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Students affected by the closure of American Beauty Academy:

There will be 3 options available to students who were enrolled at American Beauty Academy locations in Maryland:

1. Pursue a federal loan discharge and state refund of self-paid or private lender monies paid to the school.
2. Pursue a teach-out at a state-approved teach-out school (cost not to exceed original ABA contract)
3. Pursue a self-chosen/determined transfer to another school (subject to all transfer policies of the accepting school)

If a student chooses option #2 or option #3 then the student cannot pursue option #1. If a student chooses option #1 the student cannot pursue a teach-out or transfer.

More specific information about state-approved teach-out options (option #2) will be provided on this website at a later date. More information about federal loan discharges can be found on the U.S. Department of Education website at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/repay-loans/forgiveness-cancellation>.

More information about state refunds for self-paid or private lender money paid will be available on this website at a later date. Any questions should be directed to c-pcs.mhec@maryland.gov.