



District Scholars Tuition Assistance Application and Contract

For current year graduates of Athens, Fairfield, Hocking, Perry, Pickaway and Ross County High Schools

The following information outlines requirements of the District Scholars Tuition Assistance Grant and is an agreement between Hocking College and the student below. Complete the information below and mail this page to **Hocking College, Attention: Financial Aid, 3301 Hocking Parkway, Nelsonville OH 45764**. *Keep a copy of both pages for future reference.* If you have any questions about the District Scholars application or contract, call Admissions at **740.753.7050**.

Application Checklist

As you plan for your future, we invite you to consider Hocking College's District Scholars Tuition Assistance Grant.

The District Scholars Tuition Assistance Grant was established to help you meet your educational goals: earn an associate degree and enter the job market or transfer your credits to a four-year college. Our programs have excellent job placement and very competitive starting salaries.

To apply, simply follow the steps below. For your records, check off each step as it is completed.

- 1. Complete and mail the attached District Scholars Application and Contract.
- 2. Apply for admission to Hocking College for autumn or spring semester* at **apply.hocking.edu**
- 3. Apply for Federal and State financial aid programs using the FAFSA and complete all financial aid requirements.
- 4. Register and attend autumn or spring semester classes.*

** A student is eligible to enroll in the District Scholars program up to one year after high school graduation.*

Initial Program Eligibility Requirements

The student must meet the following eligibility requirements before a District Scholars monetary award can be made. Failure to meet any of these requirements will result in ineligibility for the District Scholars Tuition Assistance Scholarship.

1. Graduate within one year from an Athens, Fairfield, Hocking, Perry, Pickaway or Ross county high school.*
2. Complete and submit this District Scholars Application and Contract.
3. Apply for admission to Hocking College for autumn or spring semester.*
4. Apply for financial aid using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA on the web: **www.fafsa.ed.gov**)
5. Enroll in a **minimum 12 credit hours in your program**. Students must be registered by the first Friday of the semester in order to receive an award for that term. Flex courses do not count as part of a student's eligible credit hours.

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Determination of Monetary Award Amounts

District Scholars award amounts will be based on parent's Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) as reported on the FAFSA. The District Scholars program will cover the cost of tuition*** (up to 16 credit hours) not covered by the Federal Pell Grant as follows:

- Up to \$40,000 AGI - District Scholars will pay the full cost of tuition not covered by the Federal Pell Grant
- \$40,001 to \$55,000 AGI - District Scholars will pay **up to \$950** toward tuition and fees not covered by the Federal Pell Grant.
- Over \$55,000 AGI - District Scholars will pay **up to \$640** toward tuition and fees not covered by the Federal Pell Grant.

***Listed on billing statements as tuition and general service fee

All other charges (such as course fees, books and supplies) **are not** covered by the District Scholars program and are the responsibility of the student, including any interest and penalty charges incurred.

Awards will be applied to the student's account each semester after verifying that eligibility requirements have been met (see eligibility requirements below.) Any District Scholars award amounts listed on your Financial Aid Notification are pending semester review of eligibility.

The District Scholars application must be submitted no later than the first Friday of the semester. Awards will not be retroactive. Applications received after the first Friday of the semester will be processed for the next semester of enrollment. In order to register for classes, a student must have a finalized District Scholars award or make payment. Students who have not finalized their District Scholars award prior to the first day of the semester will be required to pay their tuition in full.

Eligibility Requirements

To maintain eligibility for the District Scholars program, a student must enroll full time (at least 12 credit hours in your program) each autumn and spring semester. District Scholars recipients must meet all Hocking College Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Guidelines (SAP). For details visit Hocking College website at:

<http://www.hocking.edu/documents/PayForCollege/sapGuidelines.pdf>.

As long as the student maintains eligibility, District Scholars funds will be available for completion of the student's first associate degree at Hocking College, up to four semesters.

A student who withdraws from the college will be placed on financial aid hold. Eligibility may be reinstated if the student re-enrolls within one year. A student on hold must complete a semester successfully without a District Scholars award. For details visit Hocking College Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Guidelines (SAP) on our website at: <http://www.hocking.edu/documents/PayForCollege/sapGuidelines.pdf>

Application

To apply for the District Scholars Tuition Assistance Scholarship, complete and return this entire page to the Hocking College Financial Aid Office.

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First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Student ID # or Last 4 Digits SS #								
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Mailing Address			Semester/Year You Plan to Begin Hocking College								
_____	_____	_____	_____								
City	State	Zip Code	High School Year of Graduation								
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Email Address			Current High School Grade Point Average								

Certification

I certify that I have read and understand the above guidelines for the District Scholar Tuition Assistance program.

Student Signature (Required)

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (Required if student is less than 18 years old)

Date

Hocking College reserves the right to change provisions, requirements, or availability of the District Scholars Tuition Assistance Program at any time without prior notice.