



Dear Scholarship Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Bright Minds Foundation JumpStart Dual Enrollment Books and Fees Scholarship Program. This program is administered by Bright Minds Foundations (BMF), the official educational foundation for Howard County Public School System (HCPSS). Every complete application received by the required deadline will be given a fair and careful evaluation. Awards are given without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, disability or national origin. All information will be held in strict confidence by BMF. All applications become the property of BMF and cannot be returned.

Carefully review your completed application before it is submitted. BMF reserves the right to process those applications found to be complete by the application deadline. **You are responsible for submitting all required information in one complete application.** Guidelines and application follow:

### **Guidelines and Application**

The Bright Minds Foundation JumpStart Books and Fees Scholarship Program was created to assist students by covering the cost of textbooks and fees while taking courses on Howard Community College's (HCC's) campus. Applications are open to students meeting all three of the below criteria:

- Enrolled in HCPSS JumpStart Dual Enrollment Program
- Enrolled in HCPSS Free and Reduced Meals (FARMs)
- Taking courses on HCC's campus

Students must reapply each semester.

### **Application Process**

Applicants must submit a complete application via Google Forms. Applications must be received by the following schedule:

- **Priority Deadline:** November 30, 2019
- **Secondary Deadline:** January 3, 2020
  - Applications will be considered on a case-by-case bases, as funds are available, after the January 3, 2020 deadline. Applicants must contact [scholarships@brightmindsfoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@brightmindsfoundation.org) to apply.

### **Selection Process and Notification**

Scholarship recipients are selected according to application presentation and personal statement on a competitive basis. The number of scholarships awarded will be based on the BMF selection procedures and available funds.

**All applicants will be informed of their status via HCC or HCPSS email. Be sure to check junk and spam folders for notifications.**

**Priority Deadline:** Notifications sent on or before December 13, 2019

**Secondary Deadline:** Notifications sent on or before January 16, 2020

### **Award and Payment**

The Bright Minds Foundation JumpStart Dual Enrollment Books and Fees Scholarship is a one-time non-renewable award. Awards are paid directly to HCC Cashier's Office and Bookstore.

**Books must be picked up by February 18, 2020 or the scholarship, including fees associated with the course, is void.**

**Revision Policy**

The general conditions and procedures under which scholarships are made are subject to periodic review by the Bright Minds Foundation, including termination of the program.

**Bright Minds Foundation JumpStart Dual Enrollment Scholarship Application**

**\*Required**

**Applicant Information**

Student Last Name:\*

Student First Name:\*

Student Middle Name:\*

Home Address:\*

HCPSS Student ID:\*

HCC Student ID:\*

HCPSS Grade Level: \*

HCC Email:\*

Parent/Guardian First Name: \*

Parent/Guardian Last Name: \*

Parent/Guardian Email: \*

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: \*

**HCPSS and JumpStart Information**

HCPSS Home School\*

JumpStart Program: Flexible or Structured

JumpStart Course Progression (If Applicable):

- General Studies
- General Studies – STEM
- General Studies – 60 Credits
- Computer Science
- Criminal Justice

- Cybersecurity
- Entrepreneurship
- Health Education
- Nursing
- Public Health
- Secondary Teacher Education

Requested Semester:\*

- Winter
- Spring
- Winter and Spring

Anticipated number of credits taken this semester:\*

### **Personal Statement**

Write a brief statement of 500 words or less describing your need for this scholarship, as well as your educational plans as they relate to the JumpStart Dual Enrollment program, and why you feel BMF's scholarship will help you achieve these goals. Be sure to include examples that highlight your personal character and strengths.\*

### **Electronic Signatures**

#### **HCPSS Electronic Signature**

I give consent for Howard County Public School System to share information, including qualification for Free and Reduced Meals, with Bright Minds in order to determine scholarship eligibility.\*

Parent/Guardian Electronic Signature (Type Name):\*

Date:\*

#### **Bright Minds Foundation Electronic Signature**

By submitting this application, the applicant certifies that the information contained is complete and accurate to the best of their knowledge.\*

By submitting this application, the applicant understands that Bright Minds Foundation will share information with Howard Community College for the purpose of covering the cost of books and class fees.\*

By checking this box, the applicant gives Bright Minds Foundation permission to use non-personally identifiable information contacted in the application for marketing and publicity purposes, and may be published in brochures, on Bright Minds Foundation's website and social media, and other such places.

Parent/Guardian Electronic Signature (Type Name):\*

Date:\*