THE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FUND (EOF) CHILDCARE GRANT

The EOF Childcare Grant is available to students who are the custodial parents of children in daycare ages five and under and not yet in kindergarten. Recipients must be enrolled in at least 6 credit hours on the Lawrence campus.*

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

1. Students must submit the 2017-2018 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at fafsa.gov and have a complete financial aid file to be considered for the EOF Childcare Grant. International students must complete the 2017-2018 Institutional Student Need Analysis Worksheet (ISNAW) available online at affordability.ku.edu/forms. Students who are ineligible to complete a FAFSA must submit the ISNAW to be considered for the EOF childcare grant application and budget adjustment request.

2. Students must submit a complete 2017-2018 Childcare Grant and Budget Adjustment Request form (including documentation from the childcare provider). The form will be available on the FAS website at affordability.ku.edu/forms beginning September 1, 2017. The priority deadline for submitting the request is Friday, October 6, 2017.

AWARDING CRITERIA

Applicants demonstrating the greatest levels of need will receive priority consideration for the grant. Equal priority will be given to all complete applications received by Friday, October 6, 2017. Childcare costs will be added to the student’s estimated cost of attendance (COA). All applicants will be notified via email of the results on or before Tuesday, October 31, 2017.

FUNDING

The University of Kansas Student Senate allocates funds from the Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) for programs on the Lawrence campus. The EOF is a portion of tuition monies designated for use in Lawrence campus-based activities to assist both the educational and financial needs of the student body. Financial Aid and Scholarships must apply for funds to support the childcare grant on an annual basis. Because of this, award amounts will vary from year to year based on funding allocations.

*Students enrolled in online-only programs are not eligible for the childcare grant. KU Edwards campus students are not eligible to receive grant funding.

CHILDCARE BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

All childcare grant applicants will have their budget (i.e. cost of attendance) adjusted to reflect their childcare expenses. Once the grant funds have been exhausted, FAS will continue adjusting students’ budgets, as requested. If you missed the priority date for requesting the grant, you may still submit the request form in order to have your budget adjusted (and be waitlisted for the grant in case funds become available). If you indicate an interest in loans on the form and you have remaining eligibility, you will be awarded additional loans. Once grant funds have been disbursed, the grant application will be replaced by the 2017-2018 Childcare Budget Adjustment Request form, which will be available for the remainder of the academic year.

If you are attending KU during the Summer 2018 term, a separate budget adjustment request must be submitted to FAS. The Summer 2018 form will be available in May 2018.