

Wytheville Community College Educational Foundation, Inc.

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Dear High School Senior:

Congratulations on your upcoming high school graduation! Enclosed is the application packet to apply for all scholarships, including the **Smyth County Promise Scholarship**. We encourage you to continue your education at Wytheville Community College, where you may qualify for **free tuition** and **save up to \$13,000 over the next two years!** The Smyth County Promise Scholarship is available as a "Last Dollar Scholarship" if you meet the following qualifications:

- Have been a resident of Smyth County for your junior and senior year of high school.
- Attended a Smyth County area High School for your junior and senior years of high school.

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To qualify for the Smyth County Promise Scholarship and to attend Wytheville Community College tuition-free, you will need to complete the following steps (please see the attached form to scan QR codes to be taken directly to each step of the application process):

- Now Apply to WCC
 - o If you are a dual enrollment student, you may only need to complete a High School Transition form.
- Mid-December Complete the 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
 - o 2025-2026 FAFSA covers Fall 2025, Spring 2026, and Summer 2026 semesters
 - Financial aid information will be from the 2023 tax year
- **Beginning December 1, 2024** Complete the 2024-2025 online WCC Scholarship Application. The application covers all scholarships, including the Smyth County Promise Scholarship.
 - In your application essay, please be sure to explain why you need a scholarship, including any special circumstances that you may have.

NEXT STEPS

Once you have completed the three items above, you will receive additional information from WCC about the scholarship and how to register for classes. If you have any questions, please contact your WCC Career Coach at your high school, or you may call Amanda Pauley, Scholarship Program Manager, at 276-223-4719, email foundation@wcc.vccs.edu, or come by the Foundation Office in Smyth Hall, Room 147. We strongly encourage you to take advantage of this terrific scholarship opportunity!

Sincerely,

Dean E. Sprinkle

President, WCC

Amanda M. Pauley

Scholarship Program Manager

Enclosures