



INVESTING FOR COLLEGE

The importance of a college education continues to grow, but ever-increasing costs can make reaching this goal quite difficult. The first step is to start an investment plan. Fortunately, there are many investment vehicles to choose from, which can help investors make every dollar count. The table below compares UGMA/UTMA Custodial Accounts and Coverdell ESAs.

	UGMA/UTMA Custodial Accounts	Coverdell ESAs
Can you invest in Ave Maria Mutual Funds through this investment vehicle?	Yes - Directly with the Funds or through many other financial services firms including Schwab, Fidelity, TD Ameritrade, etc.	Yes - Directly with the Funds or through many other financial services firms including Schwab, Fidelity, etc.
Is there a contribution limit?	No	Yes (\$2,000 per year)
What's included in "qualified expenses?"	Any costs that benefit the minor for education-related or other costs	Tuition, fees, books, school equipment, school supplies, room & board for all levels of education
Are qualified expenses taxed?	Yes (Investment income is subject to federal income tax, possibly at child rate)	No (Federal tax-free, State taxes may apply)
Can you change the beneficiary?	No	Yes
Are there any income limit restrictions?	No	Yes (Ineligible if your Adjusted Gross Income is \$95,000-110,000 for single filer; and \$190,000-220,000 for joint filers)
How is the account treated for estate tax purposes?	The value of the account is included in the custodian's taxable estate	Contributions are treated as completed gifts from the contributor to the beneficiary

There are tax implications if the Coverdell ESA is not used for education purposes. Non-qualified distributions from the Coverdell ESA may be subject to additional percentage penalty tax. There is no guarantee that the account types mentioned will meet the investors' education savings goals.

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