DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COLLEGE ACCESS PROGRAM
DC-CAP Scholarship FACT SHEET | High School Students
2019-2020 School Year

DC Public and Public Charter School graduates meeting eligibility criteria and enrolled in an accredited four-year college or university are eligible to apply for the DC-CAP Scholarship, for up to $4,000 per year for five years. This award is based on unmet need and is designed to close the financial need gap between the student’s resources, financial aid and the actual college expenses. The award is not guaranteed and is subject to the availability of funds.**

DEADLINE: The DC-CAP Scholarship deadline date for the Class of 2020 is 5/31/20. All documents required to determine eligibility must be provided before the May 31st deadline. Funds may be exhausted prior to the deadline.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Must graduate from a DC Public or Public Charter High School where DC-CAP provides services.
- Register for DC-CAP services by submitting a complete Student Data Card and Student Authorization Form while in high school.
- Have a cumulative high school or college GPA of 2.5.
  - Must enroll in an accredited four year institution.
  - Continuing college students enrolled at four-year institutions must earn at least 24 credits each year to remain eligible to apply for funding.
- Must demonstrate financial need.
- Must attend DC-CAP Pre-College Program the summer prior to freshman enrollment in college.
- Provide proof of full-time college enrollment (from the institution listed on the DC-CAP Scholarship letter) after the institution’s “Add/Drop period” each semester but before the designated DC-CAP deadline dates.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO APPLY:

- Provide a Social Security Number.*
- Must apply for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Tuition Assistance Grant (TAG) and all other available aid to include scholarships.
- Submit a copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) to the DC-CAP Advisor.*
- Provide a copy of the institutional financial aid award letter from the college or university of attendance.
- Must complete a DC-CAP Student Authorization Form.
- Submit your most recent Unofficial Transcript(s).
- Documentation of scholarships and external awards.

* Permanent Residents and International Students receive an exception, but must provide additional Documents (see Non-resident Scholarship application for details).

** Should you be eligible for one, or more DC-CAP Awards the total award cannot exceed $4,000 per academic year for up to five years. You cannot receive the following scholarships simultaneously; DC-CAP Scholarship, Ward 7 & 8 Scholarship, or University Scholarship.