



**North Carolina Community College System**  
**2022-23**  
**SCHOLARSHIP GUIDE**

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**An Informational Guide Including**  
**Eligibility Criteria and Guidelines**  
**for Scholarship Administration**

Provided by the  
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# Preface

The North Carolina Community College System Office presents ***the 2022-2023 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. This guide is for informational purposes and may not contain a complete listing of all scholarships for students attending NC community colleges.

Financial aid administrators are encouraged to review the guide and share the information with others on their campus. Applications may be copied and distributed to students for completion. All applications should be submitted to NCCCS by a college representative

Financial aid administrators, business officers and other college personnel are encouraged to use this guide to market and promote scholarships to students seeking resources to meet their educational aspirations.

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 Include:**

1. Advertise and promote the availability of scholarship programs and coordinate publicity efforts in its service area.
2. Have an existing scholarship committee select recipients and alternates based on specific scholarship criteria.
3. Submit student information on the templates or surveys provided by the NC Community College System Office as requested to meet the deadline.
4. Notify recipient(s) of the scholarship(s) award.
5. Notify NCCCS of scholarship recipients who did not enroll, withdrew, or otherwise did not meet eligibility requirements for the award. NCCCS will inform if the funds should be returned including how to return funds.
6. Notify NCCCS of a student's enrollment and eligibility as required and for disbursement of scholarship funds.
7. Return funds for the **NC Community Colleges Foundation Scholarship for Health Careers** and **Wells Fargo Technical Scholarship** program to

NC Community College System Office  
Attn: NCCCS Foundation  
5013 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 67699-5013

8. Return funds for the **NC Targeted Assistance and Less Than Half-Time Grant** program to:

NC Community College System Office  
Attn: Budget Officer - Business & Finance  
5013 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-5013

### **The Responsibilities of the System Office Include:**

1. Maintain a master list of the scholarship recipients from the 58 community colleges for some scholarship and grant programs for reporting purposes and/or as required.
2. Submit request to Business/Finance or Foundation any request to submit checks or electronic transfer of scholarship funds to the college's Business and Finance or Financial Aid Office.
3. Submit to each private or corporate sponsor a list of the scholarship recipients each semester.
4. Assist each college in administering scholarship programs.

## **North Carolina Community College Grant and Education Lottery Scholarship Programs**

### **The North Carolina Community College Grant and Education Lottery Scholarship**

The State Board of Community Colleges approves the NC Community College Grant and NC Education Lottery Scholarship payment schedule. The NC Community College System Office will notify and provide the NC Community College Grant Program Payment Schedule to Financial Aid Administrators annually.

#### **Background**

The NC Community College Grant program is designed to complement grants provided through the federal Pell Grant and NC Education Lottery Scholarship programs. The NC Community College Grant is a state scholarship designed for students whose Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) ranges from \$1501 - \$8500. The NC Education Lottery Scholarship is a state scholarship designed for students whose federal Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) ranges from \$2301- \$5000.

For NCCCG and NCELS, students must demonstrate financial need to qualify. The amount of the award for each program is based on the EFC extracted from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

#### **Eligibility**

- NCCCG and NCELS will be awarded to students whose federal EFC ranges from \$1301-8500 and is subject to fund availability.
- For full-time students with an EFC equal to or less than \$8501, the combination of federal Pell Grant, NCCCG and NCELS will provide an amount based on an approved payment schedule provided to colleges each year.
- NCCCG and NCELS awards are pro-rated for students who attend three-quarter or half-time. Students who enroll less than half-time are not eligible for these grant or scholarship programs.

#### **Student Eligibility:**

- Be admitted into a curriculum program and enrolled at least half-time each semester.
- Be a NC resident as determined by Residency Determination Service (RDS).
- Have completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Meet eligibility requirements including EFC.
- Meet all other eligibility requirements for the Federal Pell Grant.

Financial aid administrators will certify eligibility of their students and reconcile the program. NCSEAA will provide a report to the NCCCS on these programs. The State Board of Community Colleges contracts with the NC State Education Assistance Authority (NCSEAA) to administer this program. Procedures are developed by NCSEAA and NCCCS.

## Targeted Assistance and Less Than Half-Time Grant Program

The State Board of Community Colleges approves college allocations for the NC Targeted Assistance and Less Than Half-Time Grant programs at an amount not to exceed \$550,000. The State Board of Community Colleges 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 and should award available funding to eligible students until funds have been expended.

### A. Policies for the Targeted Assistance Program

1. The State Board of Community Colleges may approve and allocate a percentage of the funds appropriated for financial assistance for community college students who enroll in low enrollment programs that prepare students for high-demand occupations. The actual amount of funds allocated may be adjusted annually, based upon availability of funding in the NC Community College Grant Program.
2. Colleges shall identify programs with enrollment that is substantially less than program capacities but are in high demand regarding employees needed in those service area labor forces and determine the ratio for distribution of funds to programs.
3. 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.
4. Students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be eligible for this need based financial assistance.
5. 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 or research performance management department.
6. Colleges will report to the System Office **by the end of July** each year the student's name, amount of award, semester of award, program of study, total amount of funds expended, and total amount of unexpended funds returned to the System Office. Colleges may be asked to provide additional information if requested.
7. The System Office will report each year in November the number of student awards, total amount of awards to students and total amount of unexpended funds to the State Board of Community Colleges.

## **B. Policies for Less Than Half-Time Grant**

1. The State Board of Community Colleges may approve and allocate funding to colleges to provide need-based assistance to students enrolled less than half-time in certificate, diploma, or associate degree programs.
2. Students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be qualified for this need-based grant. Students enrolled in a non-Title IV eligible certificate (a program that does not meet the U.S. Dept. of Education's standards for Title IV eligibility) may qualify for these funds.
3. Qualified students enrolled less than half-time may be eligible for \$76 per credit hour for a maximum of \$380.
4. Funds allocated to the community colleges includes a base rate plus a percentage as determined by the colleges' Pell Grant funds awarded and listed in the most recent final NCHED A-10 report of the community college system data warehouse or research performance management department.
5. Colleges will report to the System Office **by the end of July** each year, the student's name, amount of award, semester of award, program of study, total amount of funds expended, and total amount of unexpended funds returned to the System Office. Colleges may be asked to provide additional information if requested.
6. The System Office will report each year in November the total number of student awards, total amount of funds awarded, and the total amount of unexpended funds to the State Board of Community Colleges.
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The 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 students enrolled in at least 9-11 credit hours (3/4 time) with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 enrolled in the second year of an eligible Allied Health program at a community college.

All applicants must complete the Free Application of Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). NCCCS Foundation may award \$1,000 scholarships for \$500 each semester. Scholarships for the spring semester will be disbursed after enrollment and good academic standing has been verified.

Scholarship recipients will be selected by a committee of NC Community College representatives. The committee will consider financial need, academic performance, and personal commitment to the health profession.

The chair of the college's Allied Health Department or representative should complete the general scholarship application for the recommended student and submit it to the Financial Aid Office. The deadline to submit the North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation Scholarship application and essay no later than **Friday, September 23, 2022.**

**Additional Applicant Requirements:**

**Provide 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 include essay with application.**

**Transcripts/test reports:** Please include a transcript from the community college in which student is enrolled. An unofficial transcript is acceptable.

**Health Careers Programs (Note: this is not a comprehensive list of all acceptable health careers programs to be considered for the scholarship program).**

- Associate Degree Nursing
- Dental Hygiene
- Emergency Medical Science
- Health Information Technology
- Medical Assisting
- Medical Laboratory Technology
- Pharmacy Technology
- Physical Therapist Assistant
- Respiratory Therapy
- Veterinary Medical Technology

## Wells Fargo Technical Scholarship Program Eligibility Criteria

The Wells Fargo Technical Scholarship provides \$500 to student(s) enrolled in the second year of a two-year technical or educational program. The NCCCS Foundation provides a \$500 scholarship check to all 58 NC community colleges to assist students.

### Student Eligibility Requirements Include:

- Enrolled full-time in the second year of a two-year educational or technical program.
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to demonstrate need.
- Demonstrate scholastic promise; meet satisfactory academic progress standards.
- Use the scholarship to pay for tuition, books, and/or transportation.

### College Requirements:

- College may establish a committee to select the recipient(s) of the Wells Fargo Technical Scholarship.
- College should award the scholarship equally by term (i.e., \$250 for fall semester and \$250 for spring semester).
- College may select an alternate for the scholarship in the event the recipient graduates, withdraws, is not making satisfactory progress or otherwise does not meet the conditions of the scholarship.
- College should return unexpended scholarship funds to:  
NCCCS Foundation  
Post Office Box 5016  
Raleigh, NC 27699
- Colleges may be asked to provide a report for the NCCCS Foundation to include student(s) name, amount of award and program of study as requested **by the end of July** each year.

## Rodney B. Powell Memorial Scholarship Eligibility Criteria

One of more scholarship 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/electronic 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/electronic technology trade in their community.

**NOTE:** Colleges should return all completed applications to NCCCS **by September 16, 2022**. Applications will be submitted to the Powers Career Program (Fossil Generation) 7001 Pinecrest Road, Raleigh, NC 27612 for review and selection.

### **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 must be enrolled or intend to enroll in an electrical or electronics technology program.

**Identifying Information:**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Partial Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ XXX – XX - \_\_\_\_\_ (last four digits only)

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City & State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**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 (double-spaced, 12-point font) 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.

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Application deadline: **Friday, September 16, 2022**

Return Applications to Financial Aid Administrator at the college where you are attending or to the college where you plan to attend. Financial Aid Administrators should return application to the System Office. NCCCS will submit applications to the Powers Career Program (Fossil Generation), 7001 Pinecrest Road, Raleigh, NC 27612.

Financial Aid Administrator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## George W. Ballard Memorial Scholarship Eligibility Criteria

One scholarship at \$500 for 2 years for students attending Guilford Technical Community College, Gaston Community College, or Alamance Community College and enrolling in a curriculum program. The funds may be distributed equally in two payments: \$250 for the fall semester and \$250 for the spring semester. Scholarship checks will be issued to the college. NCCCS will notify and send scholarship funds the designated institution. To qualify as a candidate for the George W. Ballard Memorial Scholarship, a student must meet the following criteria:

### **Eligibility Requirements Include:**

1. Be an in-state resident.
2. Be enrolled (or must intend to enroll) in the Air Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration curriculum at a NC community college.
3. Submit an essay stating why the field of study is important and how the scholarship will help 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.

### **Application Process:**

1. Students will complete the college's general scholarship application and submit it to the college's Financial Aid Office.
2. The college's Financial Aid Office will submit completed applications and essays to the System Office by **Friday, September 16, 2022**.
3. Student scholarship essay should be typed and include:
  - o Why should you be considered for this scholarship?
  - o How will this scholarship help you achieve your educational goal?
  - o Why have you chosen your current field of study?
  - o Any community involvement activities. If so, please identify the activities and your level of involvement.
4. The recipient(s) of the scholarship will be selected by a scholarship committee at the NC Community College System Office.

The candidates for this scholarship will be selected and awarded without regard to race, gender, color, creed, religious preference, age, national origin, or disability. The recipient of the scholarship will be selected each year from a 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.

## Allen Ryan Todd Scholarship

**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.

The Allen Ryan Todd scholarship offers two 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.

### **Student Requirements Include:**

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 NC community college.
3. Be a motivated, capable learner with demonstrated need.
4. Maintain a grade point average at or above the level required for graduation.
5. Continue enrollment for the duration of the scholarship at the college where he/she was enrolled at the time of the scholarship award.
6. 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 NCCCS. 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.*

### **Application Requirements Include:**

1. Complete the general scholarship application and submit to the Financial Aid Office by **Friday, September 16, 2022.**
2. Provide an essay including the following:
  - **Educational Accomplishments** describing 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** include a one-page essay stating why you have chosen this field of study and how this scholarship will help you achieve your educational goal.
  - **Life Purpose:** 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, include in your essay why you feel you qualify for this scholarship.

Commencing with the fall semester, recipients of the scholarships will be selected each year from students meeting the eligibility criteria at local community colleges. The college will use its Scholarship Selection Committee to select two new eligible recipient(s) each academic year. **Please note, the Scholarship Selection Committee must consist of three or more members and each member must sign the brief statement (on the respective community college's letterhead) from the committee which verifies the selection of recipients.**

The Community College will electronically submit the completed Student Data Form for selected recipients as a Word Document to SECU Foundation at [secufoundation@ncsecu.org](mailto:secufoundation@ncsecu.org) on or before the deadline established each year. Funds will be forwarded to the community college financial aid office, 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.

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 the SECU Foundation.

The Scholarship Selection Committee at each community college will select students who best exemplify the credit union philosophy of "People Helping People". Each year the Scholarship Selection Committee will select two new recipients who have not previously been awarded the SECU Foundation *People Helping People* Scholarship. Information for the scholarship is available through the financial aid office. Financial Aid Offices will provide students with the 2022 *People Helping People* Two-Year Scholarship Student Data Form, Eligibility Criteria, and SECU Foundation Consent Form. The Scholarship Selection Committee will collect required information and submit electronically to SECU Foundation at [secufoundation@ncsecu.org](mailto:secufoundation@ncsecu.org) by **August 1, 2022**.

Information to be submitted to SECU Foundation for selected recipients includes the following:

- Completed Student Data Form which includes a Student Community Involvement Essay located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Page of the Form (Submitted as Microsoft Word Document only)
- Signed and Dated SECU Foundation Consent Form

Scholarships are not transferable to another student or another school.

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

## Two-Year Scholarship Program

### For NC Community Colleges

#### 2022 Eligibility Criteria

**Recipients must receive a copy of these requirements**

**State Employee's Credit Union Foundation  
Two-Year Scholarship Program for NC Community Colleges  
Application**

*Please complete all information on this form.*

**Student Data Form Personal Information**

**Recipient First Name      Recipient Middle Name      Recipient Last Name**

**Last four Digits of Recipient's Social-Security Number**

XXX - XX- \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address**

**City & State**

**Zip Code**

**Telephone Number (Include Area Code)**

(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**GPA - Weighted**

**GPA - Unweighted**

**Email Address**

**Has the student submitted their FAFSA?**

\_\_\_\_\_ yes                      \_\_\_\_\_ no

**Demonstrated financial Need?**

**If parent/guardian works in the public sector field, which field?**

**Community College Information**

**Name of Community College**

**Address**

**City & State**

**Zip Code**

**Community College President**

**Community College President's Email**

**Date of Awards Ceremony**

**Time of Awards Ceremony**

*Please Note: Student data sheet must be returned as a Word Document only. Please email directly to [secufoundation@ncsecu.org](mailto:secufoundation@ncsecu.org).*

- **Signed Media Consent Form (Signed by Recipient and Parent/Guardian if under 18)**
- **Brief Statement from Selection Committee on school letterhead which must be signed by all members of the Committee to verify recipient. Please note, Selection Committee must have three or more members.**

**SECU Foundation**

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## Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation of North Carolina Firefighter Stipend and Scholarship Program

### Eligibility Requirements and Student Applications (Three Options)

The Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation of NC Firefighter Stipend and Scholarship Program will provide stipends of \$500 per term or scholarships up to \$1,000 per term for eligible community college students pursuing NC Firefighter Certification courses or courses leading to an eligible associate degree, as described in the [three options detailed below](#). These funds are designated to assist North Carolina fire and rescue departments with recruitment and retention of firefighters. A particular emphasis is in supporting the recruitment and training of individuals in achieving their Firefighter I & II certifications to impact the number of firefighters within the state.

This funding is available to students at 20 designated NC Community Colleges: Beaufort CC, Bladen CC, Blue Ridge CC, Caldwell CC&TI, Central Carolina CC, Cleveland CC, College of The Albemarle, Halifax CC, Isothermal CC, James Sprunt CC, Montgomery CC, Nash CC, Richmond CC, Robeson CC, Southwestern CC, Stanly CC, Surry CC, Vance-Granville CC, Wayne CC, and Wilson CC.

Each college will determine which options are available and the application processes for each. Program options are as follows: **1) BCBS Foundation Firefighter Stipends**; **2) BCBS Foundation Firefighter Scholarships to Adults**; and/or **3) BCBS Foundation Firefighter Scholarships to High School Students**. Please contact the local college financial aid office for details.

#### 1. BCBS Foundation Firefighter Stipends

##### Recruitment and retention of NC firefighters

While registration fees are waived there are significant costs associated to accessing any training including materials, travel, and personal resources. The BCBS Foundation Firefighter Stipends are intended to offset out-of-pocket expenses a student could incur in order to participate in training leading to Firefighter I & II, NC Driver/Operator Pumps, or Emergency Vehicle Driver Certifications

##### Stipend Award

- \$500 per term (must reapply each term)
  - Funds are disbursed to the student's college account to cover any expenses for the program/courses to cover instructional costs (books, materials, etc.) associated the designated fire fighter training within a NC community college. Any balance of funds will be allocated to the student.

##### Eligibility Requirements

- The student must enroll in course(s) required to achieve the NC Firefighter I & II, NC Driver/Operator Pumps, and/or Emergency Vehicle Driver certifications.

#### BCBS Foundation Firefighter Scholarships to Adults:

**Incentive to engage to advance as a firefighter with path to broader public safety career goals.**

Eligible programs: Fire Protection Technology, Public Safety Administration, Emergency Management or Emergency Medical Science curriculum associate degree programs and Workforce Continuing Education courses that tie directly to a college's approved EMS Bridge program and is specifically part of the student's pathway to EMS associate degree completion.

**Scholarship Award**

- Up to \$1,000 per term (must reapply each term)
  - Funds are disbursed to the student's account to cover any expenses for the program/courses to cover instructional costs (tuition, fees, books, materials, supplies, etc.) associated with an eligible curriculum program. Any balance of funds will be allocated to the student.

**Eligibility Requirements**

- Hold an active NC Firefighter I & II certification
- Student must successfully complete courses covered by the scholarship in any previous term to be eligible for funding in a subsequent term.

**2. BCBS Foundation Firefighter Scholarships to High School Students:**

**Incentive to engage to advance as a firefighter with path to broader public safety career goals.**

Eligible programs: Fire Protection Technology, Public Safety Administration, Emergency Management or Emergency Medical Science curriculum associate degree programs and Workforce Continuing Education courses that tie directly to a college's approved EMS Bridge program and is specifically part of the student's pathway to EMS associate degree completion.

**Scholarship Award**

- up to \$1,000 per term (must reapply each term)
  - Funds are disbursed to the student's account to cover any expenses for the program/courses to cover instructional costs (tuition, fees, books, materials, supplies, etc.) associated with an eligible curriculum program. Any balance of funds will be allocated to the student.

**Eligibility Requirements**

- Successful completion of a Career & College Promise – Workforce Continuing Education (CCP – WCE) Fire Academy pathway.
- Student must successfully complete courses covered by the scholarship in any previous term to be eligible for funding in a subsequent term.

Attachments

Form A: BCBS Foundation Firefighter Stipend Application Form

Form B: BCBS Foundation Firefighter Scholarship to Adults Application Form

Form C: BCBS Foundation Firefighter Scholarship to High School Students Application Form



### Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation Firefighter Stipend Application

Please confirm if your college is an eligible college and if it is offering this option for the term you are interested in. Return the completed application form to the college Financial Aid Office by the deadline specified by the college.

The stipend is for \$500 per term and students must reapply for each subsequent term. Funds are disbursed to the student’s college account to cover any expenses for the program/courses to cover instructional costs (books, materials, etc.) associated the designated fire fighter training within a NC community college. Any balance of funds will be allocated to the student.

The student must enroll in course(s) required to achieve the NC Firefighter I & II, NC Driver/Operator Pumps, and/or Emergency Vehicle Driver certifications to be eligible for these funds.

<b>College Name</b>	
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Student Information (please print)

<i>Full Name</i>	
<i>Home Address</i>	
<i>City/State/Zip Code</i>	
<i>Email Address</i>	
<i>Phone Number</i>	
<i>Mobile Number</i>	

**Specify Term Applying For:** \_\_\_\_\_ (Example: Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Summer 2023)

<b>List eligible course(s) student has enrolled in for the term specified above:</b>
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I have read and understand the requirements for this funding. I hereby declare that the information provided on this form is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



### Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation Firefighter Scholarship to Adults Application

Please confirm if your college is an eligible college and if it is offering this option for the term you are interested in. Return the completed application form to the college Financial Aid Office by the deadline specified by the college.

**Scholarship Award:** Up to \$1,000 per term (must reapply each term). Funds are disbursed to the student’s account to cover any expenses for the program/courses to cover instructional costs (tuition, fees, books, materials, supplies, etc.) associated with an eligible program as listed below. Any balance of funds will be allocated to the student. **Eligible programs:** Fire Protection Technology, Public Safety Administration, Emergency Management or Emergency Medical Science curriculum associate degree programs and Workforce Continuing Education courses that tie directly to a college’s approved EMS Bridging program and is specifically part of the student’s pathway to EMS associate degree completion. **Eligibility Requirements: 1)** Hold an active NC Firefighter I & II certification; **2)** Successfully complete courses covered by the scholarship in any previous term to be eligible for funding in a subsequent term.

<b>College Name</b>	
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Student Information (please print)

Full Name	
Home Address	
City/State/Zip Code	
Email Address	
Phone Number	
Mobile Number	

**Specify Term Applying For:** \_\_\_\_\_ (Example: Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Summer 2023)

<b>List eligible course(s)/associated degree program student has enrolled in for the term specified:</b>

I have provided evidence that I have an active Firefighter I&II certification.

If I was awarded this scholarship in the past, I have provided evidence of successfully completing previous courses.

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

**Applicant Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation Firefighter Scholarship to High School Students Application

Please confirm if your college is an eligible college and if it is offering this option for the term you are interested in. Return the completed application form to the college Financial Aid Office by the deadline specified by the college.

**Scholarship Award:** Up to \$1,000 per term (must reapply each term). Funds are disbursed to the student’s account to cover any expenses for the program/courses to cover instructional costs (tuition, fees, books, materials, supplies, etc.) associated with an eligible program as listed below. Any balance of funds will be allocated to the student. **Eligible programs:** Fire Protection Technology, Public Safety Administration, Emergency Management or Emergency Medical Science curriculum associate degree programs and Workforce Continuing Education courses that tie directly to a college’s approved EMS Bridging program and is specifically part of the student’s pathway to EMS associate degree completion. **Eligibility Requirements:** 1) Successful completion of a Career & College Promise – Workforce Continuing Education (CCP – WCE) Fire Academy pathway; and 2) Successfully complete courses covered by the scholarship in any previous term to be eligible for funding in a subsequent term.

<b>College Name</b>	
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Student Information (please print)

<i>Full Name</i>	
<i>Home Address</i>	
<i>City/State/Zip Code</i>	
<i>Email Address</i>	
<i>Phone Number</i>	
<i>Mobile Number</i>	

**Specify Term Applying For:** \_\_\_\_\_ (Example: Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Summer 2023)

<b>List eligible course(s)/associated degree program student has enrolled in for the term specified:</b>

I have provided evidence that I have successfully completed a WCE CCP Fire Academy Pathway.

If I was awarded this scholarship in the past, I have provided evidence of successfully completing previous courses.

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

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**Applicant’s Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Date**



## Samuel M Taylor Memorial Life Sciences Scholarship

The Samuel M. Taylor Memorial Life Sciences Scholarship was established in memory of Sam Taylor, a founder and president of NC BIO, the trade association for life science companies in North Carolina. Sam was passionate about North Carolina's life sciences industry and served at NC BIO's helm for more than 25 years. He was instrumental in the establishment of the NC BioImpact training program to support the growth of biopharma manufacturing in our state and ensure training opportunities for North Carolinians seeking a career in the industry. BioNetwork, the life science training initiative of the North Carolina Community College System, is a key member of the NC BioImpact collaborative. To learn more, visit: [www.ncbionetwork.org/sam-taylor-scholarship](http://www.ncbionetwork.org/sam-taylor-scholarship)

### Student Eligibility Requirements

Qualifying applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be residents of **North Carolina** and eligible for in-state tuition.
- Be enrolled in life science courses in a qualifying program.
- Maintain a cumulative grade point average at or above the level required for graduation.
- Continue enrollment for the duration of the scholarship at the college where they were enrolled at the time of the scholarship award.
- Complete the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** at [www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov)
- Complete the **NC Community Colleges General Scholarship Application** form.
- Submit an essay explaining your interest in the life science field of study, your goals after graduation, and how the scholarship will help you financially.
- Scholarship application deadlines will be announced annually.

\*Preference may be given to students with limited financial aid from other programs.

Scholarship applications should be submitted to the student's local community college financial aid office by July 16<sup>th</sup>. The financial aid office will submit all applications to the NC Community College System. Recipients of the scholarships will be selected each year by the scholarship committee of the North Carolina Community College System along with two individuals designated by NC BIO. Factors considered in the selection process include but are not limited to financial need, scholarship achievement, designated goals, and demonstrated interest in pursuing a life science career in North Carolina. Scholarship candidates shall be selected and the scholarships awarded without regard to race, gender, color, creed, religious preference, age, national origin.



North Carolina Community College

### Short-Term Workforce Development (STWD) Grant Program

The Short-Term Workforce Development (STWD) Grant Program, established by [Session Law 2021-180](#), is a state-funded financial aid program for eligible Workforce Continuing Education (WCE) students pursuing high-demand, family-sustaining wage credentials identified as N.C. Workforce Credentials at either the Essential or Career level. These credential pathways may consist of a single WCE course or a series of courses. The list of eligible credentials is available at <https://nccareers.org/credentials>.

#### Use of Scholarship Funds

Scholarship awards are determined by each college based on student needs, local industry needs, number of eligible students, and cost of course, up to a maximum of \$750 per course. The scholarships help cover the cost of tuition, fees, books, supplies, credentialing tests, transportation, childcare, and other components of the total cost of attendance.

#### Student Eligibility Requirements

At a minimum, eligible students applying for this scholarship must be:

- 1) A resident of North Carolina
  - a. As required by [Session Law 2021-180](#) Section 6.6. (c), eligible students must establish residency under the criteria outlined in [G.S. 116-143.1](#) following the coordinated and centralized residency determination process administered by the State Education Assistance Authority known as the [NC Residency Determination Service \(RDS\)](#).
- 2) A Student enrolling in Workforce Continuing Education (WCE) pathways/courses leading to an N.C. Workforce Credential identified as either Essential or Career level. These pathways may consist of a single WCE course or a series of courses. The list of eligible credentials is available at <https://nccareers.org/credentials>.

#### Application Process

- Students will complete the STWD Grant application for the targeted academic year.
- Applications are filed with the college Financial Aid office, Workforce Continuing Education department, or another college-designated office.
- Applicants bear full responsibility for completing the STWD Grant application before the deadline established by the local college.
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**North Carolina Community Colleges  
Short-Term Workforce Development (STWD) Grant  
2022-2023 Student Application**

**Instructions:** Complete this application and return the completed application to the college’s Financial Aid Office or Workforce Continuing Education Department.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

At a minimum, eligible students applying for this grant must be:

- 1) A resident of North Carolina as outlined in [G.S. 116-143.1](#) and following the coordinated and centralized residency determination process administered by the State Education Assistance Authority known as [NC Residency Determination Service \(RDS\)](#).
- 2) A Student enrolling in Workforce Continuing Education (WCE) pathways/course(s) leading to an N.C. Workforce Credential identified as either Essential or Career Level. These pathways may consist of a single WCE course or a series of courses. The list of eligible credentials is available at <https://nccareers.org/credentials>.

**Applicant Information:**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_, State: \_\_, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (xxx) xxx-xxxx Mobile Number: (xxx) xxx-xxxx

**Residency Determination:**

Before submitting this application, you must complete residency determination via <https://ncresidency.cfnc.org/residencyInfo/> and be determined to be a resident of North Carolina. Upon completing this step, you will be provided a Residency Certification Number (“RCN”), which must be provided below.

**Residency Certification Number (“RCN”):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Education Program Information:**

College Attending/Enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_

NC Workforce Credential pursuing: \_\_\_\_\_

Course(s) in which you plan to enroll or are already registered:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., CJC-3938 Basic Law Enforcement Training)
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Application Attestation:**

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

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_





## **The Golden LEAF Community College Scholarship 2022-2023 Eligibility Guidelines and Student Application**

The Golden LEAF Foundation makes scholarships available to students from qualifying counties, who demonstrate financial need, to help them attend college at participating North Carolina community colleges. Golden LEAF's goal is for scholarship recipients to gain the talent, knowledge, and skills needed to help their communities thrive.

**The Golden LEAF Community College Scholarship** provides scholarships of up to \$2,250 annually to curriculum students and up to \$1850 annually to workforce continuing education students. Scholarship funds can be used to cover the cost of attendance, which includes items such as tuition, fees, books, supplies, credentialing tests, transportation, and childcare.

### **NCCCS Requirements Include:**

- To notify the colleges of their allocation of scholarship funds, including acceptable uses of the funds.
- To market and promote the scholarship and provide an annual student application to the colleges.
- To monitor the implementation of the program for compliance with program guidelines, including monitoring the scholarship awards made by colleges, transmitting funds to colleges, requesting funding from the Golden LEAF Foundation, and reporting to the Golden LEAF Foundation regarding scholarships awarded and project activities and outcomes.
- To notify colleges and provide a warning that failure to use at least 50% of allocated funds may result in a reduction in funding or suspension from participating in the program.
- To determine the timeline for reduction and reallocation of scholarship funds and notify colleges of the timeline and reallocations.
- To work closely with colleges and provide professional development and training opportunities to financial aid administrators.

### **College Requirements Include:**

- To announce and promote the Golden LEAF Community College Scholarship program to students.
- College financial aid or designated office will determine application procedures including deadlines for submission.
- Comply with scholarship guidelines, including awarding scholarships only to eligible students, in eligible amounts, and for eligible purposes.
- College financial aid or designated office will maintain student applications for curriculum and continuing education students.

- Perform monthly reconciliation practices with Business Office to balance student award transmittals with college expenditures.
- Provide student directory information at the end of each term to match with college Business Office expenditures.
- Provide supporting documentation and/or proof of eligibility at the time of initial award if a student moves to a county that is not listed as a qualifying county according to the Golden LEAF Foundation.
- Award at least 25% of the college's available allocation to CE students, with the balance available to CU students.
  - NOTE: a college may award more than 25% to CE students. The percentage breakdown can be found on the Golden LEAF Available Award Budget for the targeted year.
- Complete and return a signed statement of non-participation in the scholarship program, if the college chooses to opt out of the program. NCCCS will provide the form and deadline for submission. Colleges that do not choose to opt out are automatically included in the program.

### **Student Eligibility Requirements**

- Eligible students must (1) be a North Carolina resident, (2) demonstrate financial need, and (3) reside in a qualifying Golden LEAF County (see Qualifying Counties for 2022-2023). A scholarship recipient who resides in an eligible county upon initial award may retain eligibility and may be eligible for renewal awards if the student's place of residence is within the state of North Carolina.
  - NOTE: The college may be asked to provide proof of the student's county of residency at the time of initial award.
- Eligible students may receive an award each year. Financial aid offices will determine their application procedures for making awards for subsequent terms and should consider whether students are making reasonable progress towards completing their course of study. Students must disclose all financial aid for award packaging to prevent an over-award. The Golden LEAF Community College Scholarship will not displace federal grants for which the student may be eligible. The scholarship may displace loans.

### **Curriculum Student Selection Criteria**

Eligible students must:

- (1) Be a resident of North Carolina,
- (2) Reside in a qualifying Golden LEAF county, (see Qualifying Counties list for 2022-23 <https://scholars.goldenleaf.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Golden-LEAF-Scholarship-Qualifying-Counties-6.22.pdf>).
- (3) Enrolled full-time to receive the maximum award, and
  - a. Although scholarships may be awarded on an annual basis, the maximum award per semester is \$1,125. Scholarships for students enrolled less than full-time may be prorated based on hours of enrollment and pending availability of funds. Enrollment in six credit hours is required in summer to be eligible for the scholarship.
- (4) Demonstrate financial need as determined by completion of the FAFSA.

### **Workforce Continuing Education Student Eligibility**

Eligible students must:

- (1) Be a resident of North Carolina,
- (2) Reside in a qualifying Golden LEAF County, (see Qualifying Counties list for 2022-23: <https://scholars.goldenleaf.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Golden-LEAF-Scholarship-Qualifying-Counties-6.22.pdf>).
- (3) Be enrolled in Workforce Continuing Education (WCE) pathway/course offering at least 96 contact hours and leading to a state or industry-recognized credential, and
  - a. Eligible course codes are included in the Combined Course Library and may consist of a single WCE course or a series of courses found here: <https://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/academic-programs/combined-course-library>. The maximum award per semester is \$925; and
- (4) Demonstrate financial need as determined by the college.

### **CU Scholarship Awarding Format Sample:**

Colleges may select students to receive up to \$2,250 in awards for the academic year. For example, a student may be awarded \$1,000 in the fall, \$1,000 in the spring, and \$250 in the summer for a total of \$2250.

Another example: a student may be awarded \$1125 in the fall semester and \$1125 in the spring semester for a total of \$2250.

If a college awards the scholarship for the academic year and the student fails to enroll in an upcoming semester, the unexpended funds may be awarded to another student. For example, if a student is awarded \$2,250 for the fall and spring, but enrolls for only halftime for the spring semester, the award may be prorated for the spring to \$563. The remaining \$562 may be awarded to another student.

For students enrolled less than full-time, the scholarship may be prorated based on the number of credit hours enrolled and pending the availability of funds.

NOTE: These are examples ONLY. Colleges may establish award strategies that meet the needs of the students and the institution subject to the maximum award amounts. Colleges may award scholarships for less than the maximum award amount.

### **CE Scholarship Awarding Format Sample:**

Colleges may select students to receive up to \$1850 and must award according to the curriculum semester(s) as set up in Colleague for fall, spring and summer. For example, a student may be awarded \$925 in the fall (based on a CU term beginning in August) and \$925 in the spring (based on a CU term beginning **or** continuing in January) for continuing education students. If a course begins in December, the scholarship should be awarded in the fall semester.

Another example: a student may be awarded \$625 in the fall (based on a CU term beginning in August), \$625 in the spring (based on a CU term beginning **OR** continuing

in January) and \$600 in the summer (based on a CU term that beginning OR continuing in May) for a total of \$1850 for continuing education students.

NOTE: These are examples ONLY. Colleges may establish award strategies that meet the needs of the students and the institution. Colleges may award scholarships for less than the maximum award amount.

### **Application Process**

- NCCCS will promote and market the scholarship among the local community colleges to help the students understand and recognize the mission of Golden LEAF.
- Students should complete the Golden LEAF Community College Scholarship application for the targeted academic year. Applications will be filed with the college financial aid offices, the Workforce Continuing Education department, or another office designated by the college.
- Timing for the selection process is determined by the award policies and procedures of each college. Financial aid offices will work with Workforce Continuing Education departments to determine the awards periods for those students.
- Applicants bear full responsibility for completing the Golden LEAF application prior to any deadline the college has established.
- Financial aid offices will disburse awards and maintain applications for the scholarship recipients.
- Financial aid offices will provide a list of selected recipients including name, amount, address, county of residence, phone, and email to NCCCS.

**This program is funded by the Golden LEAF Foundation.**



**North Carolina Community Colleges  
Golden LEAF Community College Scholarship  
2022-2023 Student Application**

**Instructions:** Complete this application and return the completed application to the college's Financial Aid Office, or the office designated by the college. Eligible students must reside in a qualifying Golden LEAF County.

**Personal Information:**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

NC County of residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of residence in county: \_\_\_\_ 1 yr. or less \_\_\_\_ at least 5 yrs. \_\_\_\_ more than 5 yrs.  
**(To be eligible for an initial scholarship award, your permanent residence must be a qualifying Golden LEAF County).**

**Educational Information:**

Community college you are attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Curriculum program you are enrolled in: \_\_\_\_\_

Workforce Continuing Education course/program you are enrolled in: \_\_\_\_\_

**(Must be enrolled in a credentialing program/course of at least 96 hours)**

**Other Information:**

Have members of your immediate family worked for or owned a farming or agricultural related business? \_\_\_\_ 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 or transitioned from full-time to part-time employment in the past two years? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

**NOTE:** To be eligible for this scholarship, students must demonstrate need. For curriculum students, completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is required. For continuing education students, colleges will establish practices for determining need for this scholarship.

**Applicant Certification:**

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

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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



North Carolina Community Colleges
2022-2023 Student General Application

Instructions: Complete this application and return it to your college's Financial Aid Office. Include all supporting documentation for the scholarship you are applying for.

Name Scholarship Applying For:

\_\_\_\_\_

Personal Information:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

NC County of residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of residence in county: \_\_\_less than 5 years \_\_\_5 – 10 years \_\_\_more than 10 years
(Note: some scholarships require residency in an approved NC county.)

Educational Information: (Please Note: Workforce Continuing Education students may not qualify for all scholarships.)

- College you are attending: \_\_\_\_\_
Type of education program in which you are enrolled. Please chose one:
Curriculum Program of Study: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_
Workforce Continuing Education (Must enroll in a credentialing program of at least 96 hours).

Program:: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Information: Please read each scholarship carefully and provide all supporting documentation for the scholarship.

Acknowledgement and Certification: 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Other Scholarships**

**T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Scholarship Program** – a program that provides early childhood professionals with money to help cover the cost of tuition, books and travel. For more information including application, deadlines to apply and participating community colleges, visit <https://www.childcareservices.org/programs/teach-north-carolina/> or call 919-967-3272.

To download an application and for a full description of scholarships, visit <https://www.childcareservices.org/programs/teach-north-carolina/>.