



Choose Your Direction

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.
- 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; however, it is recommended.
- 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

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 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 applied for financial aid? ____Yes ____No Will you receive financial aid? ____Yes ____No ____Not yet notified
(Completion of FAFSA is highly recommended for all students applying for scholarship assistance.)

10. Type of scholarship requested: ____Academic ____Athletic** ____Minority ____Technology
____Ambassador* ____Honors* ____Performing Arts** ____Opportunity***

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

11. If required, have you included an essay or resume? ____Yes ____No Have you completed a FAFSA? ____Yes ____No

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 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
<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 tuition 	Full-time enrollment 3.25 collegiate GPA Contact: Scholarship Office 256-549-8203
Performing Arts Scholarships Art, Choir, Southern Belle, Show Band, Mascot, and Theater	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Performing Arts Scholarships are awarded to students on the basis of portfolio/audition -Full to partial tuition 	Must participate in prescribed activities 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 -Entering freshman and currently enrolled students -Full tuition 	Full-time enrollment 3.25 collegiate GPA Honors Scholar and Gadsden State scholarship applications needed Contact: Honors Program 256-549-8279 or 256-549-8278
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 tuition 	Full-time enrollment 2.5 collegiate GPA Filed FAFSA required Contact: Scholarship Office 256-549-8203
Technology Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Technology Scholarships are awarded to students planning to pursue technical degrees or certificates -Full or partial tuition -Students who apply in an undeclared major status are not eligible for consideration of this scholarship 	Full-time enrollment 75% of classes must be in technical major 2.5 collegiate GPA Contact: Technical Department 256-549-8616
Ambassadors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Ambassador Scholarships are awarded in exchange for service to the College as hosts/hostesses for College and civic events -500 Word Essay 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 tuition 	Full-time enrollment Required activities 3.0 collegiate GPA Typed resume and essay required Contact: Student Activities (Ayers) 256-835-5451 or (Gadsden) 256-549-8329

Institutional Scholarships:

Opportunity Scholarships	-Based on economic need determined by EFC as indicated on processed FAFSA	EFC within required range 2.5 GPA Contact: Scholarship Office 256-549-8203
Athletic Scholarships	-Various tryouts -Full-time enrollment	NJCCA requirements Contact: Athletic Department 256-549-8311 or 256-549-8310

Miscellaneous/Other Scholarships:

T.E.A.C.H.	-Students pursuing an A.A.S. or certificate in Child Development	Contact: AL Partnership for Children 334-271-0304 or 1-866-711-4025
Operation Enduring Freedom	-Tuition scholarships to children and spouses of Alabama National Guard service men/women or reservists who are currently activated	Specific paperwork 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 2010-2011 Free Application for Federal Aid (FAFSA) recommended** (May be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.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.