



Oregon Department of Justice

Oregon Child Support Program

Supporting Parents to Support Children

Division of Child Support

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General Information – Child Attending School

ORS 107.108; OAR 137-055-5110

Can support continue after a child turns 18?

Yes, most Oregon support orders include support for children who continue their education after turning 18. If another state issued your original support order, it will depend on the laws of that state. You will need to review your specific order.

What must be done for support to continue for an Oregon order?

If your order has school provisions and you plan to continue in school, you must go to OregonChildSupport.gov/school and follow the instructions. To qualify as a Child Attending School, you must:

- be enrolled in school at least one-half time, as defined by the school.
- make satisfactory academic progress, as defined by the school.
- notify us and the paying parent of your intent to attend school.*
- consent to the release of information by the school to the paying parent regarding your enrollment status, academic progress, class schedule, and grades.*
- tell us and the paying parent in advance of changing schools.

**If the Program has entered an order for non-disclosure, you must send any required documents to the Program only.*

Does support continue during regularly scheduled breaks from school?

Support can continue during regularly scheduled breaks as long as you intend to return to school the next term/semester.

When does support stop for an Oregon order?

Support ends when you:

- reach the age of 18, or up to 21 if you qualify as a Child Attending School.
- marry, or enter active duty military service.
- are otherwise emancipated (usually through a court finding).
- fail to respond to an objection from a paying parent.
- fail to provide required information (written notice of intent to attend/continue to attend school; school authorization to disclose information).
- provide written notice that you no longer qualify as a Child Attending School.
- reach the date you told us you planned to graduate or stop attending school and you have not provided written notice that you plan to continue in school.

What if a child is not enrolled at least half time or stops making satisfactory academic progress?

- You should notify the Child Attending School Team and the paying parent right away.

- The paying parent can file a written objection. You will have thirty days to prove qualification as described above. If you do not respond or do not qualify, we will suspend your support.

What if I think I might have a safety risk?

To learn about how you can address safety risks in the child support process, go to OregonChildSupport.gov/safety.

What if an Order for Nondisclosure Has Been Granted?

If an order for nondisclosure for the parent who receives support or the child attending school has been entered on a case, the child attending school is only required to send school documents to the Child Attending School Team. Once our office receives the school documents, we will redact any identifying information and send a copy of the redacted forms to the parent who pays support. Identifying information includes but is not limited to:

- ❖ School name, address and telephone number
- ❖ Name of registrar or school official
- ❖ Home, mailing or contact address for the child

If the parent who pays support does not believe the child attending school meets the Oregon School Law, ORS 107.108, requirements or would like to check on the school status of the child, a request for suspension of support may be submitted. Visit the Child Attending School website at www.oregonchildsupport.gov/school and select *Parent Paying Support* and the *Request for Suspension of Support* form.

My support order was suspended. How can I start support again?

Go to OregonChildSupport.gov/school and complete the steps to qualify as a Child Attending School as described above.

How Can I Get More Information?

More information is available at OregonChildSupport.gov/school. You may also call the Child Attending School Team during business hours.

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Child Attending School Team
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Telephone: 503-986-5137
FAX: 503-986-0543
TTY: 800-735-2900
E-mail: CAST@doj.state.or.us

English	Need another language? Contact us.
French	Avez-vous besoin d'une autre langue? Communiquez avec nous.
German	Sie benötigen eine andere Sprache? Kontaktieren Sie uns.
Russian	Предпочитаете другой язык? Свяжитесь с нами.
Somali	Ma u baahan tahay luqad kale? Na la soo xiriir.
Spanish	¿Necesita otro idioma? Contáctenos.
Vietnamese	Quý vị có cần dùng ngôn ngữ khác không? Hãy liên lạc với chúng tôi.

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