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In this episode, Penny walks through the process of withdrawing NEST 529 dollars.



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**A MESSAGE FROM THE NEBRASKA STATE TREASURER**

This August, students throughout the state are preparing to head to college. For many, it'll be for the first time. Before the new school year begins, it's a good idea to review the fund withdrawal process for your NEST 529 account. When the time comes to put your well-saved dollars to use, you'll be ready.



**Request a Withdrawal:** The process to request funds is simple. You can either request a withdrawal through your online account or complete and submit the “Withdrawal Request Form” at [NEST529.com/forms](https://NEST529.com/forms).



**Decide Where to Send Your Funds:** While completing your withdrawal request, you can choose to have your NEST 529 funds paid directly to you, your beneficiary, the educational institution, or the account owner's bank account on file.



**Plan for Mail Time:** It's important to account for the time it will take to process your withdrawal. If your withdrawal involves sending a physical check to the school, plan for an additional 7-10 days for your payment to be mailed and processed.

To learn more about making a withdrawal, visit [NEST529.com/use-funds](https://NEST529.com/use-funds).

**4 ways to streamline your savings efforts.**

**FOR NEST 529 ACCOUNT OWNERS**

- 1 } Review your account contributions and savings goals.
- 2 } Sign up for e-delivery of account statements, program disclosure statements, and plan updates.
- 3 } Update your and your beneficiary's contact information with any changes.
- 4 } Consider setting up automatic contributions to your account or increasing your current contributions.

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# “Why I Want to Go to College” essay winners announced.

## 12 STUDENT WRITERS RECOGNIZED

This spring, we celebrated the future dreams of students with our annual “Why I Want to Go to College” writing sweepstakes. The sweepstakes invites seventh and eighth graders to write about the value of higher education and their aspirations for the future. 12 student writers were recognized as winners and granted a NEST 529 account contribution — three from each of Nebraska’s congressional districts and three students outside of Nebraska. Read each inspiring entry at [NEST529.com/blog](https://www.nest529.com/blog).

### 1st Congressional District – Nebraska

**First:** Aiden Jurgensen, Clarkson  
**Second:** Emily Ballou, La Vista  
**Third:** Knox Petersen, Lincoln

### 2nd Congressional District – Nebraska

**First:** Javian Erving, Omaha  
**Second:** Isaac Davidson, Omaha  
**Third:** Olivia Dabbert, Omaha

### 3rd Congressional District – Nebraska

**First:** Lila Brennemann, Hyannis  
**Second:** Kylee Osmotherly, Crawford  
**Third:** Kaylin Kliewer, Lawrence

### Out-of-State Winners

**First:** Brielle Feller, Olathe, KS  
**Second:** Ariabella Dimino, Waynesboro, PA  
**Third:** Daniel Dragovich, Lombard, IL



## THESE STUDENTS HAVE A WAY WITH WORDS

“There is a saying, ‘Work is only work if you see it as such,’ I won’t be my best self without doing what I love, and college is essential in becoming my best self.”

**Knox Petersen | Lincoln, NE**

“To me going to college doesn’t mean ‘getting away from home,’ to me it means being able to get a good education to better myself for the future.”

**Olivia Dabbert | Omaha, NE**

“Education is vital to get a good job. Education teaches you how to read, write, and it also teaches you social skills.”

**Lila Brennemann | Hyannis, NE**

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An investor should consider, before investing, whether the investor’s or beneficiary’s home state offers any state tax or other state benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors that are only available for investments in such state’s 529 plan. Investors should consult their tax advisor, attorney, and/or other advisor regarding their specific legal, investment, or tax situation.

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