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(a)

Documented educational expenses for college or similar training courses which are incurred by a beneficiary shall be deducted either from any income received for educational purposes, as defined in (b), or from any loan received for educational purposes, which is considered as property in accordance with Section 50483(b). Such educational expenses shall be apportioned over the period of time they are intended to cover to determine the monthly deduction. Documented expenses incurred by the beneficiary include any of the following items or services necessary for school attendance: (1) Tuition. (2) Books. (3) Fees. (4) Equipment and supplies. (5) Special clothing needs. (6) Child care services. (7) Costs of transportation to and from school based on the mode most economically available and feasible in the particular circumstances. If it is determined that personal car usage meets these criteria, all actual transportation costs will be prorated based on the percentage of miles driven to and from school to total miles driven each month. Allowable transportation costs include, but are not limited to, car payments, car insurance and registration, and gasoline.

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Costs of transportation to and from school based on the mode most economically available and feasible in the particular circumstances. If it is determined that personal car usage meets these criteria, all actual transportation costs will be prorated based on the percentage of miles driven to and from school to total miles driven each month.

Allowable transportation costs include, but are not limited to, car payments, car insurance and registration, and gasoline.

(b)

Income for educational purposes includes, but is not limited to: (1) Exempt student loans, grants or fellowships, as identified in Section 50533. (2) Nonexempt student loans, grants or fellowships which do not require repayment. (3) Social Security and Veteran's Administration payments to a child attending school which are based on a deceased or disabled parent's entitlement. (4) Veterans Educational Assistance program payments (GI Bill).

(1)

Exempt student loans, grants or fellowships, as identified in Section 50533.

(2)

Nonexempt student loans, grants or fellowships which do not require repayment.

(3)

Social Security and Veteran's Administration payments to a child attending school which are based on a deceased or disabled parent's entitlement.

(4)

Veterans Educational Assistance program payments (GI Bill).

(c)

The beneficiary educational expenses shall first be deducted from the totally exempt loans or grants identified in Section 50533. Any remaining educational expenses shall next be deducted from other loans for educational purposes, that are considered property in accordance with Section 50483(b), and finally from other income received for educational purposes.