Basic Ticket to Rose Information

1. Ticket to Rose is a program sponsored by Rose State College for graduates of the Class of 2017 who will graduate from, or who live in, the Carl Albert, Choctaw, Del City, Midwest City, and Star Spencer school districts.

2. The program provides students with support for tuition and mandatory fees for up to 62 attempted credit hours, or for three consecutive years, whichever comes first.

3. Ticket to Rose offers assistance when scholarships and other forms of federal or state financial aid (excluding loans) do not cover the cost of tuition and fees. Therefore, the need for assistance through the Ticket to Rose program is determined by the student’s on-line application of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Should the student receive assistance from another source that pays for tuition and fees, the amount paid by the Ticket to Rose program may be reduced.

4. Ticket to Rose does not provide funding for textbooks or supplies.

5. In addition, the program does not cover the cost of courses offered through another institution as part of a cooperative agreement. For example, the Emergency Medical Technician/Paramedic degree plan includes courses offered through the Eastern Oklahoma Technology Center. These courses are not covered by the Ticket to Rose program.

Initial Eligibility Requirements

1. Students who wish to receive Ticket to Rose funding must be a 2017 graduate from Carl Albert, Choctaw, Del City, Midwest City, or Star Spencer High School. The program is also available to 2017 private, alternative, and home school graduates whose primary family residence is located within the officially defined borders of the aforementioned school districts. Residency will be self-reported. However, if a question arises regarding the student’s residency status, documentation to support the residency of the student within the Mid-Del, Choctaw, or Star Spencer School District may be required by the Financial Aid Office.

2. The student must be a legal resident of the United States.

3. The student must also have an overall (cumulative) weighted high school grade point average of 2.5 or higher. Initial eligibility will be determined by a 7-semester high school transcript, submitted to the Office of Admissions and Records (ADM 100).
4. An application for Ticket to Rose must be accomplished on-line at rose.edu/ticket2rose by the published deadline.

5. The student should also complete the 2017-2018 FAFSA on-line at fafsa.gov, making sure to include the Rose State College school code 009185 in the application process. The student must then provide all requested information to the Financial Aid Office (SSB 200) before the end of the current session for funding to be made available. This may include submission of certain tax information used for verification purposes. If the student does not submit requested Financial Aid documentation by the end of the current session, the student will be held liable for payment of their courses. Likewise, students who withdraw from all classes prior to submission of requested Financial Aid information will also be responsible for payment for the withdrawn courses.

6. Prior to the student’s initial fall enrollment, the student must also complete a Rose State College Application for Admission. This may be done on-line at rose.edu/apply, or in person through the Office of Admissions and Records (ADM 100).

7. Ticket to Rose students must enroll in at least six credit hours for the fall session immediately following high school graduation through the Office of Enrollment Management, Student Services Building 100. They are also required to enroll in, and successfully complete, ORI 1101 College Orientation, or EDUC 1103 Educational Planning, to remain eligible for the program. The student’s academic advisor will determine which course the student should complete.

Ticket to Rose students are advised to drop all unwanted courses prior to the specified drop deadline, as posted in the current Rose State College schedule. Students, who enroll in the required 6 credit hours, but do not begin attendance of their courses, will lose their eligibility for the Ticket to Rose program, and will also be responsible for payment of those courses.

Note: Ticket to Rose funding is not available for the summer session immediately following high school graduation.

8. Once eligibility is determined the student must sign a Ticket to Rose Student Contract to finalize their Ticket to Rose eligibility.

9. Ticket to Rose students who will receive assistance through the program are also required to perform a total of 40 hours of community service for the 2017-2018 academic year. If Ticket to Rose assistance is received for a single term (fall or spring only), 20 hours of community service is expected. Service may be performed for any public agency, charity, church or other community organization focused on improvement for the public good, and although exceptions may be authorized by the college, should be focused on the communities represented by the areas served through the Ticket to Rose program (Midwest City, Del City, Choctaw, or Spencer). Work that is preferential to a certain political party, or inherently religious or proselytizing in nature will not be approved. Students may also provide evidence of service hours from any
approved college club or student organization. Confirmation of service hours by the club sponsor and the coordinator of Student Activities must be provided.

To complete this requirement, the student must sign a **Ticket to Rose Agreement for Indemnification, Release, and Consent for Emergency Treatment** before they begin community service projects for the Ticket to Rose program. Each academic year the student must also turn in a letter of support from each community agency or organization that will provide community service hours. Each letter of support should be on agency or organizational letterhead, and should include contact information, such as a telephone number, and/or e-mail address. Each letter should also state the number of hours that the organization or agency has agreed to provide, and must be signed by an official in a position to commit for the agency or organization. Letters of support for a total of 40 hours of community service are required for payment for the entire 2017-2018 academic year. Again, if Ticket to Rose assistance is received for a single term (fall or spring only), 20 hours of community service is expected. Ticket to Rose community service letters of support must be turned in to the Financial Aid Office by the end of the fall 2017 term for payment of fall 2017 courses.

Once community service hours are complete, the student should turn in a letter of completion from each community agency or organization. Similar to letters of support, each letter of completion should be printed on agency or organizational letterhead, and should include contact information, such as a telephone number and/or e-mail address. Letters should provide the total number of community service hours completed, and must be signed by an official in a position to commit for the agency or organization. Letters of completion for a total of 40 hours of community service are required for payment for the entire 2017-2018 academic year, 20 hours for a single term—fall or spring only. Letters of completion must be received by the last day of the spring session. Failure to turn in a letter of completion by the required deadline will make the student ineligible for future support through the Ticket to Rose program.

**How to Maintain Eligibility**

1. Students who wish to remain eligible for the Ticket to Rose program are required to renew their FAFSA online at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) each additional year they wish to continue the program. This should be done as soon as the student and parent(s) income tax returns have been filed. The student must include the Rose State school code 009185 in the renewal process.

The student must then provide all requested information to the Office of Financial Aid (SSB 200) before the end of the current session for funding to be made available. This may include submission of certain tax information used for verification purposes. If the student does not submit requested Financial Aid documentation by the end of the current session, the student will be held liable for payment of the courses for that term. Likewise, students who withdraw from all classes prior to submission of requested Financial Aid information will also be responsible for payment for the withdrawn courses.
2. Ticket to Rose students must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress, as defined in the current Rose State College Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy (www.rose.edu/content/admissions-aid/financial-aid/academic-progress-policy).

3. Once the student enters the program, the student is required to enroll in at least 6 credit hours for each additional spring and fall semester that follows until they reach 62 attempted credit hours, or until they reach the three year limit, to remain eligible for Ticket to Rose funding. A lapse in enrollment, for either a spring or fall semester will suspend the student’s funding for the Ticket to Rose program. Although they are not required as part of the continuous enrollment expectation, summer enrollments are supported after the initial fall enrollment.

Ticket to Rose students are advised to drop all unwanted courses prior to the specified drop deadline, as posted in the current Rose State College schedule. Students, who enroll in the required 6 credit hours, but do not begin attendance of their courses, will lose their eligibility for the Ticket to Rose program and will also be responsible for payment of those courses.

4. Each new term, students who need assistance through the program must submit a letter of support from each community agency or organization that is willing to provide community service hours. Each letter of support should be on agency or organizational letterhead, and should include contact information, such as a telephone number, and/or e-mail address. Each letter should also state the number of hours that the organization or agency has agreed to provide, and must be signed by an official in a position to commit for the agency or organization. Letters of support for a total of 40 hours of community service are required for payment for an entire academic year. If Ticket to Rose assistance is received for a single term (fall or spring only), 20 hours of community service is expected. Ticket to Rose community service letters of support must be turned in to the Financial Aid Office by the end of the fall session for that term.

Once community service hours are complete, students who receive assistance through the program are also required to turn in a letter of completion from each community agency or organization. Similar to letters of support, each letter of completion should be printed on agency or organizational letterhead, and should include contact information, such as a telephone number and/or e-mail address. Letters should provide the total number of community service hours completed, and must be signed by an official in a position to commit for the agency or organization. Letters of completion for a total of 40 hours of community service are required for payment for an entire academic year, 20 hours for a single term—fall or spring only. Letters of completion must be received by the last day of the spring session for that term. Failure to turn in a letter of completion by the required deadline will make the student ineligible for continued support through the Ticket to Rose program.