child's long-term education goals. Creating a gifting page is easy. Simply start by selecting your goal and the investment option you would like gifts to be made into. You can then share your gifting page via email or social media. Family and friends can make online gifts into your account via bank draft
- 529s are a great way for grandparents and other family members to create an education legacy for a child while removing assets from estate tax
- Any donor can remove up to \$95,000 (\$190,000 if married) per beneficiary from their taxable estate
- You can either contribute up to \$19,000 per year per beneficiary, or make a lump sum gift of \$95,000 (\$190,000 if married) per beneficiary every five years—all without gift tax consequences

## Tax Advantages

- Any growth or earnings in your account is federally tax-free if used for education
- Withdrawals for qualified education expenses are also free from federal tax
- Qualified distributions to pay for the beneficiary's college costs, college loans, apprenticeships, K-12 tuition and certain expenses, and certain postsecondary credentialing expenses are free of federal and, in almost all cases, state taxes<sup>6, 7, 8</sup>

## Control over Assets

- The account owner maintains control of the assets until they are distributed for qualified education expenses
- If beneficiary does not go to college, or some money remains unused, the account owner can change the beneficiary

## A Wide Range of Covered Education Expenses

- Eligible expenses include tuition, fees, books, on- and off-campus room and board, computers, equipment and supplies
- The funds can be used tax free at most two- or four-year colleges, graduate schools, technical or vocational schools for tuition, room and board, books, fees, supplies and equipment required for attendance as well as college loans, apprenticeships, K-12 tuition and certain expenses, and certain postsecondary credentialing expenses<sup>8</sup>
- Eligible institutions include most two- and four-year colleges, technical, vocational and graduate schools as well as primary or secondary public, private and religious schools<sup>9</sup>

<sup>6</sup> Only one state, Alabama, does not offer state tax-free withdrawals for qualified expenses for any plan but its own. It is important to review local state tax laws before withdrawing from a 529 to pay for K-12 tuition and certain expenses, rules surrounding these distributions vary between states. Some states do not consider these distributions to be qualified and/or may apply additional criteria in order for the distributions to be considered qualified.

<sup>7</sup> Nonqualified withdrawals are subject to a 10% penalty on the earnings component of such withdrawal, unless such penalty is waived, as well as taxes at ordinary rates of the recipient on such earnings. States may also charge penalties and/or recoup tax credits/deductions previously claimed.

<sup>8</sup> State tax treatment of apprentice program expenses and the repayment of student loans varies by state. Taxpayers who reside or have income in other states outside of Wisconsin should also consult with a qualified tax advisor before taking any such actions.

<sup>9</sup> Distributions for tuition and certain expenses in connection with enrollment or attendance at an primary or secondary public, private, or religious school are federally income-tax free up to a maximum of \$20,000 per taxable year per beneficiary from all 529 plans. The tax treatment of withdrawals used to pay for primary and secondary school tuition differs between states and as such may differ from the federal tax treatment as well.

# Potential Advantages Over Other College Investing Vehicles

There are many options available to help you save for higher education expenses. Your financial professional can help you sort through the choices to come up with the best decision for your needs and budget. Consult your tax professional for tax-related advice.

## Compare College Savings Programs


	Tomorrow's Scholar 529 Plan	Coverdell ESA	UGMA/UTMA
<b>Control of account</b>	Plan owner (usually parents) has control throughout the life of the account	Trustee or custodian has control until age of majority, then assets belong to child	Custodian has control until age of majority, then assets belong to child
<b>Uses and restrictions</b>	Qualified expenses at almost any elementary, secondary or post-secondary school	Qualified expenses at almost any elementary, secondary or post-secondary school	No restrictions
<b>Contribution limit</b>	Tomorrow's Scholar allows \$613,240 per beneficiary	\$2,000 per minor child per year (2026)	Unlimited
<b>Income eligibility</b>	No limits	Phases out for single filers at \$95,000 to \$110,000; for joint filers \$190,000 to \$220,000	No limits
<b>Change in beneficiary</b>	Can be transferred to another eligible member of the family at any time	Can be transferred to another eligible member of the family (< 30 yrs. old)	Not permitted
<b>Federal income tax treatment</b>	Federal income tax-free if used for qualified education expenses	Federal income tax-free if used for K-12 and qualified higher education expenses AND fully withdrawn by the time beneficiary reaches age 30	If the child's interest, dividends, and other investment income total more than \$2,700, part of that income may be taxed at the parent's tax rate instead of the child's tax rate
<b>Federal estate tax treatment</b>	Value removed from donor's gross estate	Value removed from donor's gross estate	Value removed from donor's gross estate unless donor remains as custodian
<b>Federal gift tax treatment</b>	Contributions treated as completed gifts, subject to \$19,000 annual exclusion, or up to \$95,000 with 5-year accelerated election (\$38,000/\$190,000 respectively for spouses who gift split)	Contributions treated as completed gifts; 2026 annual contribution limit is \$2,000	Transfers treated as completed gifts, subject to \$19,000 annual gift exclusion
<b>Federal financial aid</b>	Counted as parental asset if parent or dependent student	Counted as asset of trustee or custodian, typically the parent	Counted as student's asset
<b>State tax benefit</b>	For new contributions up to a \$5,280 reduction from taxable income per eligible family member per year (if Wisconsin resident) <sup>10</sup>	None	None
<b>Penalties on non-qualified withdrawals</b>	Ordinary income taxes plus a 10% IRS penalty on earnings	Ordinary income taxes plus a 10% IRS penalty on earnings	None
<b>Advantages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Federal (and in many cases state) tax advantages</li> <li>Account can be transferred to another family member</li> <li>Account owner retains control of how the money is used</li> <li>Contributions may be made by anyone</li> <li>No age restrictions on beneficiary</li> <li>Allows the highest amount that can be contributed for estate or gift tax purposes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Federal (and in some cases state) tax advantages</li> <li>Account can be transferred to another family member</li> <li>Account owner retains control of how the money is used</li> <li>Contributions may be made by anyone</li> <li>May be used for elementary and secondary school expenses</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No contribution restrictions</li> <li>No family income restrictions</li> <li>Contributions may be made by anyone</li> </ul>
<b>Disadvantages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10% tax on non-qualified withdrawals</li> <li>Can only change investments twice a year (or when beneficiary changes)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not available for high income families</li> <li>Maximum of \$2,000 per year contribution</li> <li>Can only contribute until child reaches 18</li> <li>10% tax on non-qualified withdrawals</li> <li>Must be withdrawn before child reaches age 30</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student gains complete control at age of majority (or when trusteeship ends)</li> <li>Limited tax-advantaged growth</li> </ul>
<b>Use tax-free for college loans and apprenticeships<sup>10</sup></b>	Qualified distributions to pay for the beneficiary's college costs, college loans, apprenticeships or K-12 tuition and certain expenses are free of federal and, in almost all cases, state taxes <sup>11, 12, 13</sup>	None	None

<sup>10</sup> Please note that the principal portion of any rollover contributions may qualify for reducing WI taxable income; the portion attributed to growth is not eligible.

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College is possible. Work with your financial professional to help reach your education funding goals. For planning resources, gifting and saving tools, and information on the Tomorrow's Scholar 529 Plan investment options, visit [TomorrowsScholar.com](https://TomorrowsScholar.com), or contact your financial professional.

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Earnings component of non-qualified withdrawals may be subject to federal and state taxes and the additional federal 10% tax.

The tax information herein is not intended to be used, and cannot be used by any taxpayer, for the purpose of avoiding tax penalties. Taxpayers should seek advice based on their own particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

Investments in Tomorrow's Scholar 529 Plan are subject to certain charges, which will reduce the value of your Account as they are incurred. Please see the Program Description for details of charges or fees that apply to the specific Tomorrow's Scholar savings plan.

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