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## **Scholarship Application Instructions**

It is the pleasure of the CFCC Foundation to award scholarships to deserving students every year. This year alone we are giving out over \$425,000 to support our students! Some scholarships are based on financial need, academic merit, and/or earmarked for specific programs, but are all based on donor preference. We encourage every student to fill out an application to see what scholarships you may qualify for and perhaps even link you to other opportunities. **You only need to complete ONE application for CFCC-sponsored scholarships, and it is valid for the entire academic year.** 

**Application cycle is open for applications March 1 – April 30**<sup>th</sup> **and Oct 1 – Oct 31**<sup>st</sup> **each year.** Please read the following instructions and maximize your opportunity to fund the costs of college.

- 1. Please complete your *admissions* process first. As part of the process, CFCC will mail you a status letter that will have instructions about establishing your **myCFCC** username and password on our website. Please follow those instructions. You will need myCFCC credentials to access CFCC's scholarship application.
- 2. Go to your myCFCC portal or <a href="www.cfcc.edu/finaid">www.cfcc.edu/finaid</a>. Click on the "Scholarship Application Instructions" button for instructions. Please read all instructions.
- 3. Next, click on the "CFCC Scholarship Application" button. Sign into the applicant portal with your myCFCC credentials, complete the application.
- 4. Good news! This is the ONLY application you will need to complete for most CFCC scholarships. Our software will auto-match you to every general scholarship for which you qualify.
- 5. A *few* CFCC scholarships have additional requirements, such as an essay, providing a letter of recommendation or answering additional questions. You can view these after you complete your application by clicking on "Opportunities" and selecting "Recommended". Please read the details, choose scholarships for which you qualify, click on the black "Apply" button and follow the instructions. This will add the scholarship to your basket.
- 6. Many CFCC scholarships are based on financial need. We can best determine your need based on the information you provide at <a href="www.fafsa.gov">www.fafsa.gov</a>. This is the same application you fill out for Federal Pell Grants and student loans. Even if you do not qualify for grants and do not intend to take out loans, it is still a requirement to complete the FAFSA for any need-based scholarships.
- 7. This application process covers CFCC-sponsored scholarships **only**. There are many outside scholarship opportunities, as well. Please go to <a href="https://www.cfcc.edu/finaid">www.cfcc.edu/finaid</a> and click on the gold button titled "External Scholarship Opportunities" to view a list of external opportunities.
- 8. Most scholarships require a GPA earned at CFCC. If you are interested in the scholarship process, but have additional questions, please email <a href="mailto:scholarships@cfcc.edu">scholarships@cfcc.edu</a> or call 910-362-7331 to make an appointment with the CFCC Scholarship Coordinator.
- 9. CFCC Scholarship recipients will be notified via campus email of their award(s) by early June for the following summer, fall, and spring semesters if applicable.

The application cycle is open from Mar 1st-April 30th and again Oct 1-31st.

Please contact <a href="mailto:scholarships@cfcc.edu">scholarships@cfcc.edu</a> for assistance.