

WORKING STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

RCC STUDENTS CONFRONT A VARIETY OF OBLIGATIONS THAT CONFLICT WITH THEIR EDUCATIONAL GOALS. CURRENTLY ABOUT 20% OF RCC STUDENTS DO NOT RECEIVE ANY SORT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. FOR MANY STUDENTS, THE LACK OF FUNDS COUPLED WITH COMPETING WORK AND FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES WILL PROLONG THEIR TIME IN SCHOOL OR EVEN CAUSE THEM TO DROP OUT. THE RCC WORKING SCHOLARSHIP IS DESIGNED TO HELP EASE THAT BURDEN SO STUDENTS CAN COMPLETE THEIR DEGREE.

APPLICATION CRITERIA CHECKLIST

1. STUDENTS MUST SUBMIT A FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) ONLINE AT WWW.FAFSA.ED.GOV AND AN RCC WORKING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION.
2. APPLICATIONS MUST BE FULLY COMPLETED. ALL APPLICATIONS WITHOUT EMPLOYER SIGNATURES WILL BE VOID.
3. STUDENTS AND/OR FAMILY MEMBERS MUST ALSO VERIFY EMPLOYMENT WITH A RECENT W-2 FORM, PAY-CHECK STUB OR PREFERABLY A STATEMENT FROM THE EMPLOYER OF THE EMPLOYED FAMILY MEMBER ON COMPANY LETTERHEAD.
4. ONLY STUDENTS WHO DO NOT RECEIVE A FULL FEDERAL PELL GRANT AWARD ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP.
5. ELIGIBLE STUDENTS AND/OR FAMILY MEMBER MUST BE EMPLOYED AT LEAST 10 HOURS A WEEK.
6. PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO APPLICANTS WHO HAVE A 3.0 HIGH SCHOOL, RCC OR COLLEGE TRANSFER G.P.A.
7. FULL-TIME (12 HOURS OR MORE) STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE \$500 EACH SEMESTER.
THREE-QUARTER TIME STUDENTS (9-11 HOURS) WILL RECEIVE \$350
ONE-HALF TIME STUDENTS (6-8 HOURS) WILL RECEIVE \$250.
8. THE APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE RCC FINANCIAL AID OFFICE **BY JULY 1ST** FOR THE FALL SEMESTER AND **BY NOVEMBER 25TH** FOR THE SPRING SEMESTER.
9. SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY LETTER BY JULY 31ST FOR FALL AWARDS AND DECEMBER 19TH FOR SPRING AWARDS.
10. THE FINANCIAL AID COMMITTEE WILL REQUEST YOUR ATTENDANCE AT THE ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP BANQUET TO BE HELD IN THE SPRING OF EACH YEAR.

QUESTIONS

PLEASE CALL THE RCC FINANCIAL AID OFFICE AT 410-1726 OR SUBMIT QUESTIONS TO JON CARTER AT JDCARTER@RICHMONDCC.EDU