



# January 2024



## COLLEGE ENTRANCE TESTING INFORMATION

*You want to have your desired ACT score no later than December of your Senior Year!*

Test Date	Deadline to Register w/o Late Fee	Deadline to register w/late fee	Photo Upload Deadline
September 9th	August 4 <sup>th</sup>	August 18 <sup>th</sup>	September 1 <sup>st</sup>
October 28 <sup>th</sup>	September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	October 6 <sup>th</sup>	October 20 <sup>th</sup>
December 9 <sup>th</sup>	November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	November 17 <sup>th</sup>	December 1 <sup>st</sup>
February 10 <sup>th</sup>	January 5 <sup>th</sup>	January 19 <sup>th</sup>	February 2 <sup>nd</sup>
April 13 <sup>th</sup>	March 8 <sup>th</sup>	March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	April 5 <sup>th</sup>
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	May 17 <sup>th</sup>	May 31 <sup>st</sup>
July 13 <sup>th</sup>	June 7 <sup>th</sup>	June 21 <sup>st</sup>	July 5 <sup>th</sup>

**\*\*Register online at <https://my.act.org/account/signin?location=https://my.act.org> \*\***

**\*\*ACT w/Writing cost \$93. You should not need to redo this as you took it your junior year. You need only register for ACT without Writing, which costs \$68. If you are on free or reduced lunch, you qualify for a fee waiver. \*\* Late registration fee is \$36.**

**ACT FEE WAIVERS** are available for the ACT if you qualify for free/reduced lunches, receive public assistance or live in federally subsidized public housing, are a ward of the state or reside in a foster home, or are homeless, a member of Upward Bound, or your family income falls below the USDA levels for free/reduced lunches. You must be currently enrolled in 11th or 12th grade and be testing in the United States, US territories, or Puerto Rico. Limit of four fee waivers for ACT. See counselor for waiver. **Waivers must be used before you graduate!**

## INFORMATION FOR ATHLETES

If you are considering participating in Division I or II athletics as a college freshman, you must register with and be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center. This requires that you take a certain number of core courses and maintain a certain grade point average depending on your ACT/SAT score. Go to [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org) for information and to register. When registering for the ACT or SAT, remember that "official" test scores must be sent from the testing agency to the NCAA using code 9999. Test scores that appear on a high school transcript **will not** be accepted.

If you are considering participating in athletics at an NAIA school, you must register with the NAIA Eligibility Center at [www.playNAIA.org](http://www.playNAIA.org). To be certified by the NAIA, you must meet two of the following three requirements: maintain a 2.0 GPA, score at least an 18 on the ACT, and/or be ranked in the top half of your graduating class.

**Please talk with Coach Tidwell and Mrs. Ball if you are considering any of this.**

## SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION

Federal law requires males who are 18 years of age to register with the Selective Service System. Register at [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov). You must register to be eligible for federal financial aid as well as for state-based aid at most colleges. **You must register within 30 days of your 18<sup>th</sup> birthday!**

## Job Shadowing Opportunities

Mrs. Puckett, the St. Clair County Career Coach, will work with you on setting up job shadowing opportunities if you have a specific career in mind. Please let me know and we will get this set up.  
[christina.puckett@sccboe.org](mailto:christina.puckett@sccboe.org)

## Military Opportunities

If you are interested in any military branch, please see Mrs. Marbury. We can schedule ASVAB testing and recruiters with parent/guardian permission.

## College Information

- FAFSA opens in December. You must complete this if you are going to college. This is also a graduation requirement. A FAFSA waiver is available if you are not considering college.
- You must be accepted to the college before applying for their scholarships.
- Auburn University
  - Your rep is Austin Taylor – [akt0067@auburn.edu](mailto:akt0067@auburn.edu)
  - Applications open August 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Admission Application Deadline is February 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Early Action Decision Deadline is December 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Scholarship application opens November 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Scholarship Deadline is February 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - Deadline to update test scores is January 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - Financial Aid Priority deadline is March 28<sup>th</sup>.
  - Enrollment deposit is due May 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Scholarship acceptance/decline deadline is May 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Auburn is test optional if you have at least a 3.6 GPA; otherwise, you must submit test scores.
    - Auburn now accepts ACT Superscores.
- Auburn University at Montgomery (AUM)
  - FAFSA Code: 008310
  - Admission Requirements
    - 2.3 GPA unweighted, ACT 18 or SAT 940
    - If you do not meet requirements, you will apply to the Bridge Program
      - If you have 2.3 GPA or higher you must have an ACT 17 or SAT 900
      - If you have a 2.0 GPA you must have an ACT 18 or SAT 940
  - AUM Priority Admission deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Scholarship deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>
- Gadsden State Community College
  - Admission Application opens October 1<sup>st</sup>
    - You must apply at least 2 weeks prior before scholarship deadline in order to have application processed.
  - Scholarship Application opens November 1<sup>st</sup>
    - Scholarship deadline is February 1<sup>st</sup>
    - Deadline to update ACT score for scholarships is February 1<sup>st</sup>
    - Program of study changes allowed until February 1<sup>st</sup> for scholarship purposes.
    - You must be accepted before you can apply for scholarships.
    - There is one general scholarship application, the honors program application, and the presidential scholarship application.
      - 3.25 GPA (weighted) with a 22 ACT to be eligible for the Presidential or Honors Scholarship
      - 3.0 GPA (weighted) to be eligible for the Ambassador scholarship.
    - Start Strong Scholarship available for 6 fall credit hrs/6 spring credit hrs for those who do not receive any other scholarship offers from Gadsden State
- Huntingdon College
  - Application is always free & is test optional for 23-24 year
  - \$200 enrollment deposit
  - Admission Requirements: 3.0 GPA w/o ACT or 2.75 GPA with a 20 ACT for unconditional acceptance. 2.75 GPA for conditional acceptance
  - Preview Day: Feb 19<sup>th</sup>

- Register at [www.huntingdon.edu/visit](http://www.huntingdon.edu/visit)
  - Scholarships cannot be stacked/combined
    - See chart hanging by the bulletin board for a list of scholarships and links
- **Jacksonville State University (JSU)**
  - Caely Williams is your rep – [cawilliams@jsu.edu](mailto:cawilliams@jsu.edu)
    - Text or call 256-600-9431
  - FAFSA code: 001020
  - Test optional. You can submit ACT scores until May 1<sup>st</sup> for scholarship purposes.
  - Housing application information
    - First year undergraduate students are required to live on campus inside the residence halls, however, we do allow students to request exemptions. Students from Calhoun, Cherokee, Cleburne, Etowah, St. Clair, or Talladega County who do not wish to live on campus can submit an exemption form online starting October 10th.
    - \$200 non-refundable application fee to apply for housing.
    - Priority deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Scholarship offers will begin in October
    - Apply at <https://www.jsu.edu/finaid/scholarships/competitive-foundation.html>
    - JAXApp scholarship application closes February 1<sup>st</sup>. It is one application that registers you for over 300 scholarships.
    - Leadership Scholarship is a separate application due February 1<sup>st</sup>.
    - Honors Scholarship is a separate application due February 1<sup>st</sup>.
    - International House Scholarship application is March 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - FAFSA
    - Priority deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup>. If completed by then you get \$500 toward your 1<sup>st</sup> semester at JSU!
  - Gamecock Orientation
    - Opens February 1<sup>st</sup>. This is required for all students attending JSU.
      - Register at <https://www.jsu.edu/go/index.html>
- **Jefferson State Community College**
  - Available scholarships include the Presidential Scholarship, Academic Excellence Scholarship, Dual Enrollment Scholarship, Ambassadors Scholarship, Students w/Disabilities Scholarship, Children of Blind Parents Scholarship, Counselor's Scholarship, Intramural Sports, Isaiah Core Scholarship, Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship, Scholar's Bowl Scholarship, Jeff State Singers Scholarship, Sigma Chi Eta Scholarship, Sigma Kappa Delta (English Honors Society) Scholarship, Speech/Debate Scholarship, SGA Scholarship, and ENACTUS Scholarship. View at <https://www.jeffersonstate.edu/highschoolscholarships/>
  - Presidential Scholarship Deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup>
    - Must have a 3.0 GPA by the end of December
    - ACT score of 22 or higher
  - Academic Excellence Scholarship Deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>
    - Must have a ACT score of 22 or higher
  - Dual Enrollment Achievement Scholarship Deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>
    - Must have completed 6 credits hours with Jeff State
- **Troy University**
  - Kaylee McBroom is your rep– [kmcbroom@troy.edu](mailto:kmcbroom@troy.edu)
  - Unconditional admission without test score, students must have a 3.0 GPA. Conditional admission requires 2.5 GPA
  - Unconditional admission with a 20 ACT requires a 2.0 GPA
  - Conditional admission with a 17-19 ACT requires a 2.5 GPA
  - Merit Scholarships open September 1<sup>st</sup> deadline to submit is February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

- Housing applications open October 2<sup>nd</sup> first come/first serve.
- Financial Aid opens December 1<sup>st</sup>
- Foundation Scholarships open January 1<sup>st</sup>. Deadline to submit is March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- **Tuskegee University**
  - Admission Application deadline is July 1<sup>st</sup> (\$25 application fee)
  - Test optional admission requires applicants to have a 3.0 GPA, write a personal essay, and have a letter of recommendation.
  - Preferred Admission/Standard Admission requires a 21 ACT or 1080 SAT and an unweighted GPA of 3.0
  - FAFSA SAR Report due by February 1<sup>st</sup>.
- **University of Alabama**
  - Christy Hudgens is your rep – [christy.bama@ua.edu](mailto:christy.bama@ua.edu)
  - Univ of AL is test optional
  - Competitive Scholarship deadline is January 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Merit Scholarship deadline is May 1<sup>st</sup>. You must submit ACT/SAT scores to qualify.
  - February 1<sup>st</sup> housing application priority deadline
    - Housing application fee is \$175
    - Housing application opens October 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Freshman Enrollment deposit deadline is May 1<sup>st</sup>. The deposit is \$200.
- **University of Alabama in Birmingham (UAB)**
  - Taylor England is your rep - [englandt@uab.edu](mailto:englandt@uab.edu)
  - UAB is test-optional
  - Merit scholarship deadline requires an enrollment application to be submitted by December 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - BSMART scholarship deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup> with some being February 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Housing priority deadline is February 29<sup>th</sup>.
  - Once your application to UAB has been submitted it CANNOT be updated or changed
  - Click the link for scholarship information  
<https://www.uab.edu/admissions/cost/scholarships/in-state-students>
- **University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH)**
  - Trinity Verkest is your rep - [tsv0002@uah.edu](mailto:tsv0002@uah.edu)
  - Competitive Scholarship applications are due December 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - Test Scores must be received by May 1<sup>st</sup> to update scholarship eligibility for general scholarships.
    - There is no separate scholarship application for general scholarships
- **University of Mobile**
  - Gracie Whittington is your rep – [gwhittington@umobile.edu](mailto:gwhittington@umobile.edu)
  - Preview Days: Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, Nov 17<sup>th</sup>, Feb 16<sup>th</sup>, March 22<sup>nd</sup>
    - If you attend a preview day, you will be offered a scholarship if you are admitted.
    - Visit [www.umobile.edu/previewday](http://www.umobile.edu/previewday)
- **University of Montevallo**
  - Test Optional for students with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
  - If you have a GPA of 2.5, you must have a ACT composite of 20
  - If your ACT score is an 18 or 19 you may be considered for admissions based on GPA
- **University of North Alabama**
  - Scholarship deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Housing application opens December 1<sup>st</sup>
    - Priority application deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup>
    - Cancellation deadline is May 1<sup>st</sup>
  - ACT code is 0014

- **University of South Alabama**
  - Scholarship deadline is February 15<sup>th</sup>
    - Apply at [southalabama.edu/scholarships](http://southalabama.edu/scholarships)
  - Campus housing priority application is April 1<sup>st</sup>
- **University of West Alabama (UWA)**
  - James Bank Jr is your rep – [jbanks@uwa.edu](mailto:jbanks@uwa.edu)
  - Scholarship application deadline is April 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - Admission application deadline is April 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Important Dates to Know (ALL DATES ARE TENTATIVE!!!)**

- January 17<sup>th</sup> – Gadsden State Tour – being rescheduled
- February 9<sup>th</sup> – Mock Interviews (required)
- February 19<sup>th</sup>-February 23 – Spring College Application Week
- March 14<sup>th</sup> – Report Cards
- March 15<sup>th</sup> – Career Fair
- March 20<sup>th</sup> – Wallace State Tour
- April 6<sup>th</sup> – Prom
- May 8<sup>th</sup> – AP Literature Exam 8:00 a.m. (required)
- May 9<sup>th</sup> – Awards Day 9:00 a.m.
- May 16<sup>th</sup> – AP Biology Exam 12:00 p.m. (required)
- May 19<sup>th</sup> – Baccalaureate Hardin's Chapel 2:00 p.m.
- May 20<sup>th</sup> – Graduation 7:00 p.m.

### **Reminders**

1. Check the counseling webpage often for updates. <https://www.sccboe.org/Page/2178>
2. Check Microsoft Teams Senior Class of 2024 for updates. Documents that are distributed during school will be uploaded there and on the counseling webpage.
3. Check your emails daily as colleges and scholarships will send communications through electronic form. Use a personal email not your school email!!! ALWAYS CHECK YOUR SPAM/JUNK folder in emails.
4. LISTEN to morning and afternoon announcements for information & opportunities!
5. Check the counselor bulletin board for info & scholarship of the week announcements!

### **Free Scholarship Search Engines**

- JLV College Counseling - <https://jlvcollegecounseling.com/>
- Scholarship 360 - <https://scholarships360.org/>
- Get Schooled - <https://getschooled.com/journey/get-to-college/scholarships-for-college/>
- BOLD - <https://bold.org/applicants/>
- Sallie Mae Scholarship Search – [www.salliemae.com/scholarshipsearch](http://www.salliemae.com/scholarshipsearch)
- Cappex – [www.cappex.com/scholarships](http://www.cappex.com/scholarships)
- Big Future – <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search/scholarship-list>
- Scholarship America - <https://scholarshipamerica.org/>
- Going Merry - <https://www.goingmerry.com/>
- Scholly: College Scholarships (download the phone app)

### **Other Helpful Resources**

- College Planning Tool – [www.salliemae.com/planforcollege](http://www.salliemae.com/planforcollege)
- Career/College/Scholarship Search - [https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/?SFMC\\_cid=EM1012887-&rid=85653190](https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/?SFMC_cid=EM1012887-&rid=85653190)
- There are available scholarships for students who parents work at Wal-Mart, Exxon Mobil

- General Electric Foundation - <https://www.iie.org/en/Programs> Provides opportunities to partner with various companies and earn scholarships throughout the world
- Cash for College Help Desk – is available Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
  - Text or call 334-316-6155 or email [algoestocollege@alabamapossible.org](mailto:algoestocollege@alabamapossible.org)
  - This resource helps with FAFSA

### Scholarships

1. Student Scholarships
  - a. Deadlines vary each month
  - b. <https://studentscholarships.org/scholarships.php>
2. Alabama Advantage Scholarship
  - a. Priority deadline: January 15<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Must have a completed application to UA, turned in all additional documents, and completed FAFSA
  - c. This scholarship provides money for needs-based.
  - d. More information can be found here <https://afford.ua.edu/scholarships/alabama-advantage/>
3. Jacksonville State Scholarship
  - a. Deadline: February 1<sup>st</sup>
  - b. Apply at <https://www.isu.edu/finaid/scholarships/competitive-foundation.html>
4. Gadsden State Scholarship
  - a. Deadline: February 1<sup>st</sup>
  - b. Apply at <https://www.gadsdenstate.edu/admissions-aid/scholarships.cms>
5. Rising Star WBRC
  - a. Deadline: February 1<sup>st</sup> (application says 16<sup>th</sup> but you want to submit before the end)
  - b. See application on TEAMS or in September newsletter.
  - c. Must give paper to Mrs. Marbury to submit nomination. DO NOT submit yourself or they will disqualify you.
  - d. Only 1 winner per school
6. Auburn Scholarship
  - a. Deadline: February 15<sup>th</sup>
7. College Counts
  - a. Deadline: February 29<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Apply at [treasury.alabama.gov/collegecounts-scholarship](http://treasury.alabama.gov/collegecounts-scholarship)
8. Troy University
  - a. Deadline: March 1<sup>st</sup>
  - b. Apply at <https://www.troy.edu/scholarships-costs-aid/scholarships/undergraduate-scholarships.html>
9. Community Foundation Scholarship
  - a. Deadline: March 1<sup>st</sup>
  - b. Apply at <https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cfnascholarship>
  - c. We are guaranteed 1 winner for the Ruby Wilson Scholarship!
10. Jim Harrell Poetry Scholarship Montevallo
  - a. Deadline: March 15<sup>th</sup>
  - b. See TEAMS or counselor website for more information
11. November Scholarship Bundle
  - a. Deadline: Varies between December 1<sup>st</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup>
  - b. See bundle attached in TEAMS or the counseling webpage.
12. Jefferson State Presidential Scholarship
  - a. Deadline: April 1<sup>st</sup>
  - b. Must have a 3.0 GPA by December of senior year, ACT of 22 or higher
13. Jefferson State Community College Counselor Scholarship
  - a. Deadline: April 1<sup>st</sup>

- b. Turn in paper application to Mrs. Marbury
14. John C Slovensky Education Scholarship
- a. Deadline: April 15<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Must be pursuing a degree in education
  - c. Complete paper application and return to Mrs. Marbury
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### Miscellaneous

**1. University of AL Minority Rural Health Scholars Program**

- a. Application deadline is March 15<sup>th</sup>.
- b. The purpose of the program is to expose rural students to the field of medicine. You can earn up to 4 college credit hours. Program runs from May 26<sup>th</sup>-June 28<sup>th</sup>
- c. Apply at [cchs.ua.edu/rmhs](http://cchs.ua.edu/rmhs)

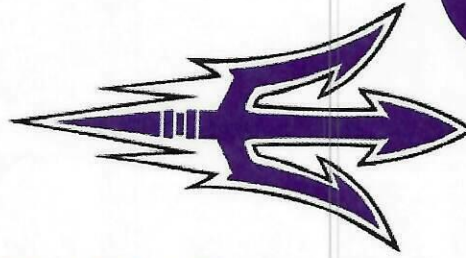
**2. Senior Class Fees**

- a. Deadline: November 3, 2023. (Late fee of \$10 if not paid by this deadline)
- b. Senior Fees- \$150.00 includes cap, gown, diploma, diploma cover, senior awards & recognitions, commencement ceremonies, class luncheon, and class t-shirt.
- c. Yearbooks are not included in senior fees. Yearbooks are available for purchase. The cost is \$60 plus tax.
- d. The Class Fees payment does not include invitations, rings, jackets, or extra-curricular activities such as homecoming and/or prom.
- e. Each club may charge for cords and stoles.
- f. Students should pay their senior dues in the form of a cash, check, or money order payable to Ragland High School. *Please include your student's name on the check/money order. (No checks will be accepted after March 30th)*

**3. Outstanding Debts**

- a. If you incurred a debt(s) during the past school year(s) or this year, you will receive a debt letter. Students with outstanding fees at the end of the school year (class dues, textbooks, athletic equipment, etc.) will be **PROHIBITED** from participating in senior activities. Senior activities include baccalaureate & graduation. All debts must be cleared to participate in baccalaureate and graduation practices and ceremonies. After March 30th, only cash or money order will be accepted.

**4. Class Ring Order Deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup>**



**RAGLAND SENIORS**  
**ORDER YOUR ANNOUNCEMENTS,**  
**SENIOR SUPPLIES, AND CLASS RING**  
**AT JDRGRAD.COM**  
**CLICK HERE OR SCAN**

Announcements + printed items are shipped to YOU in **March**  
All other items ship to you in **2-3 days**  
Class ring order deadline to  
*receive by graduation* is **March 1st**



**IF YOU HAVE NOT**  
**ALREADY FILLED IN**  
**YOUR CAP + GOWN**  
**SIZES, WE NEED THEM!**  
**VISIT HEYGRAD.NET OR**  
**SCAN THE QR CODE.**  
**TYPE YOUR SCHOOL**  
**NAME THEN ENTER**  
**YOUR INFO**





# GIFT VOUCHER

# VALUE \$5.00

As your counselor, I'm here to help you connect your hard work today with your dreams for tomorrow. As 2023 draws to a close and 2024 begins, here's a new year gift from me to you to help you along your journey: a **\$5 voucher** to use towards registration for any February, April, June, or July 2024 ACT test date. This voucher is available until January 22, 2024 — check out all the details below. Let's make your dreams a reality!

**Voucher Code: FEB-NAT-PVO-FF**

Warm wishes,

Your Name Here

## How do I use the voucher code?

Enter the voucher code provided during the checkout process on MyACT to receive \$5 off a new ACT registration. This code cannot be combined with any other promotional offers, discounts, or be redeemed for cash or credit.

## What if I've already registered?

If you have already registered for an ACT test, you can use this code to receive \$5 off an ACT test registration for the February, April, June, or July 2024 test dates.

## How long is the voucher code valid?

The voucher code must be redeemed by the time the extended February ACT registration closes on January 22 at 11:59 p.m. CT.

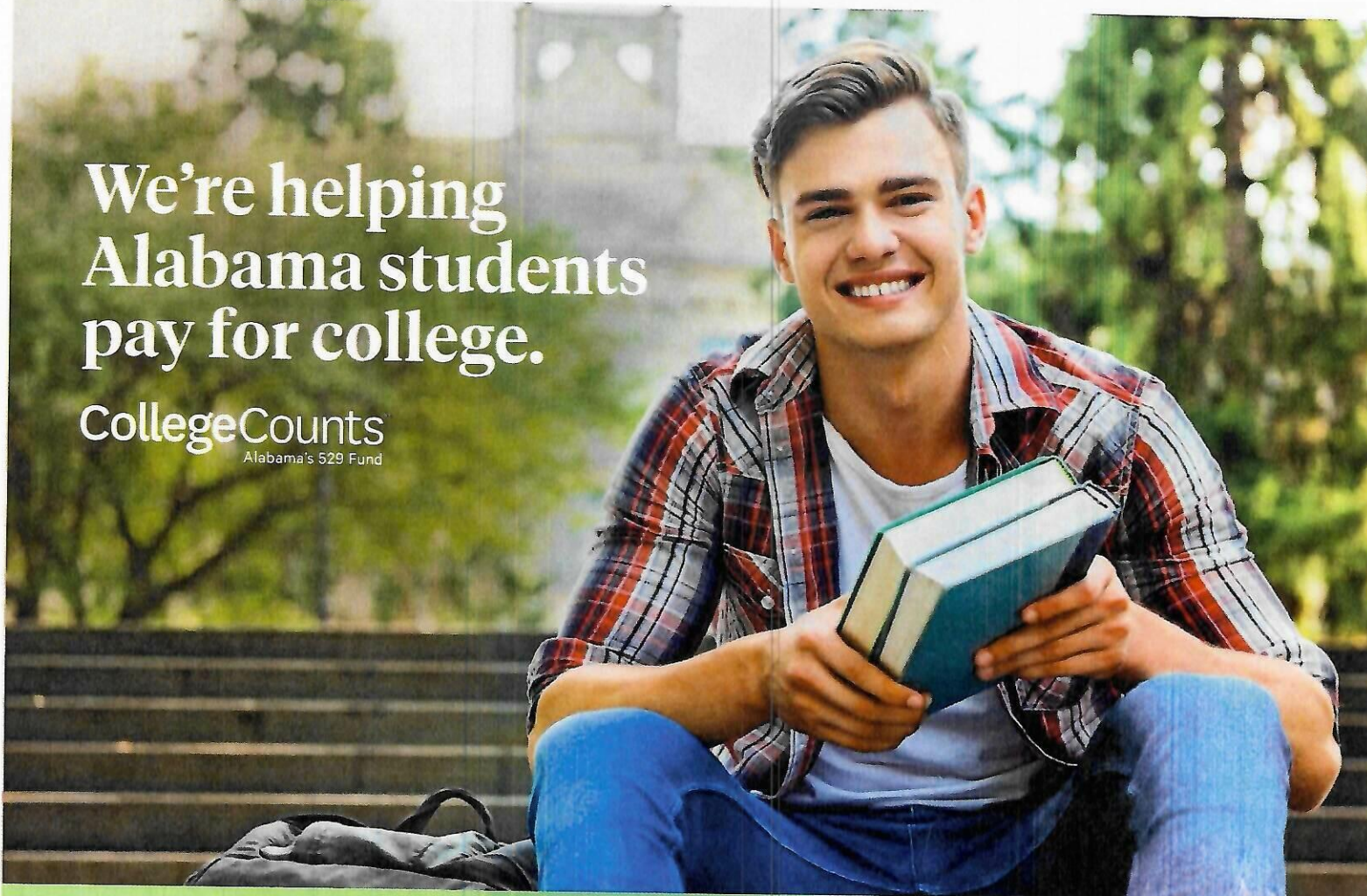
## Can the voucher code be used for any ACT test date?

The voucher code is valid for the February, April, June, or July 2024 ACT test dates.



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## Eligibility

Applicants must meet **all of the following** criteria to apply for this scholarship:

# 26

Maximum ACT Score  
4-year college enrollees



High School Senior  
or first-time college  
freshman fall 2024

# 2.75

Minimum GPA



U.S. Citizen &  
Alabama Resident



Planning to Enroll  
in an Alabama eligible  
school fall 2024



Demonstrate  
Financial Need

## Award Details

- ✓ Award amounts of \$4,000 for four-year college enrollees and \$2,000 for two-year college enrollees
- ✓ Scholarships determined through an application process
- ✓ Non-renewable award granted on a semester basis
- ✓ Funds to be used for tuition, fees, room and board (if enrolled at least half-time and charged through the school), books, and supplies and equipment required for enrollment, including computers



For more information or to apply, visit  
[treasury.alabama.gov/collegecounts-scholarship](https://treasury.alabama.gov/collegecounts-scholarship)

Applications Open: **December 1, 2023, 12:01 AM CST**  
Applications Close: **February 29, 2024, 11:59 PM CST**

**Apply for a scholarship today!**



StudentScholarships.org  
4410 Massachusetts Ave NW #250  
Washington, DC, 20016

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## Attn: School Counselor | Scholarship Coordinator

Below you will find a list of 15 Scholarship Programs available to your students. More than 450 Individual Scholarships will be distributed through these 15 Programs. Students from your high schools are eligible for all awards below.

\*Newsletter is available for PDF Download here:  
<https://studentscholarships.org/newsletters>

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# JANUARY SCHOLARSHIP NEWSLETTER

DEADLINES BETWEEN: January 31<sup>st</sup> & May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### 1) Union Plus Scholarship - \$4,000 - 199 Awards (Deadline: January 31, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a current or retired member of a participating union, their spouse or a dependent child.
- B) Have at least one year of continuous union membership by the applicant, applicant's spouse or parent.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/11904/union-plus-scholarships-program>

### 2) Melvin Kruger Endowed Scholarship - \$20,000 - 3 Awards (Deadline: January 31, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a graduating high school senior.
- B) Have a relative that is employed in the roofing industry.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/12217/melvin-kruger-endowed-scholarship>

### 3) Sallie Mae Scholarship - \$2,000 - 12 Awards (Deadline: January 31, 2024)

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be enrolled as a high school senior or a student enrolled at an accredited college or university located within the United States and carry a GPA of at least 2.5.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/17688/sallie-mae-scholarship>

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4410 Massachusetts Ave NW #250  
Washington, DC, 20016



**4) Society of Manufacturing Engineers Scholarship - \$20,000 - 60 Awards (Deadline: Feb 1, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a graduating high school senior, current undergraduate or graduate student who will be enrolling as part-time or full-time undergraduate or graduate student in the Fall of 2024.
- B) Have a minimum GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale or 70 on a 100 point scale.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/15382/society-of-manufacturing-engineers-scholarship>

**5) Davidson Fellows Scholarships - \$50,000 – 20 Awards (Deadline: February 14, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be 18 or younger as of the application deadline.
- B) Have completed a significant piece of work in one of the submission categories.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/8804/davidson-fellows-scholarships>

**6) Nick Lindblad Memorial Scholarship - \$3,500 - 1 Award (Deadline: February 16, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a graduating high school senior.
- B) Have been involved in music throughout their high school career.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/28357/nick-lindblad-memorial-scholarship>

**7) HBCU Week X NFL Scholarship - \$10,000 - 7 Awards (Deadline: February 16, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States.
- B) Plan on attending a Historically Black College or University for the entirety of their college education.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/26492/hbcu-week-x-nfl-scholarship>



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**8) Vegetarian Resource Group Scholarships - \$10,000 – 5 Awards (Deadline: February 20, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a senior in high school in the United States.
- B) Have promoted vegetarianism in their schools and/or communities.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9544/vegetarian-resource-group-scholarships>

**9) Coast Guard Exchange Scholarship Program - \$2,000 - 20 Awards (Deadline: February 28, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be in the last year of high school and scheduled to attend college full-time during the subsequent year.
- B) Be a dependent of a Coast Guard active duty, reserve, current civilian NAF and APF employees, or current Coast Guard Auxiliarists.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/20641/coast-guard-exchange-scholarship-program>

**10) Eagle Scout of the Year Scholarship - \$10,000 - 4 Awards (Deadline: March 1, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Have reached their 15th birthday and be enrolled in high school.
- B) Be a registered active member of a Boy Scouts of America unit that is chartered to an American Legion post, American Legion Auxiliary unit or Sons of The American Legion squadron.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9944/eagle-scout-of-the-year-scholarship>

**11) 9/11 Promise Scholarship - \$15,000 - 5 Awards (Deadline: March 15, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

- A) Be a child of a fallen first responder or military service member, OR a child of a first responder or military service member certified as not being able to work.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/26495/911-promise-scholarship>



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**12) American Nuclear Society Scholarship - \$5,000 – 96 Awards (Deadline: April 1, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

A) Be a high school senior who has enrolled full-time in college courses pursuing science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) with an interest in working in nuclear science and technology.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9785/american-nuclear-society-scholarship>

**13) Global Lift Equipment Scholarship - \$500 - 1 Award (Deadline: April 15, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

A) Be currently attending or planning on attending a post-secondary institution in the United States or Canada no later than the Fall of 2024.

B) Have a GPA of 2.5 or greater.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10502/global-lift-equipment-scholarship>

**14) Boomer Esiason Foundation Scholarships - \$10,000 – 20 Awards (Deadline: April 26, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

A) Have been diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis.

B) Be able to demonstrate scholastic ability, character, leadership potential, service to the community and need for financial assistance.

Applications can be found by going to:

<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9464/boomer-esiason-foundation-academic-scholarships>

**15) Review It Scholarship - \$1,000 - 1 Award (Deadline: May 15, 2024)**

To be eligible for the scholarship a student must:

A) Be attending college or university no later than September of 2024.

B) Have a GPA of 2.5 or greater and plan on attending a school in the United States.

Applications can be found by going to:

[https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/13677/review\\_it\\_scholarship](https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/13677/review_it_scholarship)



Dear High School Counselor, Teacher, or Principal,

**AmFirst is looking for "Rising Stars" to award six \$5,000 scholarships!**

America's First Federal Credit Union and WBRC FOX6 News are joining together to recognize "Rising Stars" in Central Alabama. We are looking for your help to identify star students who are serving in their community, participating in extracurricular activities, and maintaining a 3.0 GPA or better. Nominees must be high school seniors who intend to enter college or trade school in the fall of 2024. AmFirst and WBRC FOX6 News will feature 30 "Rising Stars" throughout the 2023-2024 school year. At the end of the academic year, AmFirst will award six of the thirty students a \$5,000 scholarship.

This is a very impressive, honorable award to receive and will be something the student will be very proud of, not to mention, an addition to their future resume.

**The 30 weekly "Rising Stars" will receive:**

- Recognition on television (WBRC FOX6 News)
- AmFirst prize package
- An engraved trophy with the winning student's name and school
- \$50 AmFirst Visa® Gift Card
- **Opportunity to earn a \$5,000 scholarship**

Nominations can be made by mailing the enclosed nomination form to WBRC FOX6 News, Attn: Rising Star, 1720 Valley View Dr., Birmingham, AL 35209 or by emailing form to frylee@wbrc.com. There is no limit to the number of students you can nominate; however, only one student from your school may be selected as one of the 30 weekly winners. Nominations must be submitted by a teacher, principal, or counselor. Entries must comply with applicable law, including but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Contest rules are located at <https://www.wbrc.com/2022/08/04/americas-first-federal-credit-union-wbrc-fox6-news-rising-star-scholarship/>.

All students who are selected as weekly winners will be eligible for one of the \$5,000 scholarships. Scholarships will be awarded based on an interview process. Interview information will be provided via e-mail if your student is chosen as a weekly winner.

All weekly winners will be invited to a banquet in the spring of 2024 that will be hosted by AmFirst and WBRC FOX6 News. Scholarship winners will be announced at the banquet.

Nominations for Rising Stars will be accepted until **February 16, 2024**. We wish you and your students success this school year and we look forward to meeting Central Alabama's Rising Stars!

Sincerely,

Jason Mathews, VP and General Manager,  
WBRC FOX6 News

Bill Connor, President and CEO,  
America's First Federal Credit Union





WBRC FOX6 NEWS

# RISING STAR

SPONSORED BY:  AmFirst

\*Parent/guardian must sign date below giving permission for nomination.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Submission Form

To submit nomination electronically, please email form to [frylee@wbrc.com](mailto:frylee@wbrc.com)  
(please print)

School's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Community Involvement: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Student's Extra Curricular Activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Student's GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Why this student should be selected: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Faculty Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Faculty Member's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

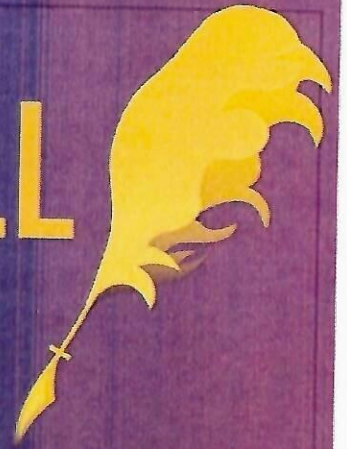
Nominating Faculty Member's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

       Please initial: I have received consent from the parent/guardian of the above student to (1) be nominated for the Rising Star Scholarship Program; (2) to disclose the information above pursuant applicable law, including but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA); and (3) for said student to be bound by the terms and conditions of the Rising Star Scholarship Program set forth at <https://www.wbrc.com/2022/08/04/americas-first-federal-credit-union-wbrc-fox6-news-rising-star-scholarship/>.

If preferred, you may also mail this form back to:  
WBRC FOX6 News, Attn: Rising Star, 1720 Valley View Dr., Birmingham, AL 35209



# THE JIM HARRELL POETRY PRIZE



**The Jim Harrell Poetry Prize recognizes talent and promise in the writing of original poetry.**

**First Place:** One (1) \$2,000 scholarship to UM

**Second Place:** One (1) \$1,000 scholarship to UM

**Eligibility:** Alabama high school seniors or equivalent — including those in public, private, homeschooling or alternative education settings — who plan to attend the University of Montevallo

**Guidelines:**

Each contestant should submit one (1) original poem only, written solely by the contestant, typed in a plain font either in the body of an email or attached to it (.doc preferred).

2. The subject of the email should be "Harrell Prize Submission."
3. The poem should not be more than one hundred (100) lines long.
4. The email must include the poet's name, the name and email of the sponsoring teacher, guidance counselor, or parent, and the name of the student's high school (when applicable).
5. All entries should be sent to the Contest Administrator, Dr. Jim Murphy, at [murphyj@montevallo.edu](mailto:murphyj@montevallo.edu)
6. Entries must be received by March 15. No late entries will be accepted.
7. Scholarships may be applied toward tuition, fees and books during the first year's enrollment at UM. No cash will change hands.
8. Award is a one-time scholarship and may not be renewed.

**Judging:** All entries will be judged anonymously by professionals in the field. Winners will be contacted by May 1.

**For more information**, contact Dr. Jim Murphy at [murphyj@montevallo.edu](mailto:murphyj@montevallo.edu)

Sponsored by the University of Montevallo. Provided through the generosity of James N. Harrell.

## JOHN C. SLOVENSKY SCHOLARSHIP

Offered by

St. Clair County Education Retirees Association

Name - (print) \_\_\_\_\_.

Address

\_\_\_\_\_.

High School Address

\_\_\_\_\_.

Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_.

Parent or Guardian's full name \_\_\_\_\_.

G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of guidance counselor \_\_\_\_\_.

Write a brief paragraph explaining why you chose the field of education as a career (Separate sheet of paper)

Name of college/university you plan to attend \_\_\_\_\_.

This scholarship is in the amount of \$750.00. The requirements are that the recipient be:

1. Graduating senior with definite interest in the field of education as a career.
2. Graduating senior of good character, above average academically and a pleasing person.
3. Graduating senior who will use the money wisely.

The check for the scholarship will be made out to the college or University of the student's choice upon proof of enrollment in that institution.

\_\_\_\_\_.

Student Signature



## Completing the 2024 High School Senior Scholarship Application

The 2024 High School Senior Scholarship Application is available on our website at [www.gadsdenstate.edu](http://www.gadsdenstate.edu). These scholarships are open to all high school students in the graduating class of 2024.

**College Application opens – October 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Scholarship Application opens – November 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Scholarship Deadline – February 1<sup>st</sup> 11:59pm**

### Step 1: APPLY TO GADSDEN STATE

- Visit [www.gadsdenstate.edu](http://www.gadsdenstate.edu)
- Click on *Apply* to submit an application to the college.
- Create an account (or log in to an existing account) with a personal email address.
- The system will email a link to reset the password (only click reset 1 time.)
- Triple check the application before submission! Information from the college application will automatically transfer to the scholarship application.
  - No nicknames on the application! Do not put a nickname for the *Preferred First Name*.
  - SSN, high school name, and graduation year **must** be accurate.
- **IMPORTANT:** Submit the college application at **least 2 weeks prior** to the scholarship deadline. Students will need GSCC credentials before completing the scholarship application.

### Step 2: APPLY FOR GADSDEN STATE SCHOLARSHIPS

- Gather the required information
  - GSCC Student ID and password (provided by the Admissions Office once the college application is cleared)
  - High school transcript as of the end of 11<sup>th</sup> grade
  - Required of some students: Proof of highest composite ACT score (*Super scores not accepted*). Submission must clearly show applicant's name.)
- Visit the [Gadsdenstate.edu/scholarships](http://Gadsdenstate.edu/scholarships) to review available scholarships for graduating high school seniors and to apply.
- The scholarship application uses information from the college application to automatically filter students into the correct pool for scholarship consideration. Certain scholarships will require additional information (essay, letter of recommendation, resume, etc.) and students will be asked if they wish to apply for these scholarships.

### IMPORTANT:

- *Students can save their application and return to finish it later.*
- Application submissions are **FINAL**. The only updates allowed are ACT score increases and program of study changes up to the scholarship deadline.
- **Do NOT wait until February 1<sup>st</sup> to attempt submission of both applications.** If the college application is not processed, students will not have the GSCC credentials required to complete the scholarship application.

**If you have any other questions, contact:**  
**Scholarship Manager, Gadsden State Community College**  
**256-549-8203**  
**[scholarships@gadsdenstate.edu](mailto:scholarships@gadsdenstate.edu)**



## Counselor's Scholarship Fact Sheet

### Counselor's Scholarship – Academic:

- Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher to apply.
- Must have applied for Fall 2024 Admissions to Jefferson State Community College.
- Complete a 2024-2025 FASFA for Jefferson State Community College.

### Counselor's Scholarship – Career Technical:

- Students must enroll/remain enrolled in a non-health science AAS CTE program at Jefferson State.
- Must have been involved in CTE in high school.
- Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher to apply.
- Must have applied for Fall 2024 Admissions to Jefferson State Community College.
- Complete a 2024-2025 FASFA for Jefferson State Community College.

Deadline to apply: ~~July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024~~

April 1<sup>st</sup> to  
Mrs. Marbury

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April 1<sup>st</sup> to  
Mrs. Marbury

### A complete nomination packet must include the following:

1. JSCC Counselor's Scholarship Nomination Form
2. Letter of recommendation from the counselor on school letterhead that includes the student's contact information (name, address, and phone number)
3. Copy of the student's official transcript with the cumulative GPA

\*Incomplete nomination packets will not be accepted.



Jefferson State Community College
2024-2025 Counselor's
Scholarship Nomination Form
Academic

Deadline for Submission: July 31st, 2024

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Only one nomination from each school

Counselor's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Information

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_

Last four of SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for admission to Jefferson State? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please provide A Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I grant permission to release information from my educational and financial records to scholarship donors. If awarded a scholarship, I grant permission to Jefferson State Community College to issue press releases.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

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\*If mailed, this form must be postmarked by the July 31st, 2024 deadline.

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Jefferson State Community College
2024-2025 Counselor's
Scholarship Nomination Form
Career Technical

Deadline for Submission: July 31st, 2024

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Only one nomination from each school

Counselor's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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