



## Colorado - Stable Value Plus College Savings Program

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The CollegeInvest Stable Value Plus College Savings Plan was created to protect principal and guarantee a minimum annual rate of return under a funding agreement with Nationwide.

### 5-Cap Rating

**Resident:**  Savingforcollege.com's 5-Cap Ratings provides an evaluation and comparison of 529 plans, utilizing a formula that examines dozens of factors grouped into the following categories. (Scale 0 to 5; 5 is highest)

**Non-Resident:** 

Performance	Costs	Features	Reliability	Resident Upgrade
4.50	N/A	2.57	3.80	0.70

### Investment Options

#### Age-based/Enrollment Year investment options:

None.

#### Static investment options:

Funds are invested in a stable value investment under a funding agreement with Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company. The interest rate is declared annually, with a minimum rate of 2% before fees. The 2020 rate of return is 2.49% per year, assuming the 0.71% administrative fee remains in effect for calendar year 2020. Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company resets the annual rate of return for the plan each January 1, and CollegeInvest makes the upcoming year's rate of return available the December before the rate is reset.

#### Underlying investments:

A funding agreement issued by Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company.

### Taxes and other Benefits

#### Program match on contributions:

The Matching Grant Program provides a dollar-for-dollar match of up to \$500 in contributions for lower- to middle-income Colorado residents to accounts with an eligible beneficiary (a dependent under age 8 at the time of initial application). Applications are accepted each year between October 15 and December 31. The match can extend for a maximum five years. Matching grants for future years are subject to continued funding by the sponsor. The CollegeInvest 529 Scholarship provides a \$2,000 scholarship to any full-time student who is a Colorado resident, has maintained or has had a parent/guardian maintain a CollegeInvest account for at least four years and can substantiate an expected family contribution (EFC) of \$45,000 or less. The account must have a balance of at least \$2,000 at the close of the application period. Applicants may re-apply each year up to a total of four years or \$8,000. Application period is generally mid-February through mid-April.

In addition, First Step, a kickstarter savings program gives every child born or adopted in the State of Colorado, beginning on January 1, 2020, a \$100 contribution to their CollegeInvest 529 college savings account.

#### State tax deduction or credit for contributions:

Contributions to a Colorado 529 plan, to the extent of the contributor's Colorado taxable income, are deductible in computing Colorado taxable income. Rollover contributions are not eligible for the deduction.

The Working Families College Savings Act offers a Colorado tax credit for employers who make contributions to CollegeInvest savings plans owned by their employees. The available tax credit is 20% of the amount contributed to a CollegeInvest 529 account, up to \$2,500 per employee.

#### State tax recapture provisions:

The principal portion of rollovers and nonqualified withdrawals from this plan are included in Colorado taxable income to the extent of prior Colorado tax deductions. Nonqualified withdrawals for this purpose do not include withdrawals made as the result of the beneficiary's death or disability or withdrawals made on account of the beneficiary's receipt of a scholarship.

#### State tax treatment of qualified distributions:

Qualified distributions from Colorado and non-Colorado 529 plans are exempt.

#### State tax treatment of rollovers:

Colorado follows federal tax-free treatment except that outbound rollovers are subject to the recapture of prior state tax deductions.

#### Does the sponsoring state exclude the value of an account for state financial aid purposes?

No

#### Does participation in the program provide beneficiaries with any advantages in qualifying for resident tuition status at state institutions?

No

#### Is there a rewards program or outside scholarship program that works with this program?

Yes, the Upromise Rewards program can be linked to any 529 college savings plan. Upromise Rewards is free to join and offers members cash back for college.

### Plan Portfolios

There is no investment data available for this plan. Please visit <http://www.collegeinvest.org/collegeinvest-savings-plans/stable-value-plus-plan/> for additional information.

### General

#### Program type:

Savings

#### How to enroll:

Enroll directly with the program.

#### Initial year of operation:

2003

#### State agency(ies):

CollegeInvest, a division of the Colorado Department of Higher Education

#### Program manager:

Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company

#### Program distributor:

Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company

### Contributions

#### Maximum contributions:

Accepts contributions until all account balances in Colorado's 529 plans for the same beneficiary reach \$400,000.

#### Minimum contributions:

The minimum initial contribution is \$25, and the minimum subsequent contribution is \$15.

### Fees & Expenses

#### Enrollment or application fee:

None.

#### Account maintenance fee:

None.

#### Program management fees:

0.99% administrative fee to the state (0.28% of this fee waived as of January 2019).

#### Expenses of the underlying investments:

Not applicable, included in the program management fee.

#### Total asset-based expense ratio:

0.99% (0.71% as of September 1, 2011)

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