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Preface

The North Carolina Community College System Office presents *The Scholarship Guide: Eligibility Criteria and Guidelines for Scholarship Administration*. This guide covers the scope of scholarships from state, corporate and private sponsors for North Carolina community college students.

We encourage every financial aid administrator and business officers to use this guide to assist in meeting the financial needs of your students. We wish you continued success and look forward to working with you.

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GUIDELINES FOR ADMINISTERING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM OFFICE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

The responsibilities of the community college under the scholarship program shall be to:

1. Advertise and promote the availability of scholarship programs in its service area.
2. Have an existing scholarship committee select recipients and alternates on the basis of specific scholarship criteria.
3. Submit student information on the *Scholarship Reimbursement Request Form* for each of the **Wells Fargo Scholarship** recipient to the Office of Financial Aid and Student Success, North Carolina Community College System.

All colleges must submit reimbursement forms by the required deadline listed under the Wells Fargo Scholarship (p. 17) in order to receive funds. You are encouraged to submit forms prior the deadline date.

4. Coordinate publicity efforts for all scholarship announcements.
5. Notify recipient(s) of the scholarship(s) awarded to them.
6. Notify the System Office of scholarship recipients, who did not enroll, withdrew, etc., from the college by the census date of the term or course. The college shall select alternates for each scholarship program using the **Recipient Change Form (page 44)** and submit all information (full name, home address, social security number, sex, race, and curriculum program) at the same time the college notifies the System Office that the initial recipient is not enrolled.
7. Notify the System Office when a program has changed or has been eliminated.
8. Return check(s) of recipient(s) who did not enroll, withdrew, etc., as soon as this information is known. Returned checks should be addressed as follows:
Mrs. Cindy Mixter - Business & Finance, NC Community College System, 5013 Mail Service Center; Raleigh, NC 27699-5013 or

If the scholarship is from the Community College Foundation, please return funds to Mr. Bryan Jenkins, Executive Director of the State Board, North Carolina Community College Foundation, 5001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-5001.

Note: Adhering to this timetable will allow the System Office and private sponsors to process the changes in time to award all available funds to students.

The responsibilities of the System Office under the scholarship programs shall be to:

1. Compile a master list of the scholarship recipients from the 58 community colleges for each scholarship program.
2. Submit to the Office of Business and Finance a listing of scholarship recipients, with a request that checks be made payable to the recipients and the college.
3. The Office of Business and Finance will disburse the all scholarship payments to college's Business and Finance Office.
4. Submit to each private or corporate sponsor a list of the scholarship recipients each semester.
5. Assist each college in administering scholarship programs.

NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE GRANT & TARGETED ASSISTANCE

Policies for the North Carolina Community College Grant and Targeted Financial Assistance

G.S. 115D-40.1 establishes a need-based financial assistance program for community college students, targets a portion of the funds to students enrolled in high demand/low enrollment programs, and provides tuition assistance to eligible Vocational Rehabilitation students.

The State Board of Community Colleges is required to establish rules and policies for the implementation of the grant and loan program and the targeted financial assistance program. The following are policies for the administration and implementation of the programs.

A. Policies for the North Carolina Community College Grant Program

1. The State Board of Community Colleges will contract with the North Carolina State Education Assistance Authority (NCSEAA) to administer the financial aid program. Procedures for administering the program will be developed by the NCSEAA and the North Carolina Community College System (NCCCS) Office.
2. To be eligible for need based grants under this program, students must meet the following criteria:
 - (a) be admitted to a curriculum program and be enrolled for at least six credit hours per semester;
 - (b) be a North Carolina resident;
 - (c) have completed and submitted the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA);
 - (d) qualify for the grants based upon a valid Expected Family Contribution (EFC) calculation under Federal Methodology and the program's recognized "required educational expenses" for attending a North Carolina community college; and
 - (e) meet all other eligibility requirements for federal Pell Grant.
3. Financial aid officers at the community colleges will certify eligibility of their students. A graduated schedule will be used to provide grants to curriculum students who meet the criteria in #2.

The program's recognized "required educational expenses" for a North Carolina resident will be determined annually based upon tuition and fees for fall and spring terms, the estimated cost of books and supplies, and a small travel allowance. The amount may be adjusted to ensure that all eligible applicants receive need based grants.

4. The State Board will receive an end-of-year report from NCSEAA and will review its rules and policies annually. The NCSEAA will transmit data on community college students applying for and receiving grants to the System Office, which has responsibility for evaluating the program.
5. Consistent with this act, each community college will designate at least one financial aid counselor to inform students of federal financial aid programs, the Hope and Lifetime Learning Tax Credits, the North Carolina Community College Grant Program, and other financial aid options. The NCCCS Office will coordinate a training program for financial aid counselors and will disseminate information about the program to the public.

POLICIES for the NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE GRANT, LOAN PROGRAMS and TARGETED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The state funding for the Targeted Assistance (High Demand/Low Enrollment) Program and, less than half-time enrolled certificate, and diploma program funding were consolidated for the FY 2017-18 academic year at an amount not to exceed \$550,000. The State Board of Community Colleges will approve the amount allocated to each college and will determine this amount through a distribution model based upon the percentage of Pell Grant awards made by the college. Each college will receive an award allocation amount annually. Colleges should award available funding to eligible students in each program until expended.

B. Policies for less than half-time enrolled certificate, diploma and associate degree students

1. The State Board will allocate funding to colleges to provide need-based assistance to students enrolled less than half time in certificate, diploma or associate degree programs.
2. All Certificate, diploma and associate degree students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be qualified for this need-based financial assistance. Students enrolled in certificate programs that are ineligible for federal student assistance may qualify for these funds. The Student Expected Family Contribution (EFC) must be from 801 through 4000.
3. Qualified students enrolled less than half time shall be eligible for \$30 per semester hour up to a maximum of \$150. Qualified students in programs that are ineligible for federal student assistance shall be eligible for \$30 per semester hour up to a maximum of \$150.
4. Funds allocated to the community colleges will include a base rate plus a percentage as determined by the colleges' Pell funds awarded and listed in the most recent final NCHED A-10 report of the community college system data warehouse.
5. Colleges will report to the System Office after June 30th each year a) The number of students assisted by enrollment status, and b) the amount of expended and unexpended funds.

6. Unrequested funds held at the System Office on November 15th of each year may be reallocated to colleges that demonstrate additional need for less than half-time enrollment funds.

C. Policies for the Targeted Assistance (High Demand/Low Enrollment) Program

1. The State Board may allocate a percentage of the funds appropriated for Financial Assistance for Community College Students to students who enroll in low enrollment programs that prepare students for high-demand occupations. The actual amount of funds allocated shall be adjusted annually, based upon availability of funding in the NC Community College Grant Program.
2. The local community colleges shall identify credit and noncredit programs with enrollment that is substantially less than program capacities, but are in high demand regarding employees needed in those service area labor forces.
3. Based on local training and employment needs, the local community colleges shall determine the ratio for distribution of funds to credit and noncredit programs.
4. For students enrolled through the sponsorship of the NC Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR), colleges may apply these funds to the cost of the in-state tuition rate less the tuition payment authorized by VR.
5. Certificate, diploma and associate degree students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be eligible for this need based financial assistance.
6. Funds allocated to the community colleges will include a base rate plus a percentage as determined by the colleges' Pell funds awarded and listed in the most recent final NCHED A-10 report of the community college system data warehouse.
7. Upon request from the president or chief financial officer of the college, funds will be disbursed to the System Office Vice President for Finance. Funds that are not disbursed by the end of the Fall Semester may be reallocated.
8. Colleges will submit a progress report to the System Office in November of each year that lists the unexpended balance and lists the credit and noncredit programs in which students receiving assistance are enrolled.
9. Colleges will report to the System Office after June 30th each year: a) The number of students funded, b) A listing of the credit and noncredit programs where funds were targeted, c). Number of completers, d) Number of continuing students and e) The amount of unexpended funds.
10. Effective July 1, 2002 unrequested funds held at the System Office on November 15th of each year may be reallocated to colleges that demonstrate additional need for targeted assistance funds.

**THE North Carolina COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOUNDATION
ENDOWEMENT FOR TEACH PREPARATION
Eligibility Criteria**

OVERVIEW

The North Carolina GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) Foundation, Inc., The General Assembly of North Carolina and Bank of America have contributed more than \$2 million toward the establishment of an endowment within the North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation to support an expanded role for North Carolina's community colleges in teacher preparation.

The Endowment funds an annual scholarship/loan for prospective teachers enrolled in community college degree programs tied to baccalaureate completion programs on North Carolina community college campuses and innovative projects at community colleges.

APPLICATION DEADLINES: Application deadline is Friday, September 22.

I. GENERAL GUIDELINES

Eligibility and priorities: Scholarship/Loans for 2017-2018 will be awarded to a limited number of students enrolled full-time in the first or second year of a community college degree program to prepare students for transfer to a baccalaureate program in elementary or secondary education housed on a community college campus.

Factors in the selection process include but are not limited to demonstrated commitment to and potential success in careers in teaching, academic achievement; substantive community involvement and financial need. Candidates shall be selected without regard to race, sex, color, creed, religious preference, age, national origin or disability.

For the 2017-2018 academic year, the Foundation will give preference in awarding grants to students who meet one or more of the following qualifications:

1. Students who are "career changers" who have returned to school from other occupations or from home responsibilities.
2. Students preparing to teach mathematics or science in middle or high school.
3. Students enrolled in community colleges serving low-wealth counties, as designated by the North Carolina Department of Commerce 2017 Tier I and II Counties.

<https://www.nccommerce.com/research-publications/incentive-reports/county-tier-designations>

Those counties are:

Tier I

Alleghany, Anson, Bertie, Beaufort, Bladen, Burke, Caldwell, Camden, Caswell, Chowan, Clay, Columbus, Edgecombe, Gates, Graham, Greene, Halifax, Hertford, Hoke, Hyde, Jackson, Jones, Lenoir, McDowell, Martin, Mitchell, Montgomery, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Richmond, Robeson, Rutherford, Scotland, Swain, Tyrrell, Vance, Warren, Washington, Yancey

Tier II

Alamance, Alexander, Ashe, Avery, Catawba, Cherokee, Cleveland, Craven, Cumberland, Currituck, Dare, Davidson, Davie, Duplin, Franklin, Gaston, Granville, Harnett, Haywood, Lee, Macon, Madison, Nash, Onslow, Pamlico, Person, Pitt, Polk, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, Sampson, Stanly, Stokes, Surry, Transylvania, Wayne, Wilkes, Wilson, Yadkin

Funding, conditions and requirements: The Foundation will award once per academic year. The total award per recipient will be \$2,500 per semester for up to two consecutive semesters of full-time study (a minimum of 12 hours per semester). Receipt of second semester funds will be contingent upon satisfactory academic performance, with a minimum grade point average of 2.7 on a 4.0 scale and progress toward the community college degree.

Recipients who are unable to meet these obligations will be required to repay the scholarship/loan within ten years of the award. Recipients may re-apply for a second year of funding. Acceptance of the award carries with it the following obligations:

1. Recipient must complete all credentials and begin work as a teacher in a public or charter school in a low-wealth county in North Carolina within six years of the first award.
2. Recipient must teach two full years for each full year of each scholarship/loan received. The first two years of the obligation must be completed within eight years of the award. Any additional obligation must be completed within ten years.
3. Recipient must attend, if invited, a meeting of the Foundation or other appropriate group to report on the impact of the scholarship/loan program.
4. Recipient must sign a promissory note for each award, which will be forgiven when the teaching obligation is fulfilled. The terms of the note will provide for a payback as noted in paragraph above.

II. APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants must fill out the attached application and submit it by Friday, September 22, 2017 to the North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation Teacher Preparation Scholarships Selection Committee. Applicants must also complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The committee will include representatives of the State Board of Community Colleges, the Foundation Board, NC GSK Foundation, local community colleges and System Office staff.

**NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOUNDATION
ENDOWMENT FOR TEACHER PREPARATION
APPLICATION**

Full Name: _____

Social Security Number: _____
(This is used for record keeping purposes only)

Home Address: _____

City	State	Zip Code
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County: _____

Home Telephone Number: () _____ Work: () _____

Community College Name: _____

Community College date of anticipated graduation: _____

Associate Degree being pursued: _____

Name of four-year institution where you plan to pursue your bachelor's degree:

Anticipated Graduation Date from four-year institution: _____

Anticipated teaching field: _____ Current College GPA: _____

Have you completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the year in which you are seeking a scholarship/loan? _____ Yes _____ No
You are required to complete the FAFSA to participate in this program.

Are you currently receiving financial aid? _____ Yes _____ No
If so, please attach a copy of your financial aid award letter.

Additional Required Information:

- 1. Previous educational and work experience:** On a separate sheet (limit one double-spaced typed page), please describe your previous educational experiences and your work history.
- 2. Motivation to teach:** On a separate sheet (limit three double-spaced typed pages), please describe your reasons for choosing classroom teaching as a career; your goals for your future as a teacher; your reasons for choosing to begin your teacher preparation at a community college; and the qualifications that make you the best candidate for this scholarship.
- 3. Letters of recommendation:** Please attach three letters of recommendation from someone who can speak to your suitability for a career in classroom teaching. **One letter must come from an instructor, counselor or other faculty or staff member at the community college or high school in which you are enrolled or plan to enroll.**
- 4. Transcripts/test reports:** Please include official transcripts from high school and any post-secondary work completed.

Candidate Signature _____ Date _____

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NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR HEALTH CAREERS Eligibility Criteria

The North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation Scholarships for Health Careers were created to assist students interested in attaining associate degrees in fields of high demand that will allow them to join the health care profession. The scholarships are available to full time students with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 enrolled in the second year of an Allied Health program of high demand at a community college.

All applicants must have completed the Free Application of Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The Foundation awards \$1,000 scholarships, \$500 for the fall and spring semesters. Disbursement of the spring awards is contingent upon enrollment and satisfactory academic performance.

The recipients are selected by a committee of NC Community College representatives. The committee considers financial need, merit, and personal commitment to the health care profession when making the selections.

The North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation Scholarships for Health Careers have been created to assist students interested in attaining associate degrees in fields of high demand that will allow them to join the health care profession. Eligible programs are listed below:

- Associate Degree Nursing (A45110)
- Dental Hygiene (A45260)
- Emergency Medical Science (A45340)
- Health Information Technology (A45360)
- Medical Assisting (A45400)
- Medical Laboratory Technology (A45400)
- Pharmacy Technology (A45580)
- Physical Therapist Assistant (2-year program)
- Physical Therapist Assistant (1+1)(A45640)
- Respiratory Therapy (A45720)
- Veterinary Medical Technology (A45780)

Scholarship recipients will be selected by a committee of NC Community College representatives. The committee will consider **financial need**, as demonstrated by the Free Application for Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA), **merit**, as determined by academic performance, and **personal commitment** to the health profession, as determined by the required documentation.

The North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing the work of the North Carolina Community College System and its 58 institutions, has endowed the scholarships with funds contributed to the Capital Campaign by a coalition of health industry partners.

The head of the college's Allied Health Department will need to complete the application for the recommended student and submit it to the System Office. **Scholarship deadline is Monday, September 5, 2017.**

**NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOUNDATION
SCHOLARSHIP FOR HEALTH CAREERS
Application**

Please print or type

Student Full Name: _____

Last four digits of Social Security Number: _____

Home Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

County: _____

Home Telephone Number: () _____ Work Telephone Number: () _____

Email Address: _____

Community College Name: _____

Date of anticipated graduation: _____

Current cumulative GPA: _____ Major: _____

Has student completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the year in which you are recommending a scholarship? _____ Yes _____ No

Career goals and relevant experience: On a separate sheet (limit 500 words), have the student explain what their career goals are. Students should describe volunteer work, family care, awards, or other life experiences which demonstrate their commitment to the health field as a vocation. *Please attach the student's response to the above question.*

Transcripts/test reports: Please include an official transcript from the community college in which student is enrolled.

Mail all materials to:

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Telephone: (919) 807-7195
Fax: (919) 807-7173

**NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOUNDATION
SCHOLARSHIP FOR HEALTH CAREERS
Signature Page**

Please sign on the designated spaces below and mail with other requested documentation:

Candidate: _____ **Date:** _____

Dean Allied Health: _____ **Date:** _____

President: _____ **Date:** _____

WELLS FARGO TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Eligibility Criteria

One scholarship per college valued at \$500 each. These scholarships are distributed among the 58 colleges in the community college system, which may be distributed in two payments: fall semester, \$250; and spring semester, \$250.

To qualify as a candidate for these scholarships, a person must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a full-time student enrolled in the second year of a two-year educational/technical program.
2. Demonstrate financial need.
3. Demonstrate scholastic promise.
4. Use the scholarship to pay for tuition, books, and/or transportation.

The recipients of the scholarships will be selected each year from applicants meeting the above criteria at local colleges.

The college shall establish a special committee to select recipient(s) of scholarships. The committee shall be composed of: the chairman of the board of the college or his/her designee, the senior Wells Fargo office executive in the area serving the college or his/her designee, and a leading citizen of the area to be selected by the other two (2) members of the committee who shall not be affiliated with Wells Fargo or the community college system.

In addition, the president of the college or his designee shall serve as an ex officio member of the committee and shall have the responsibility for providing staff assistance and for recommending scholarship candidates to the committee. If there is not a Wells Fargo Bank in the college service area, the established scholarship committee of that college may be used to select the recipient(s).

Submit reimbursement forms to:

Monty Hickman, Associate Director for Enrollment Management
5016 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-5016
Email: hickmanm@nccommunitycolleges.edu
Telephone: (919) 807-7195
Fax: (919) 807-7173

Colleges may not submit alternate recipients for the Wells Fargo scholarship in the spring semester after **Wednesday, February 28, 2018**.

**WELLS FARGO SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION**

Please print or type information

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION:

Full Name: _____

Social Security Number: _____ (last four digits only)

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone number (Area Code): _____

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:

Community College where you are currently enrolled or plan to attend: _____

Field of Study and Degree, Certificate, or Diploma being pursued: _____

If you are receiving financial aid, please list the type of aid (Pell Grant, Loan, etc.):

EDUCATIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Please briefly describe any activities in your community in which you have been involved beyond your academic studies; i.e., awards, special programs or any other educational accomplishments:

EDUCATIONAL GOALS: *(Use a separate sheet and attach to application)*

Please write no more than a one-page essay stating why you have chosen this field of study, how this scholarship will help you achieve your educational goals and why you should be considered for this scholarship.

Application deadlines: Fall – Fri., September 8, 2017 Spring – Wednesday, February 28, 2018.

Return Applications to Financial Aid Administrator at the college where you are attending or to the college where you plan to attend. Selection will be determined by Financial Aid Administer or selection committee.

FA Administrator Signature: _____

Date: _____

RAY JEFFERIES SCHOLARSHIP

Eligibility Criteria

One (1) scholarship valued at \$1000.00. The funds will be distributed in two payments: fall semester, \$500; and spring semester, \$500. Scholarship checks will be issued jointly to the recipient and to the college.

To qualify as a candidate for the Ray Jefferies Scholarship, a student must meet the following criteria:

1. Be elected the president of the North Carolina Comprehensive Student Government Association (N4CSGA) for the academic school year.
2. Have the SGA Advisor and/or Dean of Students submit a written statement verifying their position to the appointed N4CSGA Trustee.

This scholarship is awarded annually to the president of the North Carolina Comprehensive Community College Student Government Association (N4CSGA) who has demonstrated outstanding leadership skills. This scholarship is awarded without regard to race, sex, color, creed, religion, age, national origin or disability.

Recipient is encouraged to write a letter of appreciation to the sponsor.

Rodney B. Powell Memorial Scholarship

Eligibility Criteria

One or more scholarships will be awarded annually, depending on availability of funds to students meeting the criteria set forth. To qualify as a candidate for the scholarship, an applicant must meet the following:

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY:

1. Be a resident of North Carolina.
2. Be enrolled (or must intend to enroll) as a full-time student in an Associate in Applied Science Degree program of study in Electrical/Electronics Technology at a community college within the Progress Energy service area.
3. Have maintained a grade point average at or above 3.0 at the community college or during his/her senior year in high school.
4. Must continue for the duration of the scholarship at the college where he/she was enrolled at the time of the scholarship award.

The candidates for the scholarship shall be selected and the scholarship awarded without regard to race, sex, color, creed, religious preference, age, national origin or disability of each candidate. The recipient(s) of the scholarships will be selected each year from the group of applicants meeting the above criteria.

Other factors to be considered in the selection process will include, but will not be limited to: scholastic achievement; financial need; participation in outside activities; and a demonstrated interest in practicing the Electrical/Electronics Technology trade in their community.

NOTE: All applications will be submitted to:

Aubrey Jones

Power Careers Program Manager – East Region

Office: 919-881-3762

Cell: 919-610-5128

aubreyp.jones@duke-energy.com

COMMUNITY COLLEGES AWARDED THE RODNEY B. POWELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

- **Durham Technical Community College**
- **Johnston Community College**
- **Piedmont Community College**
- **Wake Technical Community College**

**Rodney B. Powell Memorial Scholarship
Application**

NOTE: Applicants applying for this scholarship are to be enrolled or intend to enroll in an Electrical/Electronics Technology program.

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION:

Full Name: _____

Social Security number: _____ (last four digits only)

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone number (Area Code First): _____

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:

Community College where you are currently enrolled or plan to attend: _____

Field of Study and Degree, Certificate, or Diploma being pursued: _____

If you are receiving financial aid, please list the type of aid (Pell Grant, Loan, etc.):

EDUCATIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Please briefly describe any activities in your community in which you have been involved beyond your academic studies; i.e., awards, special programs or any other educational accomplishments:

EDUCATIONAL GOALS: *(Use a separate sheet and attach to application)*

Please write no more than a one-page essay stating why you have chosen this field of study, how this scholarship will help you achieve your educational goal and why you should be considered for this scholarship.

Application deadlines: Fall – Friday, September 8, 2017

Return Applications to Financial Aid Administrator at the college where you are attending or to the college where you plan to attend. Applications will be submitted to: Lee McCollum, Power Careers Program (Fossil Generation) 7001 Pinecrest Road; Raleigh, NC 27612 (919) 881-3773 (office) or cell (252) 903-0153.

FA Administrator Signature: _____

Date: _____



The Golden LEAF Scholars Program – Two-Year Colleges will provide grants of up to \$750 per semester, including summer term, for curriculum students and up to \$250 per term for occupational education students to assist with tuition, fees, books, supplies, childcare, and transportation expenses and credential testing fees for mid-skill training courses. Community colleges choose to participate in the program annually so eligible students must attend a participating community college.

Student Eligibility Requirements

- Eligible students must (1) demonstrate financial need and (2) reside in a rural county that is tobacco dependent and/or economically distressed (Tier 1 or Tier 2 under the 3-Tier designation). A scholarship recipient who resides in an eligible county upon initial award will retain eligibility and will be eligible for renewal awards as long as the student's place of residence is within the state of North Carolina.
- Eligible students may receive an award for each funded term. Financial aid offices will determine their application procedures for receiving awards for subsequent terms. Selected students will be required to disclose all financial aid awards as dictated by college financial aid offices for award packaging. Golden LEAF Scholarships will not displace governmental grants, e.g. Pell grants, for which the student may be eligible (may displace loan funds).
- Curriculum students will be selected based on their financial need as reported in their Free Application for Student Assistance (FAFSA). Degree seeking students must be enrolled as a full-time student in order to receive the maximum scholarship award. Grants for less than full-time will be prorated based on hours of enrollment and pending availability of funds.
- Occupation Continuing Education students must demonstrate a need under the federal TRIO formula and be enrolled in a Jobs Now program or a credentialing program of at least 96 hours.
- Should a student become ineligible to use any semester's scholarship award, those funds will be awarded to other qualified students within the same institution.
- Students using funds for transportation purposes will be asked to sign a statement regarding their travel to and from the college.

Student Selection Considerations

Applicants will be selected based on financial need and county of residence. Other selection factors include:

- The effect of the declining economy on his or her family.
 - Owned or employed in farming/agriculture business

- Owned or employed in traditional industries (such as textile or furniture manufacturing)
- Household member lost their job or gone from full-time to part-time employment
- Academic performance
- Campus activities and community service

Application Process

- CFNC will post the application on its website with other scholarship applications.
- The System Office will promote and market the scholarship among the local community colleges to help the students understand and recognize the mission of Golden LEAF. A marketing and publicity plan approved by the Foundation will include a public announcement of the Golden LEAF Scholars each semester and the scholarship notification letter sent to each scholar.
- Students will complete the Golden LEAF Scholars Program – Two-year Colleges application for the targeted academic terms. Applications will be filed with the college financial aid offices.
- Timing for the selection process is determined by the award policies and procedures of each college. Financial aid offices will work with Occupational Continuing Education Departments to determine the awards periods for those students.
- Applicants bear full responsibility for completing the Golden LEAF application prior to each deadline.
- Financial aid offices will determine eligibility and appoint a selection committee comprised of college personnel from various areas of the college to review student applications. The committee will meet at least once during each of the award semesters or on an as-needed basis throughout the year.
- The committee will select qualified students per award semesters/terms by utilizing the selection matrix provided by the System Office.
- Financial aid offices will disburse awards and send media releases regarding the scholarship recipients.
- Financial aid offices will provide a list of selected recipients including name, amount, address, email, and use of funds to NCCCS. Colleges will also submit student social security numbers and waiver forms in a separate mailing.

This program is funded by the Golden LEAF Foundation.

North Carolina Community Colleges
Golden LEAF Scholars Program – Two-Year Colleges
2017-18 Student Application

Instructions: Complete this application and return the completed application to the college's Financial Aid Office. Occupational Education students must also submit a copy of their transcript with the application.

Personal Information:

Full Name: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Mobile number: _____

NC County of residence: _____

Length of residence in county: ____ less than 5 years ____ 5 – 10 years ____ more than 10 years
(To be eligible for this scholarship, your permanent residence must be in an approved NC county.)

Educational Information:

College you are attending: _____

____ Occupational Continuing Education Student (must be enrolled in a credentialing program of at least 96 hours.)

Program you are enrolled in: _____

____ Curriculum Student: ____ GPA ____ 1st semester ____ not enrolled

Program you are enrolled in: _____

Other Information:

Have members of your immediate family worked for or owned a farming or agricultural related business now or in the past? ____ yes ____ no

Have you or members of your immediate family been employed in traditional industries such as furniture, textiles, or tobacco manufacturing? ____ yes ____ no

Has anyone in your household lost their job in the past two years? ____ yes ____ no

Has anyone in your household transitioned from a full-time job to a part-time job? ____ yes ____ no

Please list all campus and community service activities you are currently involved in.

Use of Funds:

____ Tuition ____ Fees ____ Books ____ Supplies ____ Credentialing Exams

____ *Childcare ____ *Transportation

(Students using funds for childcare and/or transportation purposes are asked to sign the statement(s) below.)*

I have read and understand the requirements for assistance. I hereby declare that the information provided on this form is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Please return the completed application to the college's Financial Aid Office.

Use of childcare funds statement: If selected for funding from the Golden LEAF Scholars Program – Two-Year Colleges, I certify that scholarship funds designated for childcare will be used exclusively while I am attending class in order to fulfill my educational requirements.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Use of transportation funds statement: If selected for funding from the Golden LEAF Scholars Program – Two-Year Colleges, I certify that scholarship funds designated for transportation will be used exclusively for the purpose of supporting my travel to and from the college where I am enrolled for educational purposes.

Applicant's Signature

Date

SECU Foundation

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE

Two-Year Scholarship Program For NC Community Colleges 2017-18 Eligibility Criteria

Recipients must receive a copy of these requirements

The *SECU Foundation* established this **two-year scholarship program** to assist North Carolina Community College System (NCCCS) students in achieving academic success. The members of the *State Employees' Credit Union* take an active role in assisting organizations and communities across North Carolina and truly believe in "People Helping People!"

Recipients are selected by the Scholarship Selection Committee. The Scholarship Selection Committee must use the following criteria to award the SECU Foundation "People Helping People" Scholarships. The criteria have been designed to give the Scholarship Selection Committee maximum flexibility in awarding the scholarship.

There are 116 scholarships valued at up to \$5,000 each. Each North Carolina Community College will receive two (2) scholarships. These scholarships are distributed semi-annually in two payments: fall semester, \$1,250 per student; and spring semester, \$1,250 per student for a maximum of four (4) consecutive semesters. Scholarships are not transferable to another student or another school.

The committee will recognize the individual most deserving of an opportunity to attend college. There is no formal application process. The committee will consider students who best exemplify the membership philosophy of credit unions, "People Helping People", and have demonstrated leadership, excellence of character, integrity, and community involvement. The recipient will be selected without regard to race, sex, color, creed, religious preference, age, national origin or disability.

Preference will be given to students whose parents or guardians and family members are public sector employees who live and work in North Carolina. Information for the scholarship is available through the financial aid office. Students must meet the following criteria:

1. Is an applicant or full-time student who is a high school graduate or has completed the General Education Development (GED) program, enrolled in an associate degree, diploma or certificate program.
2. Is a U.S. citizen and a resident of North Carolina under NCGS 116-143.1, and is eligible for in-state tuition.
3. Best exemplifies the membership philosophy of credit unions, "People Helping People" and has demonstrated leadership, excellence of character, integrity, and community involvement.

4. Demonstrates financial need using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Preference may be given to students with limited financial aid from other programs.
5. Demonstrates scholastic achievement and maintains a 2.5 or higher grade point average on a 4.0 scale or attained a score of 3,000 on the GED test.
6. Uses the scholarship to pay tuition, books, fees, course supplies and transportation.
7. Agrees to continue at the community college where enrolled at the time of the scholarship award for the duration of the scholarship, for four consecutive fall/spring semesters or upon completion of a diploma program. Scholarships are not transferable to another student or another school.
8. Is not a Director, employee or family member of an employee of the *State Employees' Credit Union* or *SECU Foundation*.

The Decision of the Scholarship Selection Committee will be final.

SECU Foundation

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE

Two-Year Scholarship Program For NC Community Colleges 2017-18 Operating Procedures

Commencing with the fall semester, recipients of the scholarships will be selected each year from students meeting the above criteria at local community colleges. The college will use its scholarship selection committee to select eligible recipient(s). The Community College will complete a Student Data Form for each recipient and forward to the *State Employees' Credit Union Foundation* on or before the deadline established each year.

Funds will be forwarded to the community college financial aid office. Funds will be made payable to the local Community College on behalf of the student and applied to the student's account to pay tuition, books, fees, course supplies and transportation. Excess funds may be distributed to the student.

The Community College will also collect fiscal and student progress/completion information and provide a report to the *State Employees' Credit Union Foundation* semi-annually as each recipient is enrolled full-time for the Fall and Spring semesters. Recipients of the scholarships consent to the release of their names and images for publications of the System Office, the local Community College, and/or the *State Employees' Credit Union and its Foundation*.

Each community college will select students who best exemplify the credit union philosophy of "People Helping People". There is no formal application process. Information for the scholarship is available through the financial aid office. The Scholarship Selection Committee will collect required information and complete the Student Data/Media Consent Form (*attached*), and send that information to the SECU Foundation by **Friday, August 18, 2017**.

Scholarships are not transferable to another student or another school.

A representative(s) of the local *State Employees' Credit Union* will be invited to the College to present a letter of award to the recipients at the College's recognition programs.

SECU Foundation
Two-Year Scholarship Program
For NC Community Colleges

2017 STUDENT DATA FORM			
(No Application Required)			
Complete <u>All Information</u> on this Form			
Full Name of Recipient			
Home Address			
Social Security #			
Permanent Email		Home Telephone #	
Name of Community College			
Community College Address			
Community College President			
Email Address		Telephone #	
Financial Aid Director			
Email Address		Telephone #	
Date of Awards Ceremony			
Location of Awards Ceremony			

- Must Attach:** Brief Statement of Student’s awards/accomplishments and Bio (*to be released to local media*)
- Student Photo
- Brief Statement from Selection Committee (on school letterhead signed by chairperson of committee) to verify choice

SECU Foundation will confirm receipt of attached information.

SECU Foundation
 PO Box 25966
 Raleigh, NC 27611
SECUFoundation@ncsecu.org

SECU Foundation and the State Employees' Credit Union may use photographs, slides, videos, or illustrations of students in newsletters/publications produced by SECU, in slide presentations, videos, and/or web sites about the scholarships, by the news media in SECU Foundation news coverage, in video productions aired on television produced by the SECU, and in other similar forms of communication. Local media (TV, newspaper, radio stations) frequently want to interview students to add a personal touch to stories. Students' comments may be used in newspapers or broadcast on radio or TV.

_____ I give permission to the SECU Foundation, State Employees' Credit Union or the news media to use photographs, slides, videos, illustrations, or interviews without inspecting or approving the finished product or its specific use.

Student's Signature: _____

George W. Ballard Memorial Scholarship Eligibility Criteria

One scholarship, granting a maximum of ninety percent (90%) of full-time tuition, excluding books and fees will be provided to eligible students. The funds may be distributed equally in two payments: fall semester and spring semester. Scholarship checks will be issued to the college. The North Carolina Community College System Office will notify and award the designated institution. To qualify as a candidate for the George W. Ballard Memorial Scholarship, a student must meet the following criteria:

1. Be personally eligible for in-state tuition.
2. Be enrolled (or must intend to enroll) in the Air Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration curriculum at a North Carolina Community College.
3. Submit an essay stating why he/she chose the field of study and how the scholarship will help them financially attain their educational goal.
4. Maintain a cumulative grade point average at or above the level required for graduation.
5. Continue for the duration of the scholarship at the college where he/she was enrolled at the time of the scholarship award.

Responsibility of the College

1. Colleges will submit application(s) to the North Carolina Community College System Office. The individual recipient of the scholarship will be selected by a scholarship committee at the North Carolina Community College System Office from the applications received. This committee will include a member of the Ballard family.
2. Have a press release about the recipient on the campus website and submitted to the local media and provide the press release to the Ballard family.

The candidates for the scholarship shall be selected and the scholarship awarded without regard to race, sex, color, creed, religious preference, age, national origin or disability. The individual recipient of the scholarship will be selected each year from the group of applicants meeting the above criteria. Other factors to be considered in the selection process will include, but will not be limited to: scholastic achievement, participation in extracurricular activities, and a demonstrated interest in working in the field of study.

Submit application selections to:

Monty Hickman, Associate Director for Enrollment Management

5016 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-5016

Email: hickmanm@ncccommunitycolleges.edu

Telephone: (919) 807-7195 Fax: (919) 807-7173

**George W. Ballard Memorial Scholarship
Application**

Please type or print your information

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION:

Full Name: _____

Student ID Number: _____

Home Address: _____
City State Zip Code

Telephone number: _____

E-mail address: _____

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:

Community College where you are currently enrolled or plan to attend: _____

Field of Study and Degree, Certificate, or Diploma being pursued: _____

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

Place an "X" in every applicable financing method you use to pursue your education.

- College Work Study
- Family assistance
- Full-time work
- Loan
- Part-time work
- Pell Grant
- Personal Savings
- Scholarship
- Other

SCHOLARSHIPS ESSAY:

Please briefly answer the following essay questions on a separate sheet of paper. Please type your responses to the essay.

- Why should you be considered for this scholarship?
- How will this scholarship help you financially achieve your educational goal?
- Why you have chosen your current field of study?
- What activities have you been involved in your community?

REFERENCE:

Please provide one reference from an instructor on your campus or a current teacher if you are not currently enrolled. Use the format below. Please print or type information.

**GEORGE W. BALLARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Reference Form**

Reference name: _____

Title: _____

Position: _____

Student name: _____

Date: _____

Please state why the above student should be considered for this scholarship.

Application deadlines: Fall – Wednesday, September 13, 2017

Return Applications to Financial Aid Administrator at the college where you are attending or to the college where you plan to attend. Selection will be determined by Financial Aid Administer or selection committee.

FA Administrator Signature

Date

Allen Ryan Todd Scholarship Eligibility Criteria

Family Statement: The Allen Ryan Todd Scholarship was established to honor the life and enthusiasm for learning of Allen Ryan Todd. The scholarship symbolizes his family's belief that we are here not just to further our own ends, but also to contribute to a larger purpose. In that spirit, scholarship, service, and a desire to help other committed individuals are crucial elements. Recipients of this scholarship will demonstrate merit and commitment to further their education and honoring the memory of Allen Ryan Todd.

Available are two (2) scholarships valued at \$1,660.00. The funds will be distributed in two payments **per recipient:** fall semester \$415, and spring semester \$415. Scholarship checks will be issued to the college in the name of the recipient. To qualify as a recipient for the Allen Ryan Todd Scholarship, an applicant must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a resident of a North Carolina.
2. Be enrolled (or must intend to enroll) in an Associate Degree program in education, health or environmental science at a North Carolina Community College.
3. Be a motivated, capable learner who has a demonstrated economic need.
4. Submit an essay specifying a chosen field of study and explain how the scholarship will help the applicant achieve his/her goal. A statement of how his/her goals honor the values modeled in the life of Allen Ryan Todd.
5. Maintain a grade point average at or above the level required for graduation.
6. Continue enrollment for the duration of the scholarship at the college where he/she was enrolled at the time of the scholarship award.
7. The recipient(s) must show documentation that they have volunteered in the intended field of study to be considered for this scholarship. Documentation must be within the past year.

The recipients of the scholarship will be selected each year by a scholarship committee at the North Carolina Community College System Office. Factors to be considered in the selection process will include, but will not be limited to, scholastic achievement, participation in outside activities, and a demonstrated commitment to the students' chosen disciplines: Education, Health, or Environmental Science.

The Todd family and supporters hope recipients will regard this scholarship as an obligation to make the most of their career goals and as an opportunity to help others. We are looking for students who will model scholarship, leadership, and service in their own lives and serve as good models for future recipients of this financial aid. While we cannot always "pay it back," we can "pay it forward." We wish to support those who subscribe to this philosophy.

Submit application selections to:

Monty Hickman, Associate Director for Enrollment Management

5016 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-5016

Email: hickmanm@nccommunitycolleges.edu

Telephone: (919) 807-7195

Fax: (919) 807-7173

**Allen Ryan Todd Scholarship
Application**

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION:

Full Name: _____

Social Security number: _____ (last four digits only)

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone number (Area Code): _____

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:

Community College where you are currently enrolled or plan to attend: _____

Field of Study and Degree, Certificate, or Diploma being pursued: _____

If you are receiving financial aid, please list the type of aid (Pell Grant, Loan, etc.):

EDUCATIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Please briefly describe any activities in your community in which you have been involved beyond your academic studies; i.e., awards, special programs or any other educational accomplishments:

EDUCATIONAL GOALS: *(Use a separate sheet and attach to application)*

Please write no more than a one-page essay stating why you have chosen this field of study and how this scholarship will help you achieve your educational goal

ESSAY QUESTION: **(On a separate sheet of paper (Print or type)**

Allen Ryan Todd was a searcher, one who truly cared about learning. He also cared about people, especially those who needed help and hope. In that spirit, tell the committee why you feel that you qualify for the memorial scholarship bearing his name.

Application deadlines: Fall – Wednesday, September 13, 2017

Return Applications to Financial Aid Administrator at the college where you are attending or to the college where you plan to attend. Selection will be determined by Financial Aid Administer or selection committee.

FA Administrator Signature

Date



NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

James C. Williamson, Ph. D.

President

Memorandum

Date: August 14, 2017

To: Financial Aid Directors

From: Monty Hickman, Associate Director
Enrollment Management

Subject: **Consent Form**

To adhere to the Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, please ask each scholarship recipient to complete the Consent Form for your records. You are welcome to use a Consent Form employed by your college.

Thank you!

Consent Form

I hereby authorize _____ Community College and the North Carolina Community College System to share my name and address with one another and to release my name and address to _____ (scholarship sponsor) and the news media if I am awarded the _____ Scholarship.

I understand that the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 may prevent any disclosure of this information if I chose not to execute this release.

Recipient's Signature

Date

**Scholarships Reimbursement Request Form
Fall 2016 Semester ONLY**

NOTE: Forms must be submitted no later than, Friday, September 15, 2017

Name of College: _____

Phone number: _____

Name of Scholarship: _____

Signature of Financial Aid Administrator: _____

Date: _____

Student Information

Student Name: _____

Student Complete Address: _____

City, State Zip Code

Major: _____

Current Semester Credit Hours: _____

Race: _____

Grade Point Average: _____

Amount Awarded: _____

**Scholarships Reimbursement Request Form
Spring 2016 Semester ONLY**

NOTE: Forms must be submitted no later than Friday, February 16, 2018

Name of College: _____

Phone number: _____

Name of Scholarship: _____

Signature of Financial Aid Administrator: _____

Date: _____

Student Information

Student Name: _____

Student Complete Address: _____

City, State Zip Code

Major: _____

Current Semester Credit Hours: _____

Race: _____

Grade Point Average: _____

Amount Awarded: _____

**Scholarships Reimbursement Request
Recipient Change Form**

Scholarship: _____

College: _____

Financial Aid Administrator signature: _____

Date: _____

Explanation for change: _____

Originally Awarded to:

Changed to:

Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

Last 4 Digits of SS#: _____

Last 4 Digits of SS#: _____

Curriculum: _____

Curriculum: _____

Race: _____

Race: _____

Amount Awarded: _____

Amount Awarded: _____

Semester: _____

Semester: _____

**Progress Report on Scholarships Recipient Form
August 2017- June 2018**

Name of College: _____

Date: _____

Financial Aid Administrator: _____

Student Information

Student Name: _____

Scholarship: _____

Curriculum (Title and Code): _____

Enrollment Status (yes or no): _____

Graduation Date: _____

Grade Point Average: _____

Graduate Status Employment: _____

Transfer: _____