



Choose Your Direction

2014 Graduating High School Student Scholarship Application

**PRIORITY DEADLINE
MARCH 1st (Postmark)**

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

- Gadsden State Community College offers a variety of scholarships. Selection of scholarship recipients is highly competitive. Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee a scholarship.
- High School Academic and Technology Scholarships are awarded for one year and may be renewable for a second year based on performance. These scholarships cover tuition and fees only.
- To apply for an Academic Scholarship, the student must be a graduating Alabama high school student. It is recommended that all Academic Scholarship applicants have a minimum 90 GPA and indicate ACT scores on the Scholarship Application. **Both GPA and ACT scores will be considered in the awarding process.**
- Students must be Alabama residents and U.S. citizens or resident aliens to qualify for scholarships other than athletic and private scholarships. Recipients of athletic scholarships are required to be U.S. citizens.
- Only completed Scholarship Applications will be considered. A complete file includes: **1) Scholarship Application; 2) transcript that reflects grades earned from 9th grade through the first semester of 12th grade** (a separate transcript from any other transcript sent to Gadsden State Community College); and **3) Application for Admission** submitted online at www.gadsdenstate.edu.
- Completion of FAFSA prior to March 1 is highly recommended.
- A resume is not required for all scholarships. Please refer to specific scholarship requirements.
- Applications are kept on file for one year.
- Only students awarded scholarships will be notified. Notification will be by mail. No results will be provided by email or telephone.

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Mail application to: **Scholarship Office, P.O. Box 227, Gadsden, AL 35902-0227**

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I. PERSONAL DATA

Gadsden State Student No: G _____

1. Name _____ SSN: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Birth ____/____/____ Phone # Home: () ____ Cell: () ____ E-Mail: _____

4. Are you a citizen of the United States? ____ Yes ____ No If No, Are you a Resident Alien? ____ *Yes ____ No
*Copy of Resident Alien card must be attached to scholarship application

5. Gender (Optional): ____ Female ____ Male

6. Race (Optional): ____ African American ____ Hispanic ____ Native American ____ White ____ Other

7. Major/Program of Study: _____

8. Are you presently employed? ____ Yes ____ No If so, number of hours per week ____ Employer: _____

9. Have you completed a FAFSA to apply for financial aid? ____ Yes ____ No Will you receive financial aid? ____ Yes ____ No ____ Not notified
(Completion of FAFSA is highly recommended for all students applying for scholarship assistance.)

10. Type of scholarship requested: ____ Academic ____ Athletic** ____ Minority (HBCU) ____ Technical
____ Ambassador* ____ Honors* ____ Performing Arts** ____ Opportunity***

*Essay required. **Student must contact department directors for tryout/audition dates. ***FAFSA completion required.

II. HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION (MUST BE COMPLETED BY SCHOOL COUNSELOR ONLY)

High School Attended: _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

*Unweighted H.S. GPA _____ Class Rank ____ of ____ ACT Score _____

*Unweighted Grade Point Average on the 100 point scale, computed on core subjects of English, Math, Social Studies, Science, and
and Foreign Languages.

Type of Diploma (Please check one):

____ Advanced Academic Diploma ____ Career Technical Diploma ____ Credit Based Diploma
____ Advanced Career Technical Diploma ____ Alabama Occupational Diploma ____ Certificate of Attendance
____ Alabama High School Diploma ____ Certificate of Graduation

____ Counselor Signature Date Telephone Number Email Address

III. STUDENT INFORMATION:

High school activities, community activities, volunteer work, honors, and offices held. (Attach additional sheet if necessary):

I grant permission to release information from my educational and financial records to the Scholarship Committee.

____ Student Signature Date

Scholarship Opportunities

| Type of Scholarship | Description/Value | Qualifications/Restrictions/ Contact Information |
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| <u>Institutional Scholarships:</u> | | |
| Academic Scholarships | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Academic Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis by the Scholarship Committee ▪ High school GPA 90 or above recommended ▪ Submission of ACT scores recommended ▪ Full or partial tuition | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Full time enrollment ▪ 3.25 minimum collegiate GPA ▪ Contact: Scholarship Office 256-549-8203 |
| Performing Arts Scholarships Art, Choir, Southern Belle, Show Band, Mascot, Theatre | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Performing Arts Scholarships are awarded to students on the basis of portfolio/audition ▪ Full or partial tuition | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Must participate in prescribed activities ▪ 2.2 minimum collegiate GPA ▪ Contact: Fine Arts Department 256-549-8325 |
| Honors Scholar Scholarships | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ High school GPA 85 or above recommended ▪ Composite score of 25 or above on ACT or 1200 on SAT recommended ▪ Top 15% of graduating class recommended ▪ Entering freshmen and currently enrolled students ▪ Full or partial tuition | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Full time enrollment ▪ 3.25 minimum collegiate GPA ▪ Honors Scholar and Gadsden State scholarship applications required ▪ Contact: Honors Program Director 256-549-8416 or 256-549-8278 |
| HBCU/Minority Scholarships | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Entering freshmen and currently enrolled students ▪ Priority will be given to African-American students enrolled in classes on the Valley Street Campus ▪ Full or partial tuition | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Full time enrollment ▪ 2.5 minimum collegiate GPA ▪ Contact: Scholarship Office 256-549-8203 |
| Technical Scholarships | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Technology Scholarships are awarded to students planning to pursue technical degree or certificate programs ▪ Full or partial tuition ▪ Students who apply with an undeclared or general major status are not eligible for consideration of technical scholarships | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Full time enrollment ▪ 75% of classes must be in declared technical major ▪ 2.5 minimum collegiate GPA ▪ Contact: Technical Department 256-549-8616 |
| Ambassador Scholarships | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ambassador Scholarships are awarded in exchange for service to the College as host/hostesses for College and civic events ▪ 500 Word Essay required on "How Life Experiences Have Contributed in Preparing Me to Become a Gadsden State Community College Ambassador" ▪ Selection criteria include academic merit, club or activity participation, extra-curricular activities and an interview with the Ambassador Selection Committee ▪ Full or partial tuition | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Full time enrollment ▪ Participating in required activities ▪ 3.0 minimum collegiate GPA ▪ Typed resume and essay ▪ Contact: Student Activities (Ayers Campus) 256-835-5451 (Gadsden Campus) 256-549-8329 |

Scholarship Opportunities (cont'd)

| Type of Scholarship | Description/Value | Qualifications/Restrictions/ Contact Information |
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| <u>Institutional Scholarships:</u> | | |
| Opportunity Scholarships | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based on economic need determined by EFC as indicated on processed FAFSA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EFC within required range 2.5 minimum collegiate GPA Contact: Scholarship Office 256-549-8203 |
| Athletic Scholarships | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Various tryouts Full time enrollment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NJCAA requirements Contact: Athletic Department 256-549-8311 or 256-549-8310 |
| <u>Miscellaneous/Other Scholarships:</u> | | |
| T.E.A.C.H. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students pursuing an A.A.S. or certificate in Child Development Must meet T.E.A.C.H. program requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact: AL Partnership for Children 334-271-0304 or 1-866-711-4025 |
| Operation Enduring Freedom | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuition scholarships to children and spouses of eligible Alabama National Guard service men/women or reservists who are currently activated | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific documentation required Contact: Scholarship Office 256-549-8203 |

**REFER TO THE COLLEGE WEBSITE, www.gadsdenstate.edu
FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES.**

Student Checklist for Scholarship Application Package
(Only complete scholarship application packages will be considered.)

- _____ **Scholarship Application completed**
- _____ **Signatures of Student & High School Counselor included**
- _____ **Official High School Transcript included**
- _____ **Application for Admissions completed** (This may be submitted online. DO NOT submit Admissions Application with scholarship application package.)
- _____ **Completed 2014-2015 Free Application for Federal Aid (FAFSA) recommended** (May be completed online at www.fafsa.gov.)
- _____ **Essay included** (if required)

Gadsden State Community College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097; Telephone number 404.679.4501) to award associate degrees.

It is the official policy of the Alabama State Board of Education and Gadsden State Community College, a postsecondary institution under its control, that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, disability, sex, religion, creed, national origin, or age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program, activity, or employment.