



MEMORANDUM

TO: Scholarship Applicants
FROM: Debi Conrad, Scholarship Liaison
SUBJECT: GED® /EDP Scholarship Application
DATE: January 2009

Please read the requirements of the scholarship application carefully to ensure you meet the eligibility criteria. Scholarship selection will be based upon financial need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and GED score or EDP verification. Please refer to the application for a complete list of participating institutions. The \$1,000 scholarship or tuition waiver is non-transferable and will be credited directly to the student's account for educational expenses (tuition, books, fees, housing, transportation or other educational related costs) by the institution in two installments of \$500 per semester. Scholarship awards will be announced in July. Completion of an application does not guarantee you will receive a scholarship. It is a competitive process just like other financial aid awards and scholarships. You must meet the following to be considered for an award:

- The applicant must be a West Virginia resident.
- The applicant must be an External Diploma Program (EDP) graduate or recipient of the General Educational Development (GED) with a score of 250 prior to January 1, 2002 or 2500 after January 1, 2002.
- The applicant must complete and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.
- The applicant must be a full-time student (12 hours or equivalent).
- The applicant must complete 12 semester hours and maintain a 2.0 grade point average to be eligible for second semester funding.
- The applicant must write a short autobiography and submit with this application (see application).
- The applicant will be asked to submit a letter of acceptance from the institution verifying enrollment if nominated by the selection committee.

Mail your signed and completed scholarship application and autobiography by **March 1, 2009** to:

West Virginia Department of Education
1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East
Building 6, Room 230
Charleston, WV 25305
Attn: Debi Conrad

If you need an additional copy of this application, it is available at the West Virginia Adult Basic Education program's website at <http://wvde.state.wv.us/abe/> or at the GED website at <http://wvde.state.wv.us/ged> or at West Virginia Adult Education Association's website at <http://wvaea.org>. Please contact Debi Conrad, Scholarship Liaison at 800-642-2670 or 304-558-0280 or dkconrad@access.k12.wv.us if you have any questions or need further information.

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