

JEFFERSON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
2026-2027
COST OF ATTENDANCE

STUDENTS LIVING WITH PARENTS

NO DEPENDENTS	<u>4.5 Months</u>	<u>9 Months</u>	<u>12 Months</u>
Tuition and Fees	\$2,940.00	\$5,880.00	\$8,820.00
Room and Board	\$3767.00	\$7,533.00	\$10,044.00
Books & Supplies	\$605.00	\$1,210.00	\$1,815.00
Transportation	\$1,624.00	\$3,248.00	\$4,263.00
Personal/Miscellaneous	\$1,125.00	\$2,250.00	\$3,000.00
Total	\$10,061.00	\$20,121.00	\$27,942.00

ALL OTHERS

	<u>4.5 Months</u>	<u>9 Months</u>	<u>12 Months</u>
Tuition and Fees	\$2,940.00	\$5,880.00	\$8,820.00
Room and Board	\$7,533.00	\$15,066.00	\$20,088.00
Books & Supplies	\$605.00	\$1,210.00	\$1,815.00
Transportation	\$1,624.00	\$3,248.00	\$4,263.00
Personal /Miscellaneous	\$1,125.00	\$2,250.00	\$3,000.00
Total	\$13,827.00	\$27,654.00	\$37,986.00

LESS THAN HALF-TIME

	<u>4.5 Months</u>	<u>9 Months</u>	<u>12 Months</u>
Tuition and Fees	\$980.00	\$1,960.00	\$2,940.00
Books & Supplies	\$235.00	\$470.00	\$705.00
Transportation	\$812.00	\$1,624.00	\$2,132.00
*Room and Board	\$1,884.00	\$3,767.00	\$5,022.00
Total	\$3,911.00	\$7,821.00	\$10,799.00

An Allowance up to \$1,000.00 may be added for dependent care expenses if the expenses are incurred as a result of the student attending college. Documentation is REQUIRED.

Loan origination fees of 1.057% of the borrowed amount could be added to the budget of all loan recipients.

Beginning the 20-21 AY, the Cost of Attendance for less than half time; the budget of 5 hours includes tuition and fees, Pioneer Pack, half the cost of supplies and transportation expenses per term.

*Beginning the 23-24 AY, **for a limited period**, Cost of Attendance also includes a Food and Housing (Room and Board) allowance of one half the amount for dependent students enrolled at least half time, rounded up to the nearest whole dollar amount.

COST OF ATTENDANCE 2026-2027 RATIONALE FOR THE COMPONENTS

Tuition and Fees

The tuition and fee amount \$2,760.00 for the cost of attendance represent a weighted average then rounded to the nearest hour (15) based on actual enrollment figures for the 2025-2026 fall and spring semesters. Tuition increased from 2025-2026 to 2026-2027 by \$2 per credit hour. Enhancement Fee increased by \$10 (new fee is \$20).
(Appendix A).

Room and Board

The room and board figures for those students who do not live with parents are based on the following: Rates for a one bedroom apartment in the Northeast area average **\$635.00** per month, rates for one bedroom apartment in the Shelby campus area average **\$952.00** per month and rates for a one bedroom apartment in the Pell City-St. Clair campus area average **\$808.00**, and rates for a one bedroom apartment in the **Chilton-Clanton campus area range \$740.00 per month**. We averaged the four amounts and arrived at **\$784.00 (rounded)** per month as the basis for the room and board figure (Appendix B). We allowed **\$890.00** per month for food and utilities (Appendix C). The cost of one semester is **\$7,533.00** (4.5 months), **\$15,066** for fall and spring (9 months) and **\$5,022.00** (3 months summer). For those students who live with parents, we allocated 50% of the total room and board cost, rounding up to the whole dollar amount.

Books and Supplies

To arrive at the cost of books for 2026-2027, we used the Pioneer Bookstore's "Pioneer Pack" pricing agreement JSCC has with Barnes and Noble. All students are automatically opted in, with an opportunity to opt-out by a deadline. The cost for books per semester is \$27 per credit hour. Online shopping is available on the basis that each student will be enrolled on average in 5 core classes taught in one term. The classes are based on a student schedule of 15 credit hours. A cost of **\$200.00** for supplies was included to equal a total of **\$560.00** for books and supplies per semester (Appendix D).

Transportation

For the transportation cost, we assumed that the student would drive to campus 4 times per week for 16 weeks and will drive an average of 35 miles each day round trip. We allowed the mileage rate set by federal and state agencies for 2024 at **.725** cents per mile. Based on the above information the cost for transportation per semester is **\$1,624.00** (fall and spring) and **\$980.00** (Summer is only 10 weeks) (Appendix E)

Personal Allowance

Personal allowance for 2026-2027 is set at **\$250.00** per month or **\$1,125.00** per semester.
(Summer is only 3 months, so the amount of personal allowance is **\$750.00**)

*The loan origination fee rate for JSCC students is based on the published rates for Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans by The Department of Education's Federal Student Aid. This amount is not included in the budget <https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans/interest-rates> (Appendix F)