

Southwest Technology Center

NEXT-Next Experience in Training Scholarship

Due no later than Friday, August 7th, 2020

Next Experience in Training (NEXT) Scholarship for full-time programs. The NEXT Scholarship covers up to 1000 hours of tuition for students who meet the qualifications and start the program prior to their 21st birthday.

Applicants must have been awarded a high school diploma from any in-district, public, home-school and maintained a 2.5 GPA. (Transcript required for application.). Or documentation of successfully completing the high school equivalency exam.

Applicants must have completed the FAFSA application [identifying SWTC school code 030087](#) and start the program before their 21st birthday.

NEXT SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES:

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Must reside in the Southwest Technology Center school district and provide proof of residency per the SWTC handbook.
2. Eligibility for a scholarship does not guarantee admission into an occupational program at SWTC. Applicants must complete all admission requirements, be accepted for admission, and be enrolled before this scholarship can be awarded. There are 2 scholarships available in each full-time program.
3. Applicants must either have a high school diploma from any of the in-district public or home schools and have maintained a 2.5 GPA on their transcript or obtained high school equivalency diploma and reside in the SWTC district.
4. Applicants must provide SWTC a final high school transcript with their date of graduation [or a high school equivalency diploma](#).
5. Applicant must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) [identifying SWTC school code 030087](#) each year by going to www.fasfa.gov. Application must be turned in 45 days prior to start date [of program](#) to be eligible for consideration.

Limitations:

1. Only one scholarship per student, per program will be awarded.
2. Only 2 NEXT scholarships per program will be available each year.
3. This scholarship is limited to 1000 hours of tuition waiver. Students will be responsible for any additional hours towards their respective career major.
4. Student must pay for books, fees, equipment, tools, uniforms, and supplies.
5. If eligible, Federal Pell grant funding will be applied to your student account for any remaining tuition. If not eligible, the student is responsible for the remaining tuition amount.
6. Any student who receives a NEXT scholarship is responsible for the payment of tuition if a course is retaken.

7. In accordance to your respective program, the student must maintain satisfactory academic progress throughout the duration of the scholarship award as defined in the student handbook.
8. Student must attend 90% of classroom, lab and clinical instruction (if applicable) throughout the duration of the scholarship.
9. In the event of student written disciplinary action, the scholarship will be revoked and the student will then become responsible to pay remaining tuition to complete the program.
10. Student must begin class prior to their 21st birthday.

STATEMENT OF TERMS & CONDITIONS:

- I understand that I must submit documented proof of In-District residency and continue living within the SWTC district while attending program in accordance to the student handbook.
- I understand that the NEXT scholarship is limited to 1000 hours of tuition only and I am responsible for additional tuition, fees, books, equipment, tools, uniforms, and supplies.
- I understand this scholarship is limited to the completion of one full-time program.
- I understand that I must maintain continuous enrollment throughout the duration of my scholarship.
- I understand I must begin class prior to my 21st birthday to receive and retain this scholarship until the end of the academic school year.
- I understand I cannot use the NEXT scholarship for retaking classes.
- I understand that I will forfeit my NEXT scholarship (1000 hours) if I am unable to complete my program within 2 school years if attending part time or 1 school year if attending full-time.
- I understand I must maintain satisfactory academic progress and attendance throughout the duration of the scholarship award as defined in the student handbook.
- I understand I cannot have any written disciplinary issues during the duration of the scholarship.

By signing this form, I confirm that I have read and understood all the terms and conditions of the NEXT Scholarship listed above and I agree to them if awarded the scholarship.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

MUST INCLUDE

12. **Financial Need:** Attach a narrative, written in your own words: **(1) describe the basis of your need for this scholarship; (2) your educational-training plans; (3) your career plans; and (4) your life and family information, present living situation, employment history including reason for leaving; and (5) other pertinent information.**

13. Indicate your family's adjusted gross income from last year's tax return: (if minor, data for parents)

- _____ under \$15,000
_____ \$15,000 to \$20,000
_____ \$20,000 to \$25,000
_____ \$25,000 to \$30,000
_____ Over \$30,000

14. Total number of family members living in your home _____

15. No. of children of applicant _____ Ages _____

16. If attending school, grade level of each: _____

17. Other financial considerations which you would like considered in the scholarship application _____

18. Please list community service activities or employment activities within the community with which you have been involved _____

19. **Two letters of recommendation/reference from non-family members must be attached.**

Applicant's Signature

Date

Scholarship Evaluation Form

Date _____

Name of Applicant _____

Points Awarded:

- I. Financial Need: _____ (50 points max)
- II. Training/Education/Employment History: _____ (30 points max)
- III. Resident of SWTC District: _____ (10 points max)
- IV. Prospective Fulltime Student: _____ (10 points max)
- V. Letters of Recommendation/Reference _____ (2 required)

Signature of Selection Committee Members:

_____ Date _____
_____ Date _____
_____ Date _____