



SCIENCE EXCEL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2009-2010

Bluegrass Community & Technical College challenges students to excel academically and strives to provide scholarship opportunities for those who achieve academic excellence. This application is the first step for BCTC science students seeking scholarship opportunities.

Science Excel Scholarship Information

Science Excel Scholarships are awarded for one academic year with equal disbursements made in the Fall and Spring semesters. Based on academic talent and financial need as determined by FAFSA, the amount of the award can be up to \$6000.00 per academic year. Scholarship recipients must maintain the required 15 credit hour load at BCTC (developmental and audit classes do not count) and must earn the required 2.5 GPA during the Fall semester in order to qualify for the Spring semester award. The Science Excel Scholarship can be renewed for a second year if the student maintains the 2.5 GPA and completes 30 credit hours of prescribed courses in the first year.

A scholarship recipient receiving other forms of financial aid may have awards adjusted to prevent overawards. In the event a recipient should withdraw from Bluegrass Community & Technical College, the refund will be returned to the scholarship fund according to regular refund policies.

Scholarship recipients must be citizens of the United States, nationals of the United States (as defined in section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act), aliens admitted as refugees under section 207 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, or aliens lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence.

Application Deadline

The Priority Deadline for submitting the Scholarship Application is April 30, 2009. Students who apply after the priority deadline will be considered as alternates for scholarships declined after initial awards are made.

Award Notification

Notification of awards will be made once the Science Excel Scholarship Committee reviews the applicants and submits the nominees to the BCTC scholarship committee and the college President. The college will then send out official notification to selected applicants with a Confirmation Form. Students who accept the offered scholarships must return the Confirmation Form within three weeks. Award notifications are typically mailed during the summer.

Completing the Application

Unless otherwise listed, the award amounts will be determined annually. Students selected to receive Science Excel scholarship awards will be expected to write a thank you letter to the Science Excel Project Team.

Students must apply and be accepted to Bluegrass Community and Technical College to apply for the Science Excel Scholarship. Complete College and scholarship applications must be received before the student will be considered for a scholarship.

Students should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid prior to March 15, 2009 for priority consideration of grants and to allow processing time for scholarship consideration.

SCIENCE EXCEL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please check the item that is applicable to you:

- Incoming Freshman – Fall 2009 Currently Enrolled at BCTC
 BCTC Readmit Transfer Student

Name: _____ SSN: _____

Address: _____
Street

City

State

Zip

County

Telephone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Date of High School Graduation: _____

GED Date (if applicable): _____

Name/Address of High School: _____

Intended/Declared Major: Biology Chemistry Environmental Science Technology Physics

Will you be applying to live on campus? UK dorms Greg Page Apartments

Did either of your parents attend college? Yes No

Are you employed? Yes No

INCOMING FRESHMEN: This section must be completed by the High School Counselor. An official high school transcript, with ACT scores, must be submitted with this application.

High School grade point average (GPA): _____ on 4.00 scale. Rank in Class: _____ of _____

ACT Composite Score: _____ Science ACT score: _____ SAT Score: _____

Counselor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

BCTC is an equal opportunity employer and education institution.

ESSAY REQUIREMENT: Each applicant must submit an original essay with this application. The essay should be at least one typed page in length on the following topic:

Write an essay explaining your desire to achieve an education in one of the required science fields (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, or Environmental Science) and how you will benefit from the scholarship.

All applicants please attach an additional page listing your campus and community involvement including civic, social, religious and other.

TRANSFER STUDENTS: An official college transcript must be submitted with this application.

Name/Address of the school from which you are transferring: _____

Current GPA: _____

Student Release Information:

I hereby verify that all the information provided on this application is accurate. If you are currently enrolled at BCTC this signature gives permission for the Scholarship Committee to review any available academic records in addition to the transcript provided. If selected as a scholarship recipient I hereby give my permission for BCTC and/or the Scholarship Selection Committee to publicly announce my award.

Signature

Date

Please return the completed application by April 30, 2009. Applications submitted without the required transcripts will not be considered.

Return application to: **Bluegrass Community & Technical College**
 Tracy Knowles
 234H Oswald Building
 470 Cooper Dr.
 Lexington, KY 40506
 859-246-6460



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Scholarship Resources

Completing this application is the beginning of the scholarship process. Use the information provided on this page to help you locate other scholarship opportunities.

www.bluegrass.kctcs.edu

Visit our website to review other scholarship opportunities at Bluegrass Community and Technical College.

www.kheaa.com

The Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority offers the Early Childhood Development Scholarship, KHEAA Teacher scholarship and the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship.

www.fastweb.com

FastWeb is the nation's largest source of local, national, and college-specific scholarships.

www.studentaid.ed.gov

Information regarding many federal and state financial aid opportunities can be found on this web site.

www.fafsa.ed.gov

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid is required for many scholarship applications and may also qualify the student for many other types of financial assistance such as grants, work study and student loans.

<http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/edcams/scholarship>

Scholarship scams are prevalent; this web site provides information to protect you and your family from falling prey to these scams.

Check out other sources in your local community including churches, banks and credit unions, companies and even your high school!

BCTC does not discriminate based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies: Marilyn Childre, 470 Cooper Drive, Lexington KY 40506, phone: 859-246-6374