

## 2017-2018 Scholarship Application

The Raritan Valley Community College Foundation offers many academic scholarships and awards based on financial need as well as merit. The names and requirements of these scholarships can be found at [www.raritanval.edu/scholarships](http://www.raritanval.edu/scholarships). To be considered for a scholarship, you must complete the application below. If you are awarded a scholarship, you will be notified in your financial aid package.

If you have questions about the scholarship application, please contact Sarah Lott at the RVCC Foundation [Sarah.Lott@raritanval.edu](mailto:Sarah.Lott@raritanval.edu) or Erin Kislán in Financial Aid at [Erin.Kislán@raritanval.edu](mailto:Erin.Kislán@raritanval.edu)

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### General Scholarship Requirements

1. Since most scholarships are based on financial need, you must complete the financial aid application at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov). If you are not eligible for the FAFSA, please contact the RVCC Foundation at 908-526-1200 ext. 8349.
  2. You must remain enrolled in a minimum of 6 credits per semester for scholarship eligibility.
  3. You must maintain a grade point average of 2.75 or higher unless otherwise indicated.
  3. Full-time employees and their dependents, who have their tuition costs waived, are not eligible to receive Foundation scholarship support.
  4. Scholarship recipients who receive funds from individual donors are required to write a thank you note to the donor of their scholarship. You will receive notification if you have to write a note. For some scholarships, recipients may also be required to attend an event to meet their donor.
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

G# \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any RVCC activities and Honors received:

Please list any other interests, accomplishments or community activities:

Please describe your reasons (financial or otherwise) for why you are applying for a scholarship:

Candidates will be considered for all scholarships for which they have the necessary qualifications. In addition, are there specific scholarships for which you are applying? (Please list names of the scholarships):

### Certification:

I certify that the information on this report is accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge and I authorize Raritan Valley Community College to release my academic, financial, or other necessary information requested by a donor. In addition, I agree that RVCC shall have the right to use and release my name if I am awarded a scholarship at RVCC in order to publicize or to otherwise promote the college to any local or national media or in any college publications and at any college events.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **How the Scholarship Process Works**

Scholarships are awarded on a first come first serve basis. The Financial Aid office will begin collecting Scholarship applications at the end of the Spring term, for awards for the Fall term. Please view the Financial Aid website for the current criteria for all of our scholarships. We recommend that you list a few scholarships on your application, which you believe you are most qualified for.

## **When will Scholarships be Awarded?**

The Foundation generally notifies our office of what the funding levels will be for each Scholarship in the middle of the summer.

Only Scholarship recipients will be notified if they are awarded a scholarship. Scholarships will be awarded for the Fall and Spring terms.

## **How will I be notified if I am selected?**

The Financial Aid office will send you an award letter via mail and email, after you have been selected which will notify you of the Scholarship and the amount it was for. You can also view your awards through your Lion's Den account.

## **What else do I need to do after I have been awarded?**

The RVCC Foundation office requires all students to complete a thank you note to the donor for their generosity. You will need to go to their office which is on the bottom floor of the College Center. They will provide you with a Thank You card and the details of who you need to write it to. We cannot release the scholarship award to pay your bill until this is done.

## **When do I need to reapply for Scholarships?**

You should apply every year near the end of the Spring term, around the time that you are completing your FAFSA (Financial Aid Application) for the Fall term