Jefferson College Institutional Scholarships

Adult Re-Entry Scholarship
Recipient should be first-time or continuing Jefferson College students who have chosen to return to school after a period of time. Recipients must reside in Jefferson County. Recipients must be seeking a degree and are encouraged to enroll full time each semester, but may receive the award if enrolled in a minimum of six credit hours.

Renewal: Based on student meeting 2.0 GPA and 67% Completion rate

Art Scholarship
Recipients shall submit a portfolio for review to the Jefferson College Art program. A letter of recommendation and a high school transcript should accompany the portfolio. Students interested in an art scholarship are encouraged to participate in the Jefferson High School Art Exhibition.

Renewal: Recipients must complete first year of study with 24 credit hours. Renewable with a 2.0 GPA and the recommendation of the recipient’s art instructor. Compliance with the financial minimum standards of academic progress is required.

James Lee Chism Scholarship
The James Lee Chism Scholarship was established by the Board of Trustees in recognition of the service provided by James Lee Chism. A founding member of Jefferson College Board of Trustees. The recipient shall be a recent graduate of a Jefferson County high school or reside in the county at the time of high school graduation.

Renewal: Recipients must complete the first year of study with 24 credit hours. Renewable for a second year with 3.5 cumulative GPA.

Drama Scholarship
Recipients must demonstrate superior ability in the dramatic arts and may be either a new or returning Jefferson College student. Each year one scholarship is designated to recognize acting ability, while the other is awarded to a student for their technical theater experience. Recipients shall be a recent graduate of a Jefferson County high school or reside in the county at the time of graduation.

Renewal: The scholarships are renewable with a 2.0 GPA and the recommendation of the recipient’s drama instructor. Compliance with the financial aid minimum standards of academic progress is required.

Employee Recognition Scholarship
This scholarship recognizes the dedicated efforts of faculty and staff who have provided the College with 30 years of service. The scholarship will be awarded to a student who has shown evidence of scholarship, academic promise and leadership. Students must rank in the top 50 percent of the graduating high school class. The scholarship may be awarded to students residing out-of-district. Effort is made to match the recipient with the profession and/or intentions of the recognized employee.

Renewal: Criteria from the original Board of Trustees scholarship used to fund the scholarship applies.

GED/HiSet Scholarship
Recipients shall be first-time or continuing students who have chosen to return to school after obtaining the Certificate of High School Equivalency. Applicants who have demonstrated superior ability and achievement on the GED (General Educational Development) or HiSET (High School Equivalency) test will be considered for this award. Applicants must receive a minimum GED score of 2800 and minimum HiSET score of 75 (with no one subject below 12) for consideration. Preference is given to those achieving the highest standard scores. When scores are equal, financial need is considered. Recipients of this award must reside in Jefferson County.

Renewal: Renewable for a second year with a 2.0 cumulative GPA and compliance with the financial aid minimum standards of academic progress.

Ray Henry Scholarship
The Ray Henry Scholarship was established by the Board of Trustees in recognition of the service provided by Dr. B. Ray Henry, a former president of Jefferson College. The recipient shall be a recent graduate of a Jefferson County high school or reside in the area at the time of graduation and rank in the top 25 percent of the graduating class.

Renewal: Recipients must be enrolled full-time each semester and must complete the first year of study with 24 credit hours. Renewable for second year with a 3.25 cumulative GPA.

Honors “Top Ten” Scholarship
Recipients shall have maintained a high school class rank in the top ten percent, after six or seven semesters. Recipients shall be a recent graduate of a Jefferson County High School or reside in the county at the time of graduation.

Renewal: Recipients must be enrolled full-time each semester and must complete the first year of study with 24 credit hours.
**Jefferson Scholarship**
Recipients must rank top 50% of their graduating class and be a recent high school graduate. The Jefferson Scholarship may be awarded to students residing out-of-district.

Renewal: Recipients must complete the first year of study with 24 credit hours. Renewable for a second year with 3.25 GPA cumulative GPA.

**Mahler Family Endowment Scholarship**
Recipient must rank in the top 10% of their graduating class and be a recent high school graduate. The Mahler scholarship will be awarded to the top student from each Jefferson County high school within the top 10%.

Renewal: Renewable with a 3.25 GPA and 24 hours after first year of study.

**Mathematics Scholarship**
Recipients shall participate and receive first and second place honors in the Annual Jefferson College Mathematics Contest. Recipients must attend a Jefferson County High School. If the Mathematics Contest award winners reside out-of-county, the scholarship(s) shall be awarded to the highest ranking Jefferson County high school student(s).

Renewal: Recipients must complete the first year of study with 24 credit hours. The scholarships are renewable with a 2.0 GPA and the recommendation of the recipient’s mathematics instructor or the Math & Science Division Chairperson. Compliance with the financial aid minimum standards of academic progress is required.

**Music Scholarship**
Recipients shall be entering freshman planning to major in either instrument or vocal music at Jefferson College. An audition with the music faculty is required. Scholarships are awarded to students with a musical talent and proven ability to succeed academically in college.

Renewal: Recipients must complete the first year of study with 24 credit hours. The scholarships are renewable with a 2.0 GPA and the recommendation of the recipient’s music instructor. Compliance with the financial aid minimum standards of academic progress is required.

**President’s Scholarship**
Recipients shall rank in the top 25 percent of the graduating class and be a recent graduate of a Jefferson County high school or reside in the county at time of graduation.

Renewal: Recipients must complete the first year of study with 24 credit hours. Renewable for second year with a 3.25 cumulative GPA.

**Science Scholarship**
Recipients shall indicate intent to major in a science-related field (i.e. biology, chemistry, physics, genetics, etc.) and complete the Jefferson College board of Trustees Science Scholarship application. Recipients shall be a recent of a Jefferson County high school reside in the county at the time of graduation.

Renewal: Recipients must complete the first year of study with 24 credit hours. The scholarships are renewable with a 2.0 GPA and the recommendation of the recipient’s science instructor or the Math & Science Division Chairperson. Compliance with the financial aid minimum standards of academic progress is required.

**Special Opportunity Academic Scholarship**
Recipients shall be students who rank in the top half of their graduating class or have achieved a minimum GED test score of 280. Recipients must come from a disadvantaged socio-economic background. Preference will be given to students participating in the Jefferson College Student Support Services program, Project Success and to students who have demonstrated financial need.

Renewal: The scholarships are renewable with a 2.0 GPA and compliance with the financial aid minimum standards of academic progress is required.

**Charles Studyvin Scholar/Leader Award**
The Charles Studyvin Scholar/Leader Award was established by the Board of Trustees in recognition of the 22 years of service provided by Charles Studyvin, former president of the Jefferson College Board of Trustees. The recipient shall demonstrate scholarship, academic promise, leadership and potential for future leadership role.

Renewal: Recipients must complete the first year of study with 24 credit hours. Renewable for second year with a 3.25 cumulative GPA.

**Career and Technical Education-50% Scholarship**
Recipients shall be first-time, full-time students who have earned a high school diploma or GED and placed in the upper 50 percent of the graduating class. Students, who have graduated more than five years prior, may be granted exception by the Dean of Vocational-Technical Education.
Renewal: Recipients must be enrolled full-time each semester. Non-renewable.

**High School Career Expo Essay Contest Scholarship** Check with Area technical School for more information.