

ACE Plus Scholarship Program

Students who were previously awarded an Access College Early (ACE) Scholarship, now may be eligible for the ACE Plus Scholarship, which is awarded to full-time college students who received an ACE Scholarship in high school. The ACE Plus Scholarship provides a \$500 scholarship for the first year a student attends college full-time and a \$1,000 scholarship for the second year. To be eligible for the award, a student must:

- Have received a Nebraska ACE scholarship while in high school;
- Have received a grade point average of 2.0 or better on a 4.0 scale for all completed ACE-funded courses taken while in high school; and
- Be enrolled in a postsecondary educational institution as a full-time student the fall following their high school graduation.

To be eligible for the second-year award, a student must:

- Have received a Nebraska ACE Plus scholarship the previous year;
- Have received a grade point average of 2.0 or better on a 4.0 scale during the first year of college; and
- Be enrolled in a postsecondary educational institution as a full-time student.

The scholarship may be used at any accredited institution in the United States. It will be paid directly to the attending institution and applied to the student's total educational expenses.

The ACE Plus Scholarship Program was developed by Nebraska's Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education to encourage former ACE students to attend college full time. It is funded by the federal College Access Challenge Grant.

Please contact the college you plan to attend and request additional information regarding the scholarship and accessing the application online.

Applications for the scholarship are currently closed. Students who are members of the 2011 and 2012 high school graduating classes will be eligible for awards beginning in the fall of 2012. Applications for the 2012-2013 award year will be available in May 2012. A sample copy of the application is below.

SAMPLE 2011 ACE Plus Scholarship Student Application

(All applications must be **typed**. All information required unless indicated otherwise.)

First Middle Last Birth Date
(MM/DD/YYYY)

Home Address/City/Zip Social Security Number*

High School City High School Graduation Date (MM/YYYY)

Final high school GPA (on a 4.0 scale) *

E-mail Address

Attending Postsecondary Institution

Institution Address City/State Zip Code

I am applying for an ACE Plus:

- First-year award (recent high school graduate)
 Second-year award (previously attended college as a full-time student)

An up-to-date, unofficial college transcript must be included with your application.

I certify that the above information is accurate and correct. I acknowledge that this scholarship must be used for educational expenses only and that the scholarship will be applied after other grants/scholarships are applied. I agree to return any unused scholarship funds to the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education in the event that I withdraw as a full-time student. I authorize the attending college/university listed above to release my tuition and fees statement and grades to the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education upon request. This authorization is good for one year from the date of this form.

Student Signature Date

Race/Ethnicity* (check one box only):

- White, non-Hispanic Black, non-Hispanic Hispanic
 Asian/Pacific Islander Native American Two or more races

* This information is required and is being requested for aggregate reporting purposes. It will not be used to determine eligibility for a scholarship.

Please return this form via mail to Katherine Green, College Access Challenge Grant Program Director, CCPE, PO Box 95005, Lincoln, NE 68509-5005, e-mail to Katherine.Green@Nebraska.gov, or fax to 402.471.2886.

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