



Ensuring Career and College Access for All

College Success Scholarship Application 2024-2025

Students Eligible to Apply Must Have:

- Participated in at least **three** GRASP College Success **email programs** this academic year
- Achieved at least a **2.5** cumulative GPA this academic year
- Demonstrated **unmet financial need**
- **Filed** the 2024-2025 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**) or the Virginia Alternative State Aid Application (**VASA**)
- Be working towards completing their first undergraduate degree or certificate/credential.

Six Application Parts

Include each section and arrange your packet in this order (only completed applications will be accepted):

1. The “GRASP College Success Scholarship **Checklist**”
2. A complete GRASP College Success Scholarship **application**
3. Attached **essay**
4. A copy of your unofficial 2023-2024 college **transcript**
5. A copy of your **2024-2025 financial aid award letter** from the school you are attending (often this is found in your student portal)
 - a. If you do not have it, please contact the College Success Coordinator and we can discuss further.
6. **A copy of the FAFSA Summary or VASA (with SAI). The Summary can be reprinted by going to fafsa.gov . The VASA can be completed at vasaapp.org .**

How to submit your scholarship application

Visit grasp4va.org/collegesuccess to view, print/download, and complete application.

Submit application by either:

1. Mailing it with the rest of your packet to:

GRASP
Attn: College Success Scholarship Coordinator
2821 Emerywood Pkwy, Suite 204
Richmond, VA 23294

2. Emailing it to collegesuccess@grasp4va.org

Regardless of submission method, all application parts must be received by the due date, July 1, 2024.

GRASP College Success Scholarship Checklist

Return this checklist with your application to GRASP by **July 1, 2024**

I have enclosed the following by mail or email:

A completed GRASP scholarship application

My essay

An **unofficial** college transcript

A copy of my FAFSA Summary or VASA (with SAI) for the 2024-25 school year

A copy of my financial aid award letter from the school I am attending

This checklist

GRASP may only award scholarships to those who are attending a post-secondary institution in Virginia.

Date _____

Student Information

FIRST NAME _____ M.I. _____ LAST NAME _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS _____

CITY _____, STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL (current) _____ CELL PHONE _____

College Information

COLLEGE ATTENDING _____ GRADUATION YEAR _____

MAJOR _____ GPA _____

MINOR _____

Additional Information

Employment history during the past academic year (full or part-time)

TYPE OF WORK	Dates Worked	HOURS PER WEEK	EMPLOYER

Community Service and Volunteer Work

NAME OF ORGANIZATION	CHECK HOW MANY YEAR(S) OF COLLEGE THAT YOU PARTICIPATED				Estimated Hours Volunteered/Role
	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	4th year	

Extracurricular Activities

NAME OF ACTIVITY	CHECK WHICH YEAR(S) YOU PARTICIPATED				COMMENTS
	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	4th year	

Academic Honors

NAME OF HONOR	CHECK YEAR OF COLLEGE THAT THE HONOR IS APPLICABLE				COMMENTS
	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	4th year	

Addition Information (continued)

Do you have any financial or personal circumstances that make post-secondary education unattainable without aid? Tell us here.

Use this space to tell the scholarship selection committee any additional information about yourself (including if you took a gap year and why).

Essay

First _____ M.I. _____ Last _____

Answer **one** of the following questions. Please do not exceed 2 pages double-spaced. **This is your opportunity to tell us about yourself and why you stand out from other applicants.**

1. How do you see yourself thriving in college? Describe your strengths and how you plan to use them to succeed in your chosen field of study.

2. Describe a challenge you have faced and how you overcame it. What did you learn from this experience, and how will it help you in the future?

Questions?

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