THE HOWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SHCOOLS
EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Dear Scholarship Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Bright Minds Foundation JumpStart Dual Enrollment Books and Fees Scholarship Program. This program is administered by Bright Minds Foundations (BMF), the official educational foundation for Howard County Public School System (HCPSS). Every complete application received by the required deadline will be given a fair and careful evaluation. Awards are given without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, disability or national origin. All information will be held in strict confidence by BMF. All applications become the property of BMF and cannot be returned.

Carefully review your completed application before it is submitted. BMF reserves the right to process those applications found to be complete by the application deadline. **You are responsible for submitting all required information in one complete application.** Guidelines and application follow:

Guidelines and Application

The Bright Minds Foundation JumpStart Books and Fees Scholarship Program was created to assist students by covering the cost of textbooks and fees while taking courses on Howard Community College's (HCC's) campus. Applications are open to students meeting all three of the below criteria:

- Enrolled in HCPSS JumpStart Dual Enrollment Program
- Currently qualified to receive Free and Reduced Meals (FARMs) through HCPSS
- Taking courses that are scheduled remote, flexible online, or hybrid through HCC

Students must reapply each semester.

Click here to access the application.

Application Process

Applicants must submit a complete application via Google Forms. Applications must be received by December 13, 2019 by 11:59 PM for the upcoming winter and or spring semester(s).

Selection Process and Notification

Scholarship recipients are selected according to application presentation and personal statement on a competitive basis. The number of scholarships awarded will be based on the BMF selection procedures and available funds.

All applicants will be informed of their status via HCC or HCPSS email.
Winter and Spring: Notifications sent on or before December 21, 2020

Award and Payment

The Bright Minds Foundation JumpStart Dual Enrollment Books and Fees Scholarship is a **one-time non-renewable award covering up to $250 total cost** of student books and course fees. Awards are paid directly to HCC Cashier's Office and Bookstore.

Books must be picked up by end of first week of semester or the scholarship, including fees associated with the course, is void.

Revision Policy
The general conditions and procedures under which scholarships are made are subject to periodic review by the Bright Minds Foundation, including termination of the program.

Bright Minds Foundation JumpStart Dual Enrollment Scholarship Application

*Required

Applicant Information

Student Last Name:*

Student Middle Initial:*

Student First Name:*

Home Address:*

HCPSS Student ID:*

HCC Student ID:*

HCPSS Grade Level:*

HCC Email:*

Parent/Garden First Name: *

Parent/Garden Last Name: *

Parent/Garden Email: *

Parent/Garden Phone Number: *

HCPSS and JumpStart Information

HCPSS Home School*

JumpStart Program:*
- Flexible
- Structured

JumpStart Course Progression (If Applicable):
- General Students
- General Studies – STEM
- General Students – 60 Credits
- Computer Science
- Criminal Justice
- Cybersecurity
- Entrepreneurship

- Health Education
- Nursing
- Public Health
- Secondary Teacher Education

Requested Semester:*
- Fall
- Winter
- Spring

Anticipated number of credits taken this semester:*

Personal Statements
Answer each of the following statements in 500 words or less.

Write a brief statement describing your educational plans and/or your career goals as they relate to the JumpStart Dual Enrollment program.*

Write a brief statement describing why you deserve the scholarship. Be sure to include examples that highlight your personal character and strengths.*

Electronic Signature

HCPSS Electronic Signature

I give consent for Howard County Public School System to share information, including qualification for Free and Reduced Meals, with Bright Minds in order to determine scholarship eligibility.*
- Yes
- No

Parent Electronic Signature (Type Name):*

Date:*

Bright Minds Foundation Electronic Signature

By submitting this application, the applicant certifies that the information contained is complete and accurate to the best of their knowledge.*
- Yes
- No

By submitting this application, the applicant understands that Bright Minds Foundation will share information with Howard Community College and Howard Community College Foundation for the purpose of covering the cost of books and class fees.*
- Yes
- No

By checking yes, the applicant gives Bright Minds Foundation permission to use non-personally identifiable information contacted in the application for marketing and publicity purposes, and

may be published in brochures, on Bright Minds Foundation’s website and social media, and other such places.

- Yes
- No

Parent Electronic Signature (Type Name):*

Date:*