

# ***Financial Assistance for Students***

Students needing money to enter advanced schooling this year have a new source of financial assistance which they should take advantage of. It is the new Basic Educational Opportunity Grants program, administered by the U.S. Office of Education.

More than \$122 million is available under the program to first-year, first-time students attending approved community colleges, four-year colleges and universities, vocational schools, technical institutes or hospital schools of nursing.

The Basic Educational Opportunity Grants program was introduced to better aid needy students in helping them reach their educational goals and replaces the Federal government's EOP and EDG programs.

Students have until Feb. 1, 1974, to obtain and complete applications for this school year. Applications are available at student financial aid offices of postsecondary institutions, high school guidance offices, post offices, state employment offices, county agricultural extension offices, many other agencies and organizations dedicated to serving youth or by writing Basic Grants, P.O. Box 84, Washington, D.C. 20044.

Completed applications should be mailed to P.O. Box B, Iowa City, Iowa 52440. The student then will be notified of the amount his family is expected to contribute. The student should then submit this notification to the school of his choice which will calculate the amount of the Basic Grant.

The amount of each grant is determined on a uniform nationwide basis which assures that students who most need financial assistance are able to obtain it. Basic Grants are not loans and do not have to be paid back.

Every student entering an approved school for the first time this year is urged to apply now.