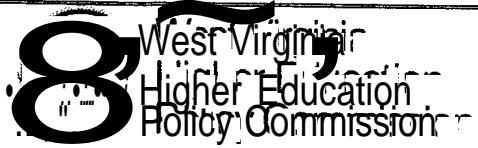


# ENGINEERING, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

## High School Student Application 2009-2010



1018 Kanawha Boulevard, East, Site 1700  
Charleston, West Virginia 25301

**THIS FORM IS TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT AND THE HIGH SCHOOL'S SENIOR CLASS COUNSELOR. A COMPLETE COPY OF THE STUDENT'S HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION. TRANSCRIPTS MUST BE TYPED OR PRINTED. ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE HIGHER EDUCATION POLICY COMMISSION AND POSTMARKED BY MARCH 4, 2009.**

### SECTION A: TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT: PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT (IN INK) ALL ANSWERS

(1) NAME: LAST \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

(2) SOCIAL SECURITY #: \_\_\_\_\_ (3) HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

(4) PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ (5) E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

(6) ARE YOU A U.S. CITIZEN OR RESIDENT? ADEN? \_\_\_\_\_  
YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

(7) NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ (8) DATE OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION: \_\_\_\_\_

(9) IF MALE AND 18 YEARS OF AGE, ARE YOU IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SELECTIVE SERVICE ACT? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

(10) LIST THE SCIENCE AND MATH CLASSES IN PROGRESS

a. \_\_\_\_\_ c. \_\_\_\_\_

bb. \_\_\_\_\_ d. \_\_\_\_\_

(11) PLANNED ACADEMIC FIELD OF STUDY: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please be as specific as possible.)

(12) INSTITUTION TO BE ATTENDED DURING 2009-2010: \_\_\_\_\_

(13) TYPE OF PROGRAM: CERTIFICATE \_\_\_\_\_ ASSOCIATE (2 YEAR) \_\_\_\_\_ BACHELORS (4 YEAR) \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION B: HIGH SCHOOL OFFICIAL'S CERTIFICATION:

(1) CUMULATIVE HIGH SCHOOL GPA (Calculated at the end of the 7<sup>th</sup> semester based on a NONWEIGHTED 4.0 SCALE): \_\_\_\_\_

(2) ACT SCORES: ENGLISH \_\_\_\_\_ MATH \_\_\_\_\_ READING \_\_\_\_\_ SCIENCE REASONING \_\_\_\_\_ COMPOSITE SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

(3) SAT SCORES: VERBAL \_\_\_\_\_ MATH \_\_\_\_\_ COMBINED SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: ONLY ONE SET OF TEST SCORES ARE REQUIRED; HOWEVER, IF THE STUDENT HAS TAKEN BOTH TESTS, AND THE SCORES ARE AVAILABLE PLEASE INCLUDE BOTH SETS OF SCORES. THE HIGHEST SCORE WILL BE USED TO EVALUATE THE STUDENT.**

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS FORM IS TRUE, COMPLETE, AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

SCHOOL OFFICIAL'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT TYPE NAME AND TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

WEST VIRGINIA ENGINEERING, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

APPLICATION FORM

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Please type or print a brief statement as to why you are interested in pursuing a degree or certificate in engineering, science or technology and your commitment to work in a related occupation in West Virginia following graduation. (If needed, additional sheets may be used.)

SECTION C: STUDENT'S STATEMENT

SECTION D: STUDENT'S CERTIFICATION

- \*\*I HAVE REVIEWED THE ABOVE INFORMATION AND CERTIFY THAT IT IS ACCURATE, AND COMPLETE, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.
- \*\*I AGREE TO NOTIFY THE HIGHER EDUCATION POLICY COMMISSION OF ANY CHANGE OR CHANGES IN MY CHOICE OF AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
- \*\*I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SCHOLARSHIP REQUIRES ME TO WORK IN THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA ONE YEAR FOR EACH YEAR I RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP, OR REPAY THE AWARD WITH INTEREST.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**PROGRAM INFORMATION:** The West Virginia Engineering, Science and Technology Scholarship Program is a state funded student aid program designed to enable and encourage academically talented individuals to pursue careers in the fields of engineering, science and technology. Scholarships, not to exceed \$3,000 per academic year, are awarded on the basis of academic qualifications and interest in the fields of engineering, science and technology. The objective is for a recipient to obtain a degree or certificate in engineering, science or technology and to commit to the pursuit of a career in West Virginia.

**PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION AND SCHOLAR SELECTION:** In accordance with statutory provisions, the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission is the administering agency for the West Virginia Engineering, Science and Technology Scholarship Program. A Panel, as provided for in the program's statute, selects the West Virginia Engineering, Science and Technology Scholarship recipients.

**ELIGIBLE STUDENTS:** To qualify for the West Virginia Engineering, Science and Technology Program, a student must meet the following basic selection criteria:

1. Be a United States citizen or resident alien;
2. Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a fulltime student in an engineering, science or technology program leading to a certificate, associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible institution of higher education in West Virginia;
3. Have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent upon graduation from high school or have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale after completing two semesters of course work at an institution of higher education;
4. Agree that within one year after ceasing to be a fulltime student to begin working full-time in an engineering, science or technology field in West Virginia for a duration of one year for each year the scholarship was received or begin a program of community service relating to engineering, science or technology in West Virginia for one year for each year the scholarship was received; and
5. Be willing to repay the scholarship received plus interest and any required collection fees if the student fails to fulfill the work requirement.

Each interested high school student must complete an application for the Engineering, Science and Technology Scholarship Program prior to the academic year for which the student wishes to be considered for the scholarship. High school seniors should apply through their high school counselor. Currently enrolled college/university students must apply for scholarship renewal annually.

Recipients will be required to sign an agreement acknowledging an understanding of the program's requirements and their willingness to repay the award if appropriate work or community service is not rendered. Applications are mailed to individual high schools and higher education institutions in January. Application can be secured online at the link above. The application deadline is March 11 for the upcoming academic year.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Additional information on the Engineering, Science and Technology Scholarship Program may be requested by calling (304) 558-4618 or writing to:

Engineering, Science and Technology Scholarship Program  
West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission  
1101 Kanawha Blvd., East, Suite 700  
Martinsburg, West Virginia 25801

# ENGINEERING, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT

1. We, the undersigned Engineering, Science, and Technology Scholarship recipient (referred hereafter as "the scholar") and the Vice Chancellor for Administration of the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission or her/his designee, agree that the scholar shall:

- work full-time in an engineering, science or technology related field as determined by the Higher Education Policy Commission in this state for not less than one year for each year the scholarship was received;
- begin work in the field of engineering, science and technology in this state within one year of ceasing to be a full-time student;
- provide the Higher Education Policy Commission, as it requires, yearly evidence of compliance with this agreement.

2. We agree that if the scholar is unable to secure full-time employment in this state in the field of engineering, science or technology following the completion of the postsecondary degree, he/she may fulfill the employment obligation for a period of one year for each year the scholarship was received as follows:

- by beginning a program of community service relating to engineering, science or technology in this state as approved in advance by the Higher Education Policy Commission.

3. We agree that if the scholar fails to meet the conditions described in items 1 or 2, if the Higher Education Policy Commission determines the scholar is no longer pursuing a course of study leading to a degree or certificate in engineering, science or technology, the scholar shall:

- repay the amount of the scholarship received prorated according to the portion of the employment obligation completed as determined by the Higher Education Policy Commission;
- pay all reasonable collection costs as determined by the Higher Education Policy Commission; and
- pay a simple, per annum interest charge on the outstanding principal.
- pay interest from the date on which the he/she ceases to fulfill her/his obligation as determined in this agreement. Interest will accrue at a rate set at the greater of the new borrower rates for the federal Stafford or PLUS loan programs.

4. We agree that a scholar required by item 3 to repay her/his scholarship shall enter repayment status:

- six months following the scholar's successful completion of a college degree; or
- on the date the scholar informs the Higher Education Policy Commission he/she plans to discontinue her/his pursuit of a college degree; or
- the date, as determined by the Higher Education Policy Commission, on which the scholar must have begun working in order to have completed her/his employment obligation within ten years after completing the postsecondary education for which the scholarship was awarded.

The scholar shall make monthly payments to the Higher Education Policy Commission. Such payments shall cover principal, interest, late fees (if applicable) and all collection costs not prohibited by law, including but not limited to debt collector's fees and court costs, according to a schedule established by the Higher Education Policy Commission. Complete repayment must be made, within ten years after the scholar enters repayment status (except as provided in item 9), in an annual amount of no less than \$1,200 or the unpaid balance, whichever is less, unless the scholar's inability to pay this amount because of her/his financial condition, has been established to the Higher Education Policy Commission's satisfaction.

5. We agree that a scholar is not considered in violation of the repayment schedule and is eligible for consideration of deferral of fulfilling the obligation during the time he/she is:

- pursuing a full-time course of study at an accredited institution of higher education, (Scholar must request, school officials provide, documentation on enrollment by semester and report any change in enrollment status, academic progress, or other factors that may affect the scholar's status);
- serving on active duty not to exceed 36 months as a member of the Armed Services of the United States (certified with appropriate documentation from an authorized military official of start date of active duty and expected discharge date).

6. We agree that to be considered for any deferrals (as described in item 5), the scholar shall notify the Higher Education Policy Commission in writing of their request for deferral.

7. We agree that during the time a scholar is approved for deferral, the scholar need not make the scholarship repayments, and interest does not accrue. The effective date of a deferral or repayment will be the date on which the scholar's request for deferral is approved.

8. We agree that the Higher Education Policy Commission may extend the ten year scholarship repayment period by a period equal to the length of time a scholar is unable to complete the scholarship repayments within this ten year period because of either his financial condition which has been established to the satisfaction of the Higher Education Policy Commission.

9. We agree that the Higher Education Policy Commission shall cancel a scholar's repayment obligation if it determines:

- the scholar is permanently and totally disabled as established by sworn affidavit of a qualified physician.
- the scholar is permanently and totally disabled as established by sworn affidavit of a qualified physician. Higher Education Policy Commission may require additional evidence of the disability; or
- the scholar has died. This to be documented by a death certificate or other evidence of death that is in accordance with West Virginia law.

10. We agree that to maintain eligibility for a scholarship a scholar must be:

- enrolled as a full-time student at an institution of higher education in West Virginia and is pursuing a course of study leading to a certificate, associate or baccalaureate degree in engineering, science or technology. Enrollment will be verified for a semester basis by an appropriate institutional official.
- maintaining satisfactory progress as determined by the eligible institution.
- maintaining "good standing as defined by the college/university the student is attending and be eligible to return to the institution.
- maintaining a cumulative GPA of at least a 3.0.

11. We agree that a scholar may appeal any determination of non-compliance with provisions of the Engineering, Science, and Technology Scholarship Program, by submitting a written appeal of the same, in compliance with the provisions of the program. Such appeal shall be submitted to the Vice Chancellor for Administration of the Higher Education Policy Commission in the designated form for a decision.

**THE PARTIES AGREE THAT THIS AGREEMENT IS SUBJECT TO REVISIONS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY FEDERAL OR STATE AUTHORITIES HAVING JURISDICTION OVER THE ENGINEERING, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AND THAT SUCH REQUIRED REVISIONS SHALL AUTOMATICALLY BECOME PART OF THIS AGREEMENT UPON WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE STUDENT.**

I have read and I understand all the above and I hereby agree to abide by all the rules and regulations for the Engineering, Science, and Technology Scholarship Program, as set forth by the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission. I also agree to hold a student that it is my responsibility to inform the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission of any change or changes in my name, address, enrollment, or employment status regarding this program.

Student' Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student' Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of WV Higher Education Policy Commission Official: DeLene Elmore, Financial Aid Program Coordinator

Signature of WV Higher Education Policy Commission Official: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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