



## Scholarship Program

### Eligibility Requirements:

- Be at least 16 years old, but not older than 21
- Successfully compete for a full-term DCFS college scholarship
- Maintain at least a “C” average each semester
- Maintain full-time status (12 hours Fall & Spring, 6 hours in Summer)
- Submit your class schedule at the start of each semester and your grades at the end of the semester (no schedule and grades, no payment!)
- Report change of address promptly to Business Office

### Benefits:

- An award in the amount of \$444.85 provided each month for up to four (4) years. Direct deposit is strongly recommended.
- Medical card provided to Illinois students until the participant reaches the age of 23
- Tuition waiver available to any of the nine State universities
- Reimbursement of the cost of books not covered by financial aid
- Education advisors will render assistance as needed
- Benefits available until the earlier of four (4) years, or the date on which the participant receives an A.A. or B.A. degree
- This program is a chance of a lifetime!

### Important Plans To Consider:

- Arranging transportation to the school location
- Planning for housing when school is closed for breaks and holidays
- Devising a backup plan for education finances if your stipend is lost or stolen
- Seeking tutorial assistance through the school, and meeting with your Education Advisor if your grades are low, if you are having problems in a particular course, or if you must withdraw from any classes

### What the Scholarship DOES NOT Cover:

- Orientation fees
- Computers or Internet services
- Room/board deposits
- Laboratory fees
- Supplies
- Study abroad
- Study enhancement programs
- Phone bills
- Library fines
- Dorm room damages
- Repayment of student loans
- Transportation to and from school
- Tuition to private, out-of-state or vocational training programs

See reverse side for more details.



## Important Dates

Please mail the following documents to the Office of Education and Transition Services by the following dates:

October 1	Fall Plans, Schedule, Summer Grades
February 1	Spring Plans, Schedule, Fall Grades
July 1	Summer Plans, Schedule, Spring Grades

## Pay Run Dates for 2005

MONTH	1ST RUN		2ND RUN	
	Board	Mail	Board	Mail
JANUARY	01/11/05	01/18/05	01/24/05	01/28/05
FEBRUARY	02/09/05	02/16/05	02/23/05	03/01/05
MARCH	03/09/05	03/15/05	03/22/05	03/28/05
APRIL	04/11/05	04/15/05	04/21/05	04/27/05
MAY	05/10/05	05/16/05	05/23/05	05/27/05
JUNE	06/09/05	06/15/05	06/21/05	06/27/05
JULY	07/12/05	07/18/05	07/25/05	07/29/05
AUGUST	08/9/05	08/15/05	08/16/05	08/22/05
SEPTEMBER	09/12/05	09/16/05	09/22/05	09/28/05
OCTOBER	10/12/05	10/18/05	10/24/05	10/28/05
NOVEMBER	11/9/05	11/16/05	11/22/05	11/30/05
DECEMBER	12/12/05	12/16/05	12/22/05	12/29/05

## Important Phone Numbers

Central Payment Unit	800-525-0499	Education Advisors	815-753-8525
Direct Deposit	217-557-0930	Peoria Business Office	309-693-5950
Medical Card Hotline	800-228-6533	Chicago Business Office	312-814-5959
Youth Hotline	866-459-6884	Springfield Business Office	217-557-2689

