

## General Eligibility

- Must have a **permanent disability** or a **persistent/prolonged disability** (lasting ≥12 months and restricting daily academic activities).
  - Must have **≥ \$1 of financial need** as assessed under OSAP:
    - **BSWD (Provincial)**: Provincial adjusted need ≥ \$1.
    - **CSG-DSE (Federal)**: Federal adjusted need ≥ \$1.
  - Disability must be verified via the **Disability Verification Form** (unless already on file).
  - Student must be **enrolled in an OSAP-approved program of study**.
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## Eligible Equipment & Technology

- **Computers & Peripherals**
    - Desktop/laptop computers (max \$1,500 every 3 years).
    - Standard accessories if required (keyboard, mouse).
  - **Assistive Software**
    - Screen readers (JAWS, ZoomText, Kurzweil).
    - Voice recognition (Dragon NaturallySpeaking).
    - Mind-mapping, organizational, or text-to-speech software.
  - **Ergonomic Equipment**
    - Adjustable chairs, desks, footrests.
    - Specialized seating/positioning equipment.
  - **Visual & Hearing Aids**
    - Electronic magnifiers, Braille displays, scanners.
    - FM systems, adaptive hearing devices.
  - **Other Adaptive Devices**
    - Specialty calculators (talking or large display).
    - Note-taking devices (Livescribe pens, smart notebooks).
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## Eligible Services & Supports

- **Tutoring & Academic Support**
  - Individual tutoring (with documented disability-related need).
  - Academic strategists, learning coaches.
- **Personal Support Services**
  - Attendant care (max \$90/hr).
  - Note-taking, scribing, or reader services.
- **Professional Services**

- Interpreters, captionists, CART services (if not provided by the institution).
  - Specialist therapists (e.g., occupational therapy, speech therapy) where linked to academic participation.
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## Assessments & Documentation

- **Psycho-educational assessments** (for learning disabilities or ADHD):
    - BSWD max = \$2,000.
    - CSG-DSE max = \$3,500.
    - May be split between programs depending on funding caps.
  - **Medical/Professional Reports**
    - Costs for required disability documentation.
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## Funding Caps

- **BSWD (Ontario):** Up to \$2,000/year.
- **CSG-DSE (Federal):** Up to \$20,000/year.
- **Item-specific maximums (examples):**
  - Laptop: \$1,500 (once every 3 years).
  - Screen reader software: \$2,600.
  - Tutor: institutional rate or fair market value.
  - Attendant care: \$90/hour.