

2017 - 2018

Students in Recruitment

SiR's Scholarship



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Kaskaskia College SiR's

Students in Recruitment Program Information

Kaskaskia College offers financial assistance to students through the Students In Recruitment Program (SIRs) who reside in the Kaskaskia College District #501 and graduate from a participating in-district high school, which include: Bond County High School, Carlyle High School, Central High School, Centralia High School, Christ Our Rock, Mater Dei High School, Mulberry Grove High School, Nashville Community High School, Odin High School, Okawville High School, Patoka High School, Salem High School, Sandoval High School, South Central High School, Vandalia High School, Wesclin High School, and Woodlawn High School.

I. Description

- A. The award is a waiver for tuition and mandatory student and technology fees at a **maximum of 15 hours in the fall and spring semesters** and 6 hours in the summer semester (the summer immediately following graduation from high school is not eligible), unused semester hours may not be rolled over to the next semester. This award does not include additional course fees (e.g. lab fees) or textbooks.
- B. The waiver will be awarded for one academic year (Fall, Spring, and Summer) **beginning with the fall semester** following the high school graduation. The opportunity to renew the scholarship will be available by interview with the SIRs committee after completion of two semesters. However, if the student fails to comply with the requirements, regulations, or expectations as set forth by the scholarship, the waiver may be revoked at any time.

II. Eligibility

- A. The award waiver is limited to students that meet the **in-district residency** requirements as set forth by the Kaskaskia College catalog.
- B. Applicants must meet the minimum High School cumulative grade point average of 2.5/4.0 or equivalent.
- C. Applicant must submit the completed application form, which includes an essay and two letters of recommendation from high school staff, faculty or community leaders, and a final high school transcript.
- D. Applicants must have completed and submitted the FAFSA application.
- E. Applications and other required materials must be received by the Student Recruitment Specialist no later than **April 1st** to be eligible for consideration.

- F. Applicants **may not accept** a Kaskaskia College Activity, Athletic, or Board of Trustees Scholarship in conjunction with this award.

III. Selection

- A. During the 2017 – 2018 academic year, **three scholarships** will be awarded.
- B. Applicants' essays and applications will be used to determine the interviewees for the committee.
- C. The SiRs committee will select qualified students during the interviewing process to participate in the SiRs program.
- D. When an award has been used and the recipient withdraws or otherwise becomes ineligible, the award will not be tended to an alternate.
- E. When an award is not used by the recipient in the Fall term of the initial year, the waiver becomes invalid and may be offered to another qualified alternate candidate from interview process.

IV. Requirements

- A. Recipients must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA) and have their student aid report on file at the Kaskaskia College Financial Aid Office.
- B. Recipients must enter Kaskaskia College in the Fall term immediately following graduation. Failing to register in the Fall term voids the scholarship.
- C. Recipients must be full-time students in continuous enrollment, exclusive of summer terms, and must show successful academic progress.
- D. Scholarship recipients must be admitted to one of the recognized programs of Kaskaskia College leading to a degree or certificate.
- E. Scholarship recipients must attend classes, and absences from classes must be explained to the instructor and the SiRs committee. Instructors will be requested to inform the SiRs committee of excessive absences, tardiness, or any other problems. These circumstances may jeopardize the renewal of the scholarship.
- F. All SiRs recipients will be required to pass a minimum of twelve credit hours (excluding Summer semesters) with a G.P.A. of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale each semester.
- G. All SiRs award recipients who have scholarships must recognize that they are a representative of Kaskaskia College and must exhibit ethical behavior at all times, ***even when outside of the college***, and demonstrate good citizenship and leadership. A failure to conduct oneself in a respectable manner may lead to a revocation of the tuition award and removal from the program.
- H. Scholarship recipients are expected to complete College Recruitment Requirements as listed below:

The following events are mandatory every year

- ~Participate in the SiR's interview process
- ~Attend SiR's orientation during the summer
- ~Enroll/Participate in New Student Orientation
- ~Follow guidelines outlined in SiR's handbook
- ~Participate in Open House Days
- ~Participate in College Fair Days
- ~**Complete 10 hours of recruitment service a week** during semester in which the student uses the waiver (160 hours/semester, summer excluded). Students will be given a "free" week where no work occurs during the week of Thanksgiving and/or Spring Holiday.
- ~At least five of the hours must be completed in the Recruitment Office.

Withdrawal from the College, failure to meet the standards, requirements, or expectations of the scholarship, and/or failure to meet the academic requirements automatically voids the College's SiR's award. Extenuating circumstances may be appealed in writing to the SiR's committee.

V. Implementation

- A. The SiR's committee, found in the Enrollment Center, coordinates the program for the college including correspondence, publicity, receipt of applications, and the selection process.
- B. The Financial Aid Office coordinates the implementation of the financial aspects of the award.
- C. The Director of Student Engagement directs the recruitment aspect of the award.

VI. Evaluation

The SiR's program is evaluated annually for continuance.

These procedures and guidelines may be changed or modified as deemed appropriate, within the limits of the Board Policy, upon the recommendation of the Director of Student Engagement and the concurrence of the Vice President of Student Services.

For more information, please contact:

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Date Received: _____ Student ID #: _____

Kaskaskia College SIRs

Students in Recruitment Program Application

(Please Print or Type)

Name: _____

KC Student ID No. _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Resident of Kaskaskia College District #501? Yes _____ No _____

Please list the following requested high school information.

Attach additional sheets if necessary.

High School Name: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Cumulative H.S. G.P.A.: _____ Class Rank: _____ Total in Class: _____

High School Awards & Year Received: _____

Extra Curricular Activities (list year and if any positions held): _____

Please list any other community involvement or activities: _____

Letters of Recommendation

Two letters of recommendation are required from your high school staff, faculty, or leaders of community groups stating why you are a qualified candidate for this award. The letter should speak about your support or involvement in your high school or community activities. The letter should also speak about any leadership

roles or outstanding personality traits that would be help you excel in representing Kaskaskia College to prospective students and your home community.

You may either submit the letters in sealed envelopes with your application or the author may send them directly to the college ATTN: Amy Troutt.

Required Writing Component

Applicants must submit an essay with the application on one of the following topics. There is no minimum or maximum length for the essays. It should be long enough to develop and expand the concepts of the topic.

~During my activities in high school I learned many intangible lessons and valuable experience that I could bring to the Kaskaskia College SiRs program.

~I became involved outside of my high school (e.g. community and/or church activities.) I have established links and developed social skills that would be useful to the SiRs program.

~I have chosen to begin my higher education path at Kaskaskia College to reach my educational goal. I would be able to bring my personal life experiences to benefit the SiRs program or I would like to gain experience from the SiRs program.

I certify that the above statements are correct & complete. Kaskaskia College may review my academic record(s) during the selection process for this award.

Signature

Date

Please submit this application, a high school transcript, the required writing component, and/or letters of recommendation to:

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