$1575
NEXT STEP
Scholarship

GREAT PLAINS
Technology Center

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Information and Guidelines

Carefully read the application and information guidelines to insure that you meet all Next Step Scholarship requirements.

- Obtain an official copy of your high school transcript. School seal must be on transcript.
- Obtain a letter of reference from your high school counselor.
- Complete the Next Step Scholarship application and return it with the letter of reference and transcript to the Financial Aid Office.
- Application and documentation must be received within two years of your graduation from high school.

Direct questions to the Financial Aid Coordinator at 580-250-5534 or Great Plains Technology Center Counselors at 580-250-5535

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The Next Step Scholarship is a one-time tuition scholarship. The maximum award is $1575 toward tuition at Great Plains Technology Center ($787.50 per semester). Applicants must apply within 2 years of high school graduation.
2. The Next Step Scholarship is good for 12 months from the date of the award letter.
3. The Next Step Scholarship recipient is required to pay a non-refundable processing fee of $50.00 before the start date in the Career Major enrolled in.
4. The Next Step Scholarship is applied toward tuition for a full-time Career Major or may be applied toward Great Plains Adult Career Development (evening) classes. The waiver may be used for classes, taken in an approved sequence education plan, and completed by one year from the date of the scholarship. Contact the Adult Career Specialist at 580-250-5503 for more information regarding the education plans. No monies are issued directly to the scholarship recipient.

II. REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must:

1. Graduate from a high school within two years of application. Priority given to students who graduated from a high school within the Great Plains school district.
2. Have a minimum 2.0 cumulative high school G.P.A. through their last completed semester report on the transcript.
3. Have fewer than 12 absences during their last two completed semester report on the transcript.
4. Provide a letter of reference from his / her high school counselor with application.

III. SECOND SEMESTER ELIGIBILITY FOR FULL TIME COURSES – students must provide the following documentation to the appropriate enrollment secretary upon completion of their 1st semester at Great Plains.

1. Recommendation from his / her instructor.
2. Be within acceptable attendance guidelines.
3. Maintain a minimum “B” average.

HOW TO RETAIN ELIGIBILITY FOR AC&D COURSES

To retain eligibility as a Next Step Scholarship recipient a student must receive a minimum, final grade of B in any AC&D class where final letter grades are transcripted. Failure to receive a minimum grade of B will result in the loss of the balance of the Next Step Scholarship.

The Next Step Scholarship cannot be applied towards tuition for a student to retake the same AC&D course.

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APPLICATION

Great Plains Technology Center Next Step Scholarship

Name ________________________________________  Home Phone:_________ E-mail__________________

Address ______________________________________  City/State/Zip____________________________

Parent or Guardian____________________________  Name of High School____________________________

Graduation Year_________ GED_________  

Have you previously attended GPTC?  Yes    No  If yes, what program?__________________________

What is your career objective?_________________________________________________________________

Do you have any training or experience related to the program you have requested?     Yes     No
If Yes please describe:

_________________________________________________________________________________________

Will you apply for VA Educational Benefits? Yes   No  
Will you apply for Federal Financial Aid ? Yes No

_________________________________________________      ________________
Signature                                                   Date

Note: Application must be completed accurately, including health conditions that will directly affect performance of required activities. Failure to provide this information releases Great Plains Technology Center from liability to accommodate special needs.

Great Plains Technology Center, School District No. 9 is in compliance with TITLE IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972 and other Federal laws and regulations and does not discriminate on the basis of race, national origin, gender, age, religion, handicap, marital or veteran status or the presence of non-job related medical conditions or handicaps in any of its practices, policies, or procedures. This includes, but is not limited to admission, employment, financial aid, and educational services.

This school is authorized under Federal law to enroll nonimmigrant alien students.

Return application to:
Financial Aid Office Great Plains Technology Center
4500 West Lee Blvd
Lawton, OK 73505

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Date application received: ______________

Letter of Recommendation attached: Yes   No  
High School transcript attached Yes No

Does student currently reside within the GPTC School District Yes   No

Next Step Scholarship was:  Granted   Denied

Reason for denial: ____________________________________________

Signature of Financial Aid Coordinator__________________________ Date letter sent_______ Certificate_______