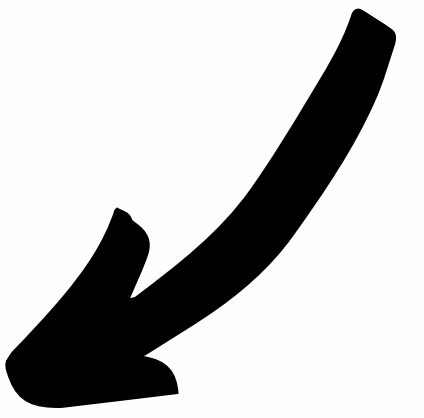


C/O 2025



SENIOR PRESENTATIONS

Vernon Malone College
and Career Academy



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TODAY'S AGENDA



- 1 GETTING TO GRADUATION & GRADE 13

- 2 POST-SECONDARY OPTIONS

- 3 APPLYING TO COLLEGE & COLLEGE MATCH AND FIT

- 4 APPLICATION PROCESS & PAYING FOR COLLEGE RESOURCES

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

MATH

- Math 1
- Math 2
- Math 3
- 4th Math

ENGLISH

- English I
- English II
- English III/ AP Language
- English IV/ AP Literature

SOCIAL STUDIES

- World History
- Civic Literacy
- American History/APUSH
- Econ & Personal Finance

SCIENCE

- Earth and Environmental Science/
AP Environmental
- Biology
- A Physical Science
 - Physical Science
 - Chemistry

HEALTHFUL LIVING

- Healthful Living

ELECTIVES

2 must be in same area:

- CTE
- Fine Arts
- World Language

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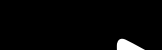
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= TOTAL 22



POSTSECONDARY OPTIONS

Grade 13

Military

2-Year
College

4-Year
College

Full-Time
Employment

GRADE 13



ONE MORE YEAR!



- Additional year of high school at VMCCA during which students enroll in additional WTCC program area courses free-of-charge.
 - Textbooks and transportation are the financial responsibility of the family.
- Students may enroll in 9-12 credits within their current Program of Study per semester on Wake Tech CC campuses.
- Students must stay connected to WCPSS with a VMCCA course.
 - 1 year-long CTE Internship or 2 semester-long online courses through NCVPS (1 per semester)

GRADE 13 NEXT STEPS

DISCUSS WITH
COUNSELOR DURING
FALL SEMESTER

→ **01**

COMPLETE GRADE 13
LETTER OF INTENT
FORM BY JAN. 2025

→ **02**

CONSULT WITH WTCC
LIASON DURING
SPRING SEMESTER

→ **03**

INTERESTED IN THE MILITARY?

- Meet with a branch recruiter to learn about opportunities and requirements.
- Take the ASVAB - [Date TBD](#)
- There are a wide variety of career and educational opportunities within each branch.
- Opportunities for paid college tuition through the military.

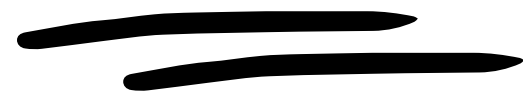


2-YEAR VS. 4-YEAR

When deciding between 2-year and 4-year colleges, students must weigh a number of different factors including:

- Career Goals
- Affordability
- Preparedness

NC COMMUNITY COLLEGES



ADMISSION



Open enrollment requires only your high school diploma. Your GPA or SAT/ACT scores are used to determine proper course placement, and competitive programs (Nursing, Dental Hygiene, etc.) may have additional admissions requirements.

PROGRAM OPTIONS



- Complete certificate(s), finish diploma or Associate Degree
- College Transfer Program

AFFORDABILITY



Fulltime (12 credit) semester = Approx. \$1,200 per semester (approx. \$2400 per year)



**NC COMMUNITY
COLLEGES**

01

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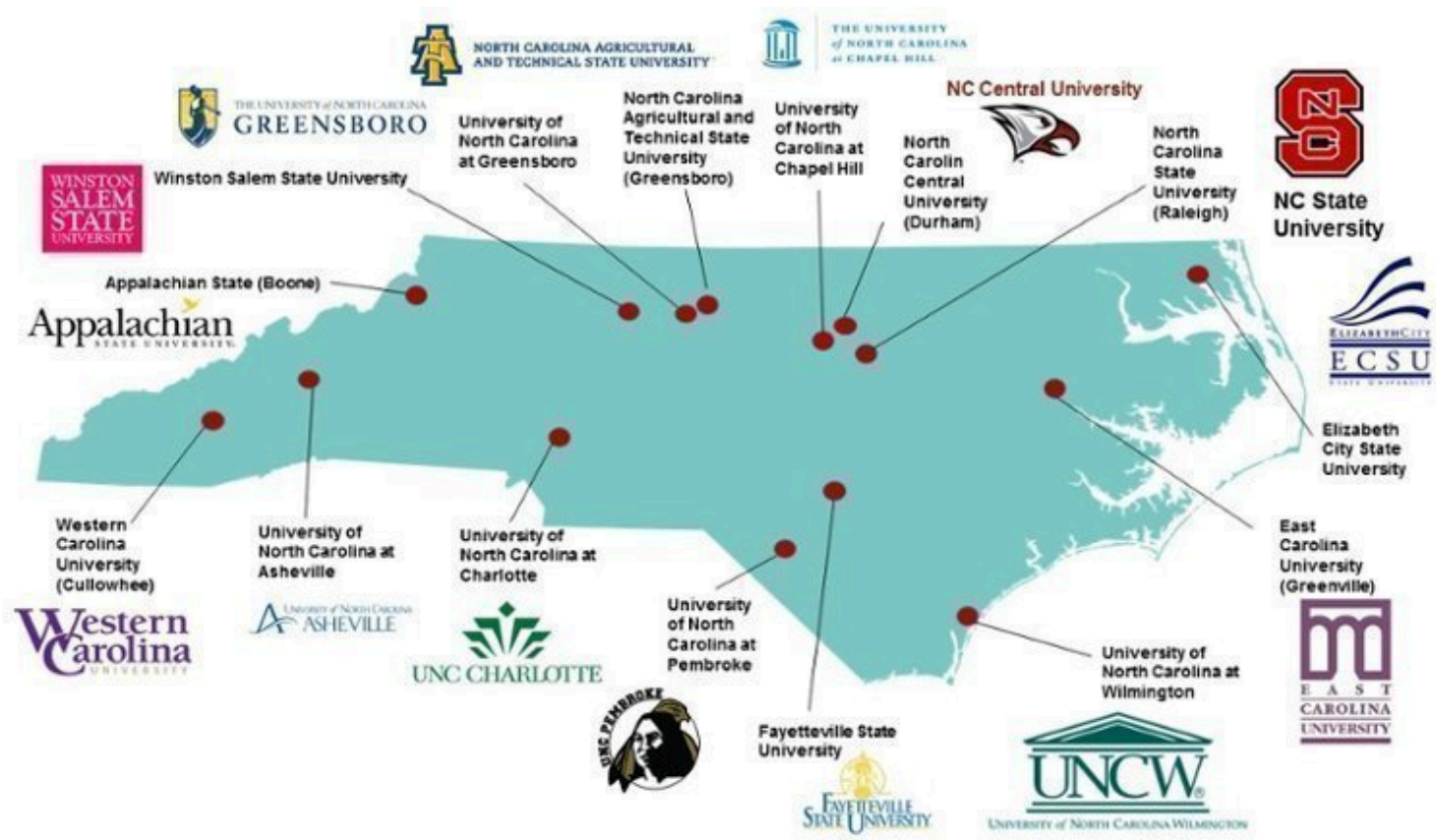
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4-YEAR UNIVERSITIES

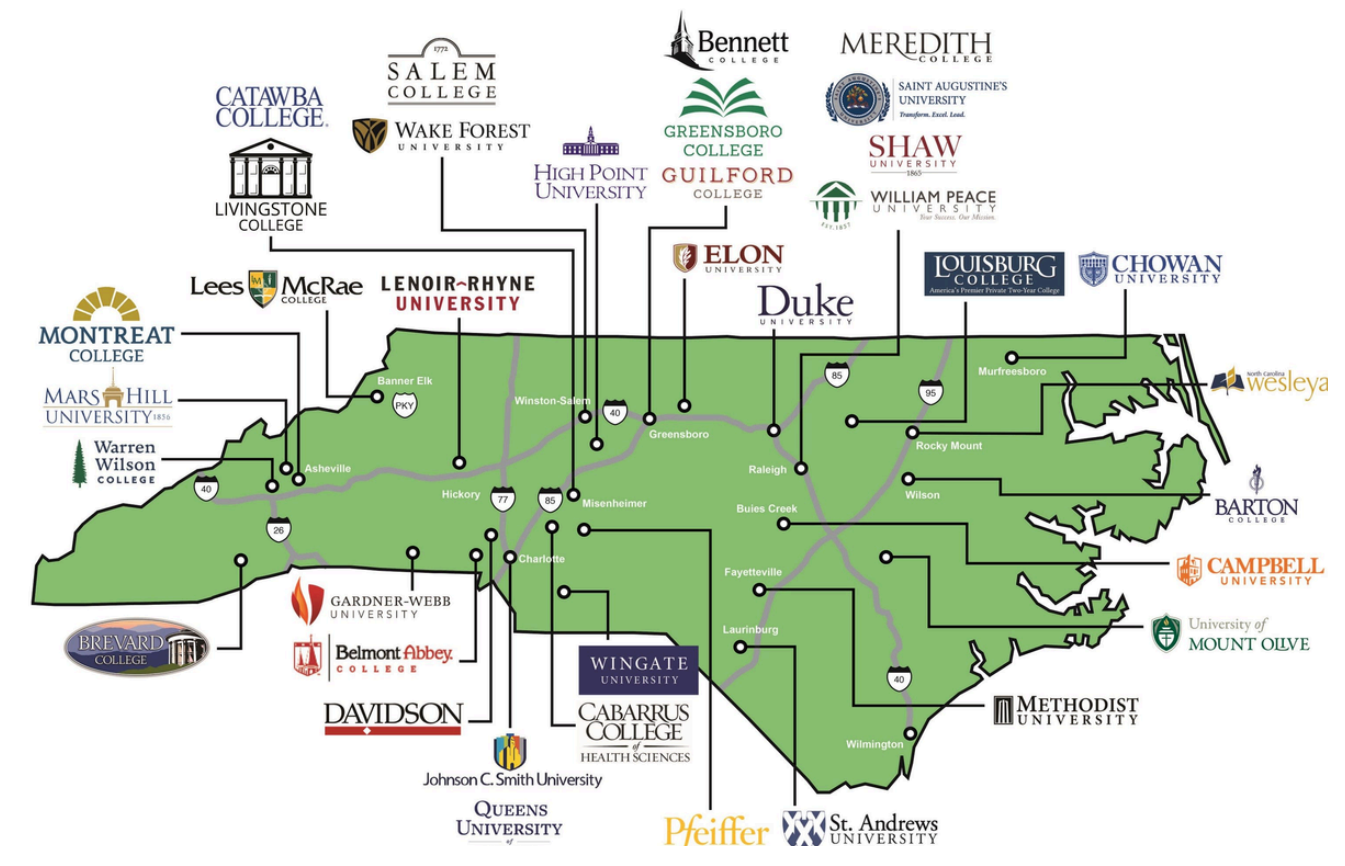
PRIVATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

PUBLIC

The UNC-System hosts 16 universities that are funded by the state of North Carolina. Residents of NC are able to take advantage of in-state tuition which is significantly less than what out-of-state students pay.



Private and independent colleges sometimes have more flexible entrance requirements and vary widely. These colleges and universities are generally more expensive, however, they can sometimes offer more financial aid.



*OUT-OF-STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Students don't have to limit their search to colleges in NC. It is important to note that students attending out-of-state colleges and universities will be subject to out-of-state tuition fees at public universities.

UNC SYSTEM MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Coursework:

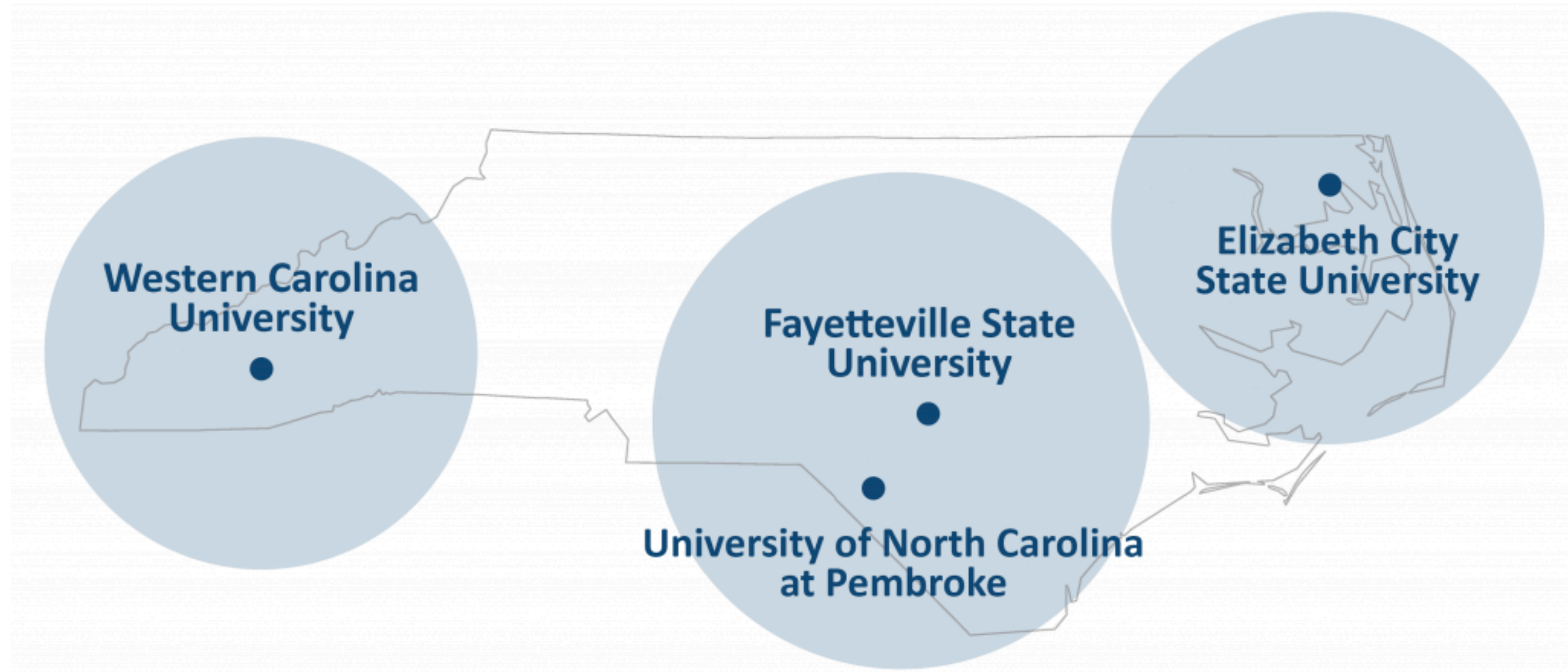
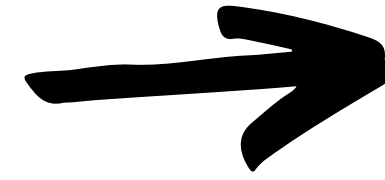
- 4 units of English
- 4 units of Math, 1 unit for which Math III is a prerequisite
- 4 units of History
- 3 units of Science -- Earth Science, Biology, and a Physical Science (Chemistry Honors or Physical Science)
- 2 additional academic courses in English, mathematics, science, world languages, social studies, or computer science.
 - **2 levels (ex. Spanish I & Spanish II) of world language strongly encouraged**

Minimum Requirements:

- GPA: 2.5 weighted
- ***Effective Fall 2025, students with a weighted GPA between 2.5 and less than 2.8 must submit SAT or ACT scores. Students with a weighted GPA of 2.8 or higher have the option to submit these scores.***



NC PROMISE

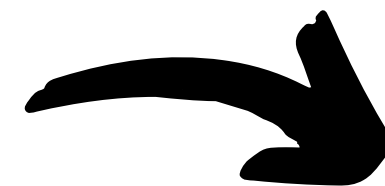


North Carolina Promise schools offer students major savings with tuition rates of just \$500 per semester.

CREATING YOUR
COLLEGE LIST



MATCH **AND** FIT



10 FACTORS TO CONSIDER

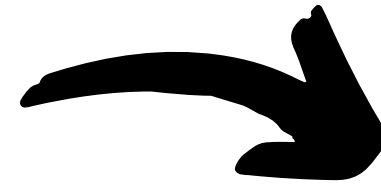


**WHEN CHOOSING
A COLLEGE**

SAFETY, MATCH, AND REACH

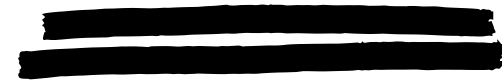
Category	"Safety"	"Good Matches"	"Reach"
What is it?	A school that you would be comfortable and happy attending with statistics and requirements that you exceed.	A school with requirements that you have a good chance of acceptance and are a good match. You meet all of the criteria, but may not exceed it significantly.	A school with requirements that you are just shy of.
How many?*	1-2	2-4	1-2

RESOURCES TO HELP YOU FIND YOUR COLLEGE MATCH



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APPLICATION PROCESS



APPLICATION PORTALS



40 of the 50+ 4-year college and universities in NC are now on the common app. The common app provides a streamline service for students applying to college across the United States.



The College Foundation of North Carolina houses an application portal for every community college and many of the 4-year colleges and universities through out the state.

APPLICATION COMPONENTS



TRANSCRIPTS



Grades, class rank, and rigor of courses. Learn [how to request a transcript](#) on the VMCCA Student Services page.

01

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION



Some colleges require students to submit LORs from teachers, counselors, and/or community members. Provide your recommender with a resume and/or [Brag Sheet](#).

02

TEST SCORES



Effective Fall 2025, students with a weighted GPA between 2.5 and less than 2.8 must submit SAT/ACT scores. Students with a weighted GPA of 2.8 or higher have the option to submit these scores.

03

ESSAYS



Play a major role in admission decisions. Highlight student qualities/growth experiences that are not included anywhere else on the application.

04

RESIDENCY



NC [Residency Determination Service](#) (RDS) required for all NC colleges.

05

CFNC FREE APPLICATION WEEK



- Select NC Schools will waive college application fees from Oct 21-Oct 27
- List will be available on CFNC Oct 1st.
- Students must apply via CFNC Application Hub to have fees waived



Making college affordable!

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Scholarship opportunities for VMCCA students are located on our website, <https://www.wcpss.net/Page/48189>
- Students should be proactively searching for scholarships.
- Scholarship engines like Scholarships.com and Big Future are also helpful.

FINANCIAL AID

VMCCA Financial Aid Advisor:

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Financial Aid Advisor

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**On campus Tuesdays by appointment ONLY,
starting in September.**

Schedule appointments on the VMCCA Student Services page.

Student Services

- Meet Your Student Services Team
- College Open Houses
- College Resources
- Early Graduation Information
- Financial Aid
- GPA
- Opportunities/Programs
- Revocation of Transfer
- **Scholarships**
- Student Services Forms & Resources
- Student Services Presentations
- Testing

Home > Students > Student Services

Scholarships

Grants and Scholarships

Remember that your home state of North Carolina offers grants to cover higher education expenses. Grants do not have to be paid back after your graduation. Only form required is the FAFSA. To learn more about grants for North Carolina students. CFNC has a long list of scholarships as well. Go to <https://www.cfnc.org/pay-for-college/scholarship-search/>

FAFSA Completion

If you are a high school senior and have not yet completed your FAFSA, there is still time to submit. For assistance, go to <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/afsa> to get your FSA ID (and an ID for one parent) and complete your FAFSA.



QUESTIONS



Individual Meetings with School
Counselor begin week of
August 26th

