

# **OPTIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT EXPENSES**

In addition to providing students with valuable scholarships to gain their high school diplomas, you may encounter other (optional) expenses as you continue to support students through their studies. This document is designed to review some potential expenditures, and why they may be important for your community.

### TECHNOLOGY

- Chromebook or Laptop
- Mobile Hotspot

Many students earning their high school diploma are lower income and may not have access to appropriate technology. Some libraries are able to utilize grant funding to provide them with the technology they need. If you are planning on lending technology to students, develop an agreement so they are aware of your return policy.

#### TRANSCRIPTS

- High School, GED, HiSET, and TASC transcripts are usually free, but can sometimes range from \$5-10.
- International transcripts (which can be transfered using Scholaro) generally cost around \$170.

While this is ultimately the responsibility of the student, any cost to them could be a barrier to earning their diploma, and some libraries choose to cover this expense.

#### GRADUATION

- Caps and Gowns- average around \$15-25 each. Consider purchasing a set of different sizes that can be utilized by multiple graduates.
- Invitations
- Decorations
- Refreshments

## PROMOTION

Gale provides a stipend for printed marketing materials, but items beyond these would be an additional cost.