

# Scholarships

Wallace State Community College offers a variety of scholarships. The appropriate scholarship committee reviews all complete scholarship applications. Scholarship applicants must complete the FAFSA as part of the current application process. Scholarships are subject to maximum number of hours for the type of award as defined by State Board Policy. Listed below are some scholarships that are available. Students must be an Alabama resident and a U.S. citizen to qualify for any institutional scholarships. Private scholarships are not subject to these rules. Recipients of athletic scholarships must be U.S. citizens. Scholarship applications must be completed online at [wallacestate.edu/financial-aid/wscs-scholarships](http://wallacestate.edu/financial-aid/wscs-scholarships).

**a. Presidential Scholarships** are available to students based on a combination of the ACT composite score, the cumulative grade point average, and a mission statement. ACT score plus grade point average must equal 30 (e.g., ACT 27 + GPA 3.0 = 30.) Proof of ACT score and GPA will be obtained by our scholarship committee from the high school counselor (if the student is still in high school) or via WSCC transcripts/records. The mission statement should be no more than 300 words and should be based on what the student hopes to accomplish as a result of receiving a scholarship. Incomplete applications will be discarded. The deadline is February 15th.

**b. Academic Excellence Scholarships** are available to students majoring in an academic field of study at WSCC. They are based on the ACT composite score, cumulative grade point average, and a mission statement. ACT score plus grade point average must equal 27 (e.g., ACT 24 + GPA 3.0 = 27.) Proof of ACT score and GPA will be obtained by our scholarship committee from the high school counselor (if the student is still in high school) or via WSCC transcripts/records. The mission statement should be no more than 300 words and should be based on what the student hopes to accomplish as a result of receiving a scholarship. Incomplete applications will be discarded. The deadline is February 15th.

**c. Leadership Scholarships** are available to students, in any major, who portray leadership skills. They are based on a combination of the ACT composite score, the cumulative grade point average, a list of 10 activities which document outstanding leadership and community service, and a mission statement. ACT score plus grade point average must equal 24 (e.g., ACT 21 + GPA 3.0 = 24.) Proof of ACT score and GPA will be obtained by our scholarship committee from the high school counselor (if the student is still in high school) or via WSCC transcripts/records. The mission statement should be no more than 300 words and should be based on what the student hopes to accomplish as a result of receiving a scholarship. Incomplete applications will be discarded. The deadline is February 15th.

**d. Allied Health Scholarships** are available to students majoring in health care programs at WSCC. They are based on the ACT composite score, cumulative GPA (must be 3.0 or higher), and documentation of outstanding leadership, community service and volunteer work in a health-related field as well as a mission statement. The mission statement should be no more than 300 words and should be based on what the student hopes to accomplish as a result of receiving a scholarship. If the chosen health program requires a minimum ACT score, the student's ACT score must be equal to or exceed the required minimum score. All Allied Health Scholarship recipients must meet the admissions criteria for the chosen field of study. Scholarships will be voided if the student is not formally accepted into their chosen health program. Proof of ACT score and GPA will be obtained by our scholarship committee from the high school counselor (if the student is still in high school) or via WSCC transcripts/records. Incomplete applications will be discarded. The deadline is February 15th.

**e. Career/Technical Scholarships** are available to students majoring in a technical field of study at WSCC. These scholarships are based on technical achievement. The student will be required to include a mission statement with their scholarship application. The mission statement should be no more than 300 words and should be based on what the student hopes to accomplish as a result of receiving a scholarship. If awarded a scholarship, the student must take 75% of their classes in their major field of study. Additional academic classes may be taken toward an A.A.S degree in the technical field. Incomplete applications will be discarded. The deadline is February 15th.

**f. Future Foundation Scholarships** - The Future Foundation awards more than \$300,000 annually in scholarships. There are over 150 scholarships available for future Wallace State students and for those currently enrolled at Wallace.

Scholarship funds can be combined with institutional scholarships, federal student aid, and outside scholarship awards. Students must be accepted to Wallace State and have a WSCC email address to apply. Applications are completed through the Future Foundation application process which is open online every Spring.

**g. Performing Arts Scholarships** are awarded through the audition process. Auditions are held during the spring semester (normally in late February or early March). Contact the WSCC Music Department at (256) 352-8277 for dates and application procedures.

**h. Athletic Scholarships** are awarded in men and women's basketball, baseball, softball, volleyball, golf, soccer, tennis, cross-country and cheerleading. A prospective student should contact the Wallace State coaches for try-out dates.

**i. Senior Adult Scholarship Program** - Students meeting institutional admission requirements, who are 60 years of age or older, are eligible for the Senior Adult Scholarship Program, which covers tuition but only up to a maximum of 82 credit hours. The scholarship can be used for transitional and credit courses leading to an associate degree, diploma, or certificate. Repeat courses are not eligible. Students must pay fees by the published deadlines.

**j. GED Scholarship (One Free Class)** - Upon completion of the GED test in the State of Alabama, students who have passed the exam after July 2002 qualify for one class up to 4 credit hours, one-time scholarship award.

**k. WSCC Presidential Service Scholarships** – Committee selected and approved Campus service hours and participation is required.

**l. WSCC Employee and Dependent Tuition Waiver** – The tuition waiver program pays for tuition only. It is designed for all full-time and Salary Schedule H-35 employees of The Alabama College System and the Alabama Community College System and their dependent as defined under Section II. An application form for the tuition assistance program is available at each institution and should be completed prior to registration for classes. Students must pay balance due by the published deadlines.

**m. WSCC Ambassador Scholarships** – Sponsor/committee selected and approved. Campus service hours and meeting attendance is required.

**n. Miscellaneous** – Students may receive a miscellaneous scholarship for various competitions, commitments and give-a-ways throughout the year, such as First-Year Gateway, Youth Leadership Development Program (YLDP), and Sigma Kappa Delta.