



Bright Minds JumpStart Books & Course Fees Scholarship
Fall 2023
Student Application

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Thank you for your interest in the Bright Minds JumpStart Books and Fees Scholarship!

This scholarship was established by Bright Minds Foundation (the Howard County public schools education foundation) to help eligible JumpStart Dual Enrollment students cover the costs of textbooks and course fees for students taking courses at HCC.

Applications are open to all students meeting 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 (i.e., on HCC campus)

Amount

This scholarship is a one-time award covering **up to \$300** of the cost of student books and course fees.

Deadline

The deadline to submit completed applications is 11:59 pm on August 13, 2023. Based on funding availability, the second round deadline is 11:59 pm on September 5, 2023.

Students must reapply for this scholarship each semester. This application form will send you a copy of your submission.

What is Covered

Scholarship funds cover required course materials, such as textbooks and access codes, purchased through the HCC bookstore. Unfortunately, scholarship funds are not able to be used for general supplies, including notebooks and calculators. After the book purchase deadline, remaining scholarship balances are transferred to the registrar's office and applied to student course fee balances.

Selection Criteria

Students are responsible for submitting all required information. Every complete application received by the deadline will be given a fair and careful evaluation. The number of scholarships awarded is competitive and based on Bright Minds selection procedures and available funds.

Scholarship recipients are selected based on application presentation (i.e., application is complete and well-written) and content (i.e., application includes thoughtful responses that share your personal goals and experiences).

Awards are given without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, disability or national origin. All information is held in strict confidence by Bright Minds. All applications become Bright Minds property.

Notification

First round scholarship notifications will be sent by August 23, 2023. Second round notifications will be sent by September 11, 2023. All applicants will be informed of their status via the email addresses provided in the application. Parents will be notified at the same time. Please be sure to check junk and spam folders for notifications.

Award and Payment

Awards are paid directly to the HCC Bookstore and Cashier's Office. Instructions for using this award for books, specific course supplies, and course fees will be included in the notification email.

Revision Policy

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

[Checkbox] I have read and understand the guidelines and information regarding the Bright Minds Foundation JumpStart Dual Enrollment Books & Fees Scholarship

[Checkbox] I understand that I will be notified via email about my scholarship award on August 23, 2023 (first round) or September 11, 2023 (second round).

[Checkbox] I understand that the funds will apply to textbooks and required course materials (purchased through the HCC bookstore) and course fees (paid to the HCC cashier). All scholarship funds will be paid directly to HCC.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Student First Name

Student Middle Name

Student Last Name

Home Address (# Street Name, City, State, Zip)

HCPSS Grade Level: 8 / 9 / 10 / 11 / 12

HCPSS Home School

Atholton / Centennial / Glenelg / Guilford Park / Hammond / Homewood / Howard / Long Reach / Marriotts Ridge / Mount Hebron / Oakland Mills / Reservoir / River Hill / Wilde Lake

HCPSS Email

Email where you would like to receive scholarship notification

HCPSS Student ID (9-digit number that can be found on HCPSS Connect)

HCC Student ID (7-digit number found on HCC acceptance letter. Please make sure this number correct. For assistance locating, email jumpstart@hcpss.org.)

Parent/Guardian First Name

Parent/Guardian Last Name

Parent/Guardian Email #1 (both student and parents will receive scholarship notifications)

Parent/Guardian Email #2 (optional)

Parent/Guardian Phone Number

JUMPSTART INFORMATION

JumpStart Program: Flexible / Structured

JumpStart Course Progression (if applicable):

General Studies

General Studies - STEM

General Studies - 60 Credits

Computer Science

Criminal Justice

Cybersecurity

Entrepreneurship

Health Education

Nursing

Public Health

Secondary Teacher Education

Anticipated number of credits taken this semester

Have you received a Bright Minds JumpStart Scholarship previously? (This does not affect your application. We welcome the opportunity to provide continued support for students.) Yes / No

PERSONAL STATEMENT

In 3-5 sentences, please describe what are your post-high school goals and/or dreams (e.g. 5 and 10 years out) and how JumpStart could help you achieve those goals?

In 3-5 sentences, tell us about a personal achievement that makes you proud. Why?

ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES

I give consent for HCPSS to share information, including qualification for Free and Reduced Meals, with Bright Minds in order to determine scholarship eligibility. Yes / No

I understand that Bright Minds Foundation will share information with Howard Community College (HCC) for the purpose of covering the cost of books and class fees. Yes / No

I give Bright Minds Foundation permission to use non-personally identifiable information contained in JumpStart applications for marketing and publicity purposes. Yes / No

Student Electronic Signature (Type Name)

Parent/Guardian Electronic Signature (Type Name)