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## General Information – Child Attending School

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### Can Support Continue After a Child Turns Eighteen?

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 the child plans to continue in school, the child must go to [oregonchildsupport.gov/school](http://oregonchildsupport.gov/school) and follow the instructions. To qualify as a “child attending school,” the child 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 the child’s intent to attend school.\*
- consent to the release of information by the school to the paying parent regarding the child’s 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, the child will 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 the child intends to return to school the next term/semester.

### When Does Support Stop for an Oregon Order?

Support ends when the child:

- reaches twenty-one, marries, or enters active duty military service.
- is “otherwise emancipated” (usually through a court finding).
- fails to respond to an objection from a paying parent.
- fails to provide required information.
- provides written notice no longer qualifies as a child attending school.

### What if a Child is Not Enrolled at Least Half Time or Stops Making Satisfactory Academic Progress?

- The child should notify the Child Attending School Team and the paying parent right away.
- The paying parent can file a written objection. The child will have thirty days to prove qualification as described above. If the child does not respond or does not qualify, we will suspend the child’s 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](http://oregonchildsupport.gov/safety).

**My Support Order Was Suspended. How Can I Start Support Again?**

Go to [oregonchildsupport.gov/school](http://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](http://oregonchildsupport.gov/school). You may also call the Child Attending School team during business hours.

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The Child Support Program can provide you with information from forms and other notices in your own language free of charge. This also includes Braille, large print, and the use of interpreters. To find out more, contact your child support office.

The Child Support Program (CSP) provides services for the State of Oregon. We cannot represent you or give you legal advice. You may contact your own lawyer at any time. Low cost legal services may be available. For information, you may visit the CSP website at [oregonchildsupport.gov](http://oregonchildsupport.gov).