

# The Schwab One® Custodial Account

Invest for a child's future

A custodial account allows you to open an account in a child's name and manage it, typically until the child reaches age 18 or 21 and takes full control of the account (or can be up to age 25, depending on state laws). Whether it's for your own child, a relative, or a friend, a custodial account offers investment flexibility and some tax advantages. It's a good way to give money to a child for any purpose—and teach him or her about investing at the same time.

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## Features

**Tax benefits**—You can take advantage of the annual federal gift tax exclusion and incur no gift tax for contributions up to \$15,000 (\$30,000).

Investment income, including capital gains, is taxed under special rates:

- The first \$1,050 in earnings is tax-free.
- The next \$1,050 in earnings is taxed at the child's rate (usually 10%).<sup>1</sup>

**No contribution limits**—Your contributions are unlimited, although federal gift tax rules do apply.

**No limits on withdrawals**—Funds can be withdrawn at any time and for any purpose, including education, as long as they're used for the needs of the beneficiary.

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## Benefits

**Investment flexibility**—You have access to research and information to help you choose stocks, bonds, CDs, mutual funds, and more, or you can select a single-portfolio solution.

**Easy to open an account**—You can apply to open a custodial account with as little as \$100. Plus, there's no account maintenance fee. Other account fees, fund expenses, and brokerage commissions may apply.<sup>2</sup>

**Help and guidance**—Schwab investment professionals are always available to answer your questions.

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## Important information

Please consider the following limitations prior to applying to open a Schwab One Custodial Account:

**Custodial assets**—All assets in a custodial account are considered irrevocable gifts and are held in the child's name. The beneficiary cannot be changed once the account is established. The account must be transferred to the minor when he or she reaches age 18 or 21 (can be up to age 25, and varies by state). Keep in mind that once this account transfer has occurred, the beneficiary can use the money in any way he or she chooses.

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**Annual tax on earnings**—For a child under the age of 19, earnings over \$2,100 are taxed at the parent's tax rate<sup>1</sup>.

**Financial aid**—20% of the assets in the custodial account will be counted when the child applies for financial aid for college.

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**Next steps**

**Call** 1-888-302-1559 to speak with a Schwab investment professional about opening a Schwab One<sup>®</sup> Custodial Account.

**Schedule** an appointment at a Schwab branch near you at [schwab.com/branch](https://www.schwab.com/branch).

**Go to** [schwab.com/custodial](https://www.schwab.com/custodial) to apply for an account.


**Estimate** college costs at [schwab.com/collegecalculator](https://www.schwab.com/collegecalculator).

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<sup>1</sup> For a child under the age of 19, the first \$1,050 of earnings is tax-free, and the next \$1,050 of earnings is taxed at the child's rate (usually 10%). Earnings over \$2,100 are taxed at the parent's rate. A full-time college student under the age of 24 will also be taxed at the parent's rate on unearned income in excess of \$2,100, unless the student's earned income is greater than one-half of his or her parent's support.

<sup>2</sup> See the Charles Schwab Pricing Guide for details. Employee equity compensation transactions are subject to separate commission schedules.

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