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# Saving for College - STUDENT

*Information Session*

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# ND's Role in Saving for College

## *We, at Notre Dame.....*

**Are Not:**  
Financial Advisors

**Trying to :**  
Sell financial products

**Are:**  
Champions of College  
Affordability & Partners in the  
Private College 529 Plan

**Trying to:**  
Educate our constituents on  
various college savings  
vehicles available and the  
benefits of saving for higher  
education

# \$1 Makes a Difference

Children in low to moderate income families with as little as \$1 in a college savings account are:

**3x's**

More likely to enroll and attend a post-secondary institution

**4x's**

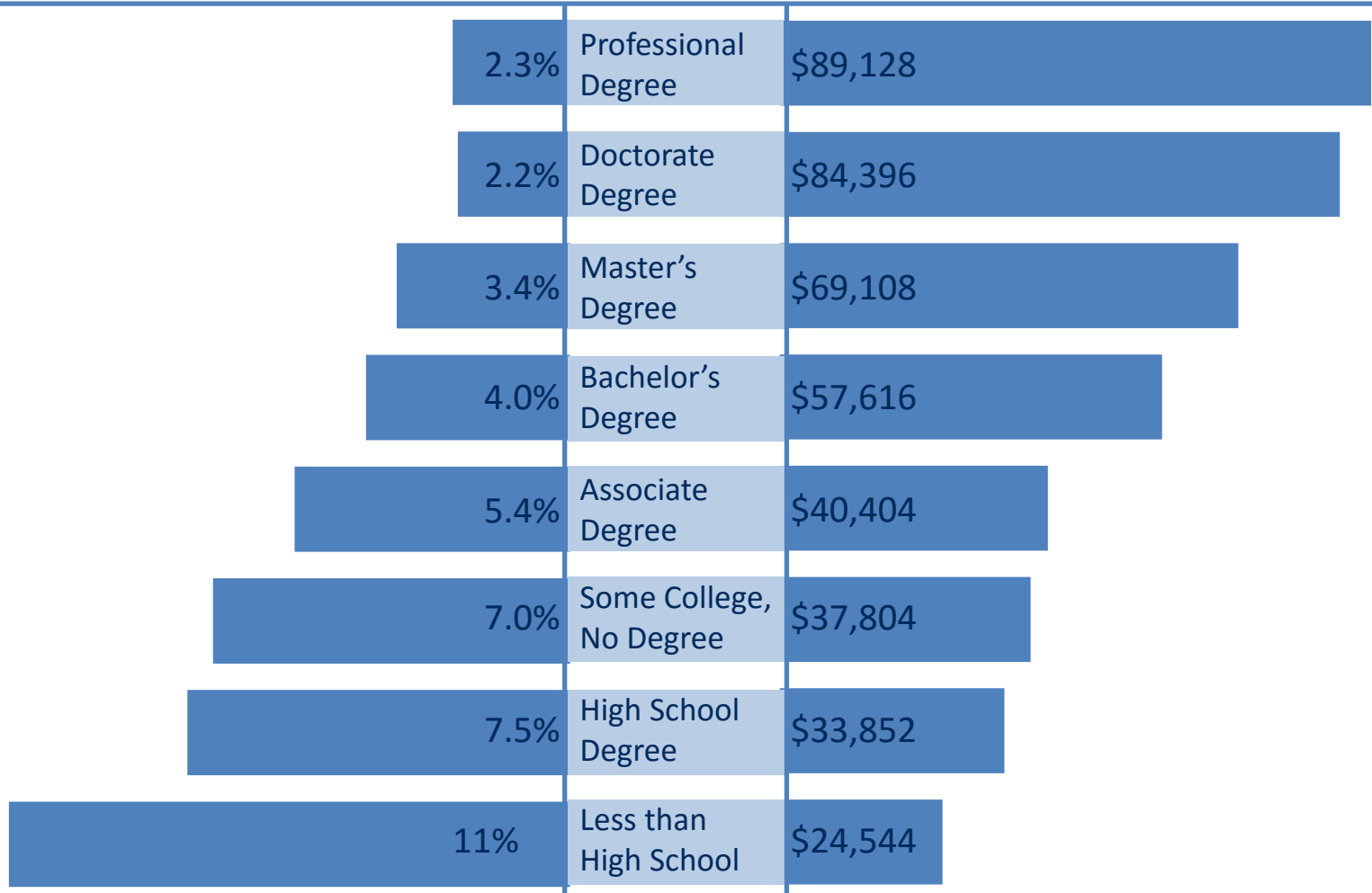
More likely to graduate from the post-secondary institution

May be better prepared academically due to early engagement and achievement in school

# Education & Training Pay

## Unemployment Rate in 2013

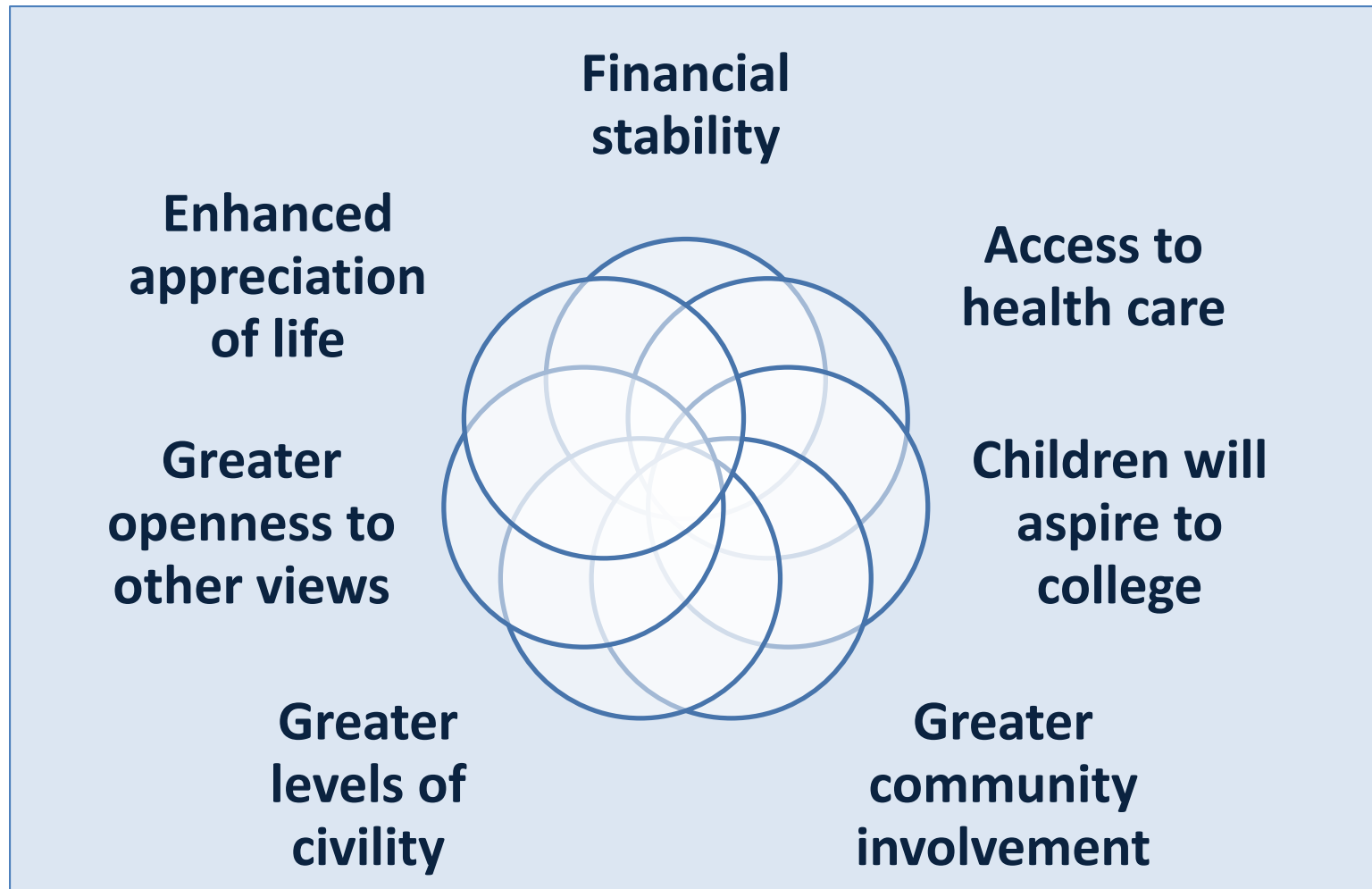
## Median Earnings in 2013



Note: Earnings for year-round full-time workers 25 years and over; unemployment rate for those 25 and over  
Source: Bureau of the Census; Bureau of Labor Statistics

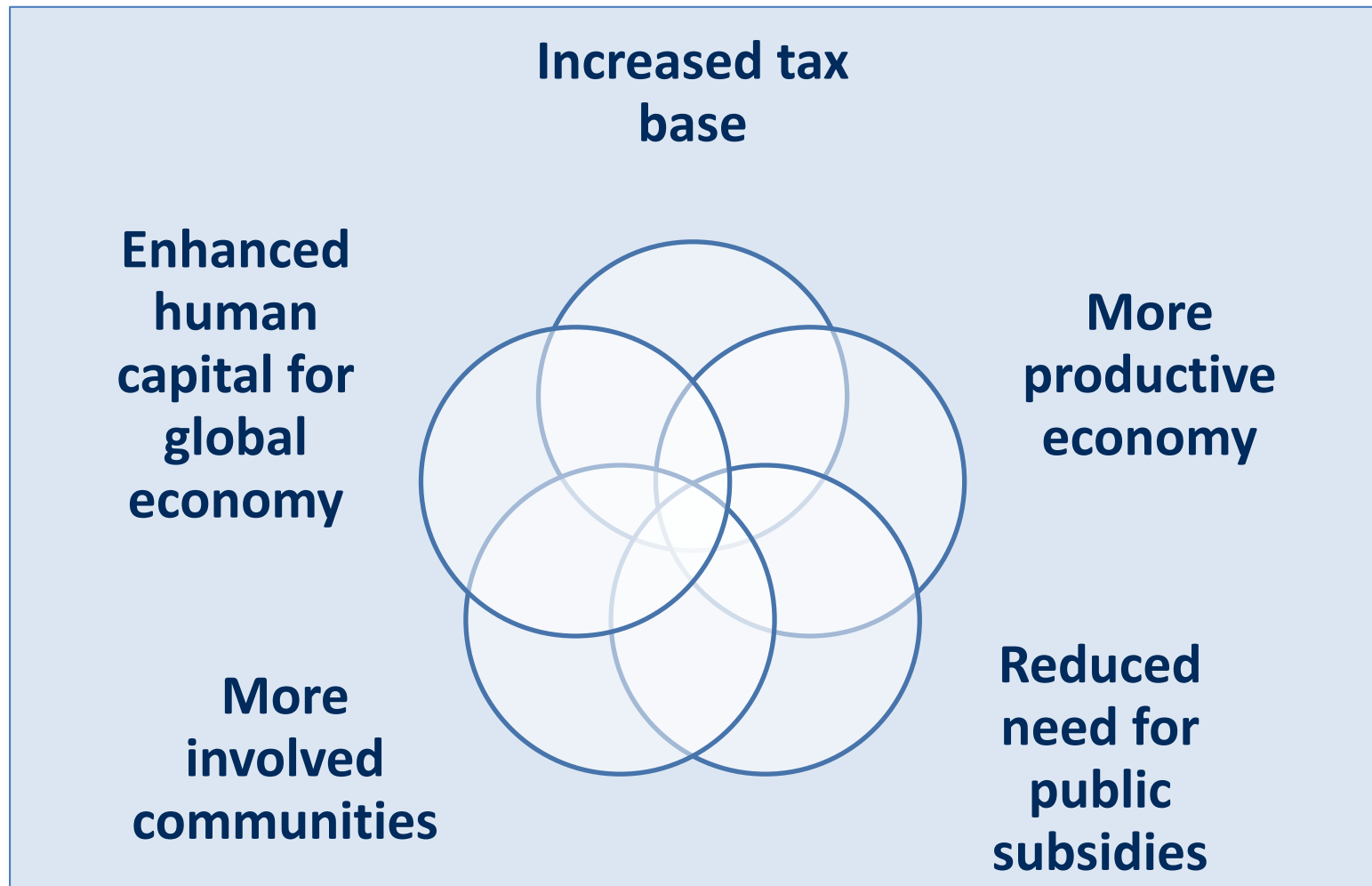
# Potential Benefits of Attending College

## For the Individual:



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## For Society:



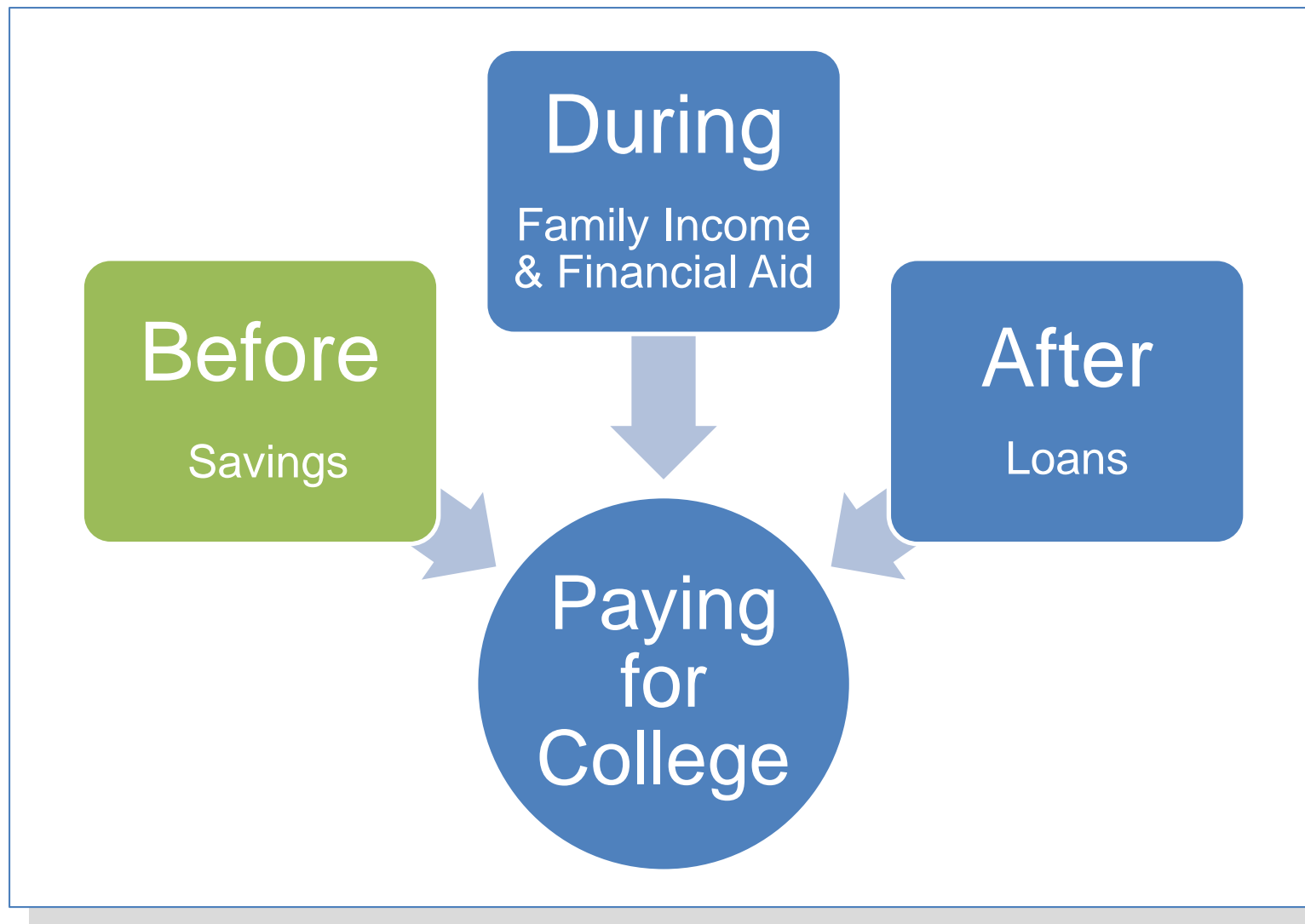
# Total Charges History (in 2014 Dollars)



## Average Tuition, Fee, Room and Board Charges Published Charges & Net of Aid

<b>Tuition, Fees, Room &amp; Board</b>	<b>1993/94</b>	<b>2013/14</b>	<b>% Increase</b>
<b>Public 4-Year Colleges</b>			
<b>Published</b>	\$10,050	\$18,390	83%
<b>Net of Aid</b>	<b>\$7,990</b>	<b>\$12,620</b>	58%
<b>Private 4-Year Colleges</b>			
<b>Published</b>	\$25,550	\$40,920	60%
<b>Net of Aid</b>	<b>\$17,970</b>	<b>\$23,290</b>	<b>30%</b>

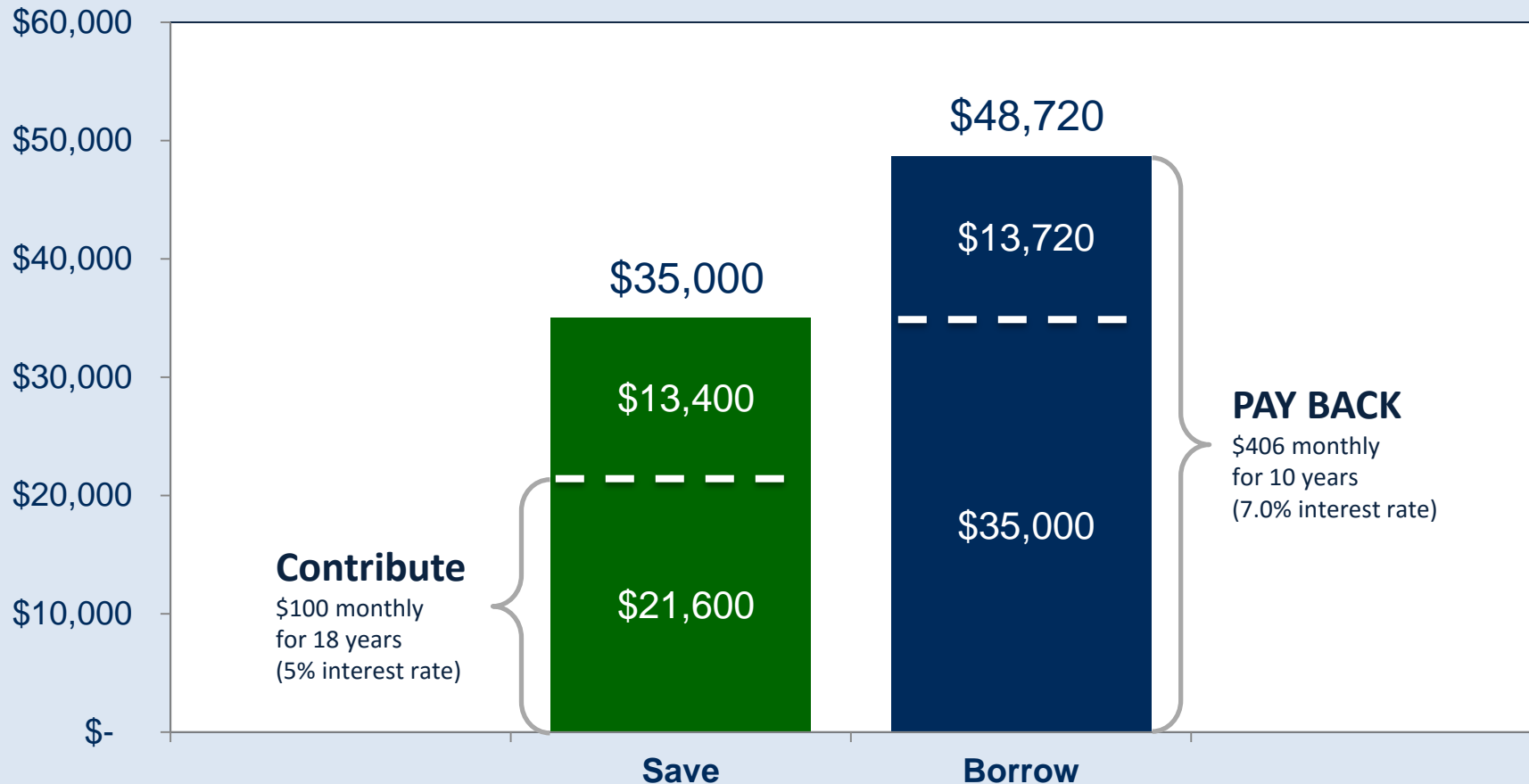
# 3-Tiered Approach to Paying for College





# Saving now can ease post-college debt

## \$35,000 for College: Save or Borrow?



***Save for College:***

***earn interest***

***Borrow for College:***

***pay interest***

**Cheaper to save than to  
borrow for college**

# How much should you save/prepay?

## Estimate 4-year cost

- Use online calculators
- Net price calculators
- White House Scorecard

## Understand Financial Aid

- Financial aid includes grants & scholarships; may include loans and work

## Determine Savings Goal

- Most families can't save 100%; save as much as you can

## Select Savings Vehicle

# Determine Savings Goal



## Expected Family Contribution Calculator

- School Net Price Calculators
- College Board

## Employer Tuition Benefits



## Other Resources (e.g., family members)

## *Multi-media site explaining college savings vehicles*

### Site Contents:

- College Savings Planning
  - College Savings Options
  - Selecting a 529 Plan
  - Opening & Funding a 529 Plan
  - Example Scenarios
    - Financial Aid
    - College Savings
- Private College 529 Plan
- Additional Resources
- Educator Resources
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