Supportive services available to KEYS students from the County Assistance Office (CAO) and/or CCAC KEYS program:

- Child care
- Transportation
- Mileage payment for use of automobile
- Payment for public transportation
- School/training registration fee
- Books and school/training supplies
- Test fees
- Clothing and uniforms
- Eyeglasses
- Hearing aids
- Equipment/tools needed for school or training
- Car purchase
- Car repair
- Motor vehicle operator fees
  - Driver's license
  - License plates
  - Vehicle registration
  - Vehicle inspection
  - Emission control fees

These may be provided for approved education or training activities. Certain limitations may apply.

1 SNAP recipients are not eligible for these services.

Notifications of nondiscrimination and contact information can be found at ccac.edu/nondiscrimination.

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**What is KEYS?**

KEYS is a Pennsylvania Department of Human Services program designed to help TANF and SNAP recipients succeed in community college. The KEYS facilitators at CCAC assist students in achieving their career goals by:

- providing career counseling, tutoring and academic support, including help with financial aid
- facilitating supportive services available through the County Assistance Office (CAO) or CCAC
- connecting the student to other community service agencies

KEYS was developed in response to growing research showing that individuals who earn a credit-bearing certificate or an associate degree are better able to get jobs at family-sustaining wages with benefits and opportunities for advancement.

**Who is Eligible for KEYS?**

TANF and SNAP recipients who wish to enroll or who are already enrolled at CCAC may be eligible to participate in the KEYS program.

**How to Enroll in KEYS**

Students who are currently enrolled at CCAC and receive TANF or SNAP benefits should contact the KEYS program coordinator at 412.237.2672 or keys@ccac.edu. Students who receive TANF or SNAP benefits and are not currently attending CCAC should talk to their CAO caseworker or contact the KEYS program coordinator.

**CCAC is Here to Help**

CCAC offers many free services. The financial aid staff is committed to helping students with the financial aid application process. Last year, CCAC students received $40 million in financial aid through scholarships, grants, loans and work-study employment.

Workforce & Job Readiness team members provide guidance in establishing career goals, building interview skills, gaining work experience and obtaining employment. They also promote employer hiring events, interview days, and local and regional job fairs, and maintain an online job bank of local employment openings.

CCAC offers nearly 150 programs of study and has articulation agreements with many colleges and universities in Western Pennsylvania and the surrounding area. These agreements enable academically qualified CCAC students to gain admission as juniors after completing their associate degree.

CCAC also offers developmental courses designed to teach students the essential skills required for academic, personal and professional success. Tutoring is available both online and in person, and many services are available to any student who is in need of them.