State of West Virginia High School Equivalency Diploma Scholarship West Virginia Department of Education 2020-2021

Name:		Social Security Number:		
Address:				
City:	State:		Zip:	
County:	Birth Date:		Gender:	
Daytime Telephone Number:	Evening or Alter		rnate Telephone Number:	
Email Address:		I		
Date Passed a High School Equivalency Test:			In what state?	
Did you attend an Adult Education Learning Center? Yes or No				
If yes, where was the class located and who	o was the inst	ructor?		
Are you currently attending college or a career technical center? Yes or No				
If yes, what is the name of the college/career technical center?				
What are you studying if currently enrolled or what do you plan to study when you do enroll?				
If not currently attending school, when do you plan to enroll?				
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<u>REQUIRED:</u> Write a short autobiography and attach it to this application. This story about your life can be as short or as long as you want it to be. Think about including some of the things that others would want to know, such as:

- What your life was like before you began working toward your high school equivalency diploma
- Why you decided to work toward obtaining your high school equivalency diploma
- Whether you studied with a special teacher and how long it took you to prepare
- How your life may have changed since obtaining your high school equivalency diploma
- Your future plans

The applicant hereby understands and agrees to comply with the following:

- 1. Must be a resident of the state of West Virginia.
- 2. Must be a successful completer and have received a signed high school equivalency diploma.
- 3. Must be a full-time student (enrolled 12 hours or meet institution's definition of full-time status).
- 4. Must complete twelve or more semester hours and maintain a 2.0 grade point average to be eligible for the second semester payment.
- 5. Submit the application and autobiography by April 30.
- 6. Must complete and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at <u>www.fafsa.ed.gov</u>. Failure to submit the FAFSA will void your application.
- 7. Must not be in default on a federal student loan and must meet any other requirements set by awarding institution.
- 8. The scholarship is awarded annually, and you must re-apply each year to qualify. The West Virginia Department of Education will review the applications. The Department is under no obligation to award former recipients a scholarship each year; however, former recipients will be given priority upon submission and re-qualification of a new application for that current school year.
- 9. The social security number is used to verify scores and FAFSA information. Both of these items are required to determine eligibility for consideration of the scholarship.
- 10. The scholarships are sponsored by the schools or their foundations and are valid only at those schools. *Exception:* WV Adult Education Association, Inc. scholarships may be used at any school in the state.

The following institutions are sponsoring \$1,000 scholarships (\$500 per semester) or tuition waivers. Please check the box of the institution to which you are applying or attending. <u>The scholarships are non-transferable and are for use at that</u> <u>school only. Only one school is to be selected.</u>

*A letter of acceptance from the institution or a copy of your school schedule for the upcoming fall semester will be required before awarding the scholarship in June.

Career Technical Centers

- □ Academy of Careers & Technology (\$1,000 or up to cost of program)
- □ Fayette Institute of Technology
- □ Garnet Career Center (4 available 25% of tuition up to \$500)
- □ James Rumsey Technical Institute
- □ Mercer County Technical Education Center (2 available)

Colleges and Universities

- □ Bluefield State College (4 available)
- □ Glenville State College
- □ Marshall University
- □ Shepherd University
- □ West Virginia University at Parkersburg
- WVU Potomac State College

Career and Trade School

□ Valley College (4 available at \$1000 total for Certificate or \$2000 total for Degree program)

Community and Technical Colleges

- □ Blue Ridge Community & Technical College (3 available)
- BridgeValley Community & Technical College
- □ New River Community & Technical College (4 available)
- □ West Virginia Northern Community College

Other Scholarship Sponsor:

By signing below, I hereby grant permission for the WV Department of Education and the participating institutions to release the following:

- 1. My financial aid information on the FAFSA from the West Virginia Higher Education Grant Program.
- 2. My scores and records from the WV Department of Education, local or out of state testing centers and share those records with the West Virginia Higher Education Grant Program.
- 3. My transcripts containing my grade point average (GPA) or class schedule (minimum of 12 hours) from the institution to which the scholarship applies.
- 4. My name, age, score, year of completion, town, courses of study, and institution attending to the media and/or other interested parties unless specified otherwise in writing to the West Virginia Department of Education.

I certify the information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 30

(COMPLETION OF THIS APPLICATION IS NOT A GUARANTEE OF RECEIVING A SCHOLARSHIP AWARD)

TO COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THE APPLICATION ONLINE, GO TO: https://wvde.state.wv.us/forms/2020/scholarship/

<u>OR mail:</u> Attn: Sandra Adkins West Virginia Department of Education 1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East Building 6, Suite 825 Charleston, West Virginia 25305-0330 <u>OR Email:</u> Sign, scan application, and attach autobiography Email documents to: <u>sandra.adkins@k12.wv.us</u>

Date

Questions? Call 1-800-642-2670 or (304) 558-0280

Information and resources on careers, college, and financial aid is available at: https://secure.cfwv.com/Default.aspx and https://secure.cfwv.com/Default.aspx and https://secure.cfwv.com/Default.aspx and https://secure.cfwv.com/Default.aspx and http://www.collegeforadults.org