

SVHEF Educational Financial Assistance/Scholarship Application



This application is for students enrolled in the SVHEC applying for scholarships or financial assistance. *IT Academy certificate students are encouraged to apply for the Microsoft Scholars Program found on page 3.* Carefully complete this form and attach reference letters and a short personal statement to the application.

APPLICATIONS must be received at least 30 days prior to the start of the training session or class. Awards will be made during the month prior to the start of applicant's program.

The information you provide is for the use of the Foundation only.

Applications and any supporting documents should be delivered to 180 Factory Street, South Boston, VA 24592 or emailed to scholarships@svhef.org

GENERAL INFORMATION

First Name _____ Middle Initial _____ Last Name _____

Cell Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____ D.O.B. _____

Email _____ County of Residence _____

Home Address _____ City/State _____ Zip _____

PROGRAM OF STUDY * YOU MUST BE ENROLLED IN A PROGRAM OF STUDY AT THE SVHEC TO APPLY

A. Degree Program (Only fill out this section if you are enrolled in a degree based program)

Which college will you attend this semester/year? _____ Semester/Year: _____

What is your program of study or educational goal? _____

College ID # _____ Please send any award I receive to _____

B. Certificate Program of Study (Only fill out this section if you are enrolled in a certificate based program)

IT Academy Level: _____ Program Start Date: _____

Welding Level: _____ Program Start Date: _____

HVAC Level: _____ Program Start Date: _____

Mechatronics Level: _____ Program Start Date: _____

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Program: _____ References: Personal Professional Personal Statement

Date: _____ Approved by: _____ School: _____

Scholarship Awarded: _____ Amount Awarded: \$ _____

FINANCIAL

Have you completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? (For Degree Granting Programs: To be eligible you **MUST HAVE** applied for State and Federal assistance by completing the FAFSA Application.)

Mark one only.

- Yes No

Are you receiving financial aid? If so, which program(s) below? * Check all that apply.

- None
- WIOA
- State Program Grants \$\$ Awarded _____
- Scholarships \$\$ Awarded _____
- Financial Aid (Other) \$\$ Awarded _____

REQUIRED INFO

References—Please name two people, preferably your former teachers or current employers and not family members. Include a contact telephone number. If possible, attach a reference letter from each reference to this application.

Personal Reference (Friend, mentor, minister, etc.) Phone Number

Professional Reference (Employer, supervisor, teacher, coworker, etc.): Phone Number

Please attach a personal statement about yourself, your goals, and your reasons for applying.
(Minimum of 250 words)

ADDITIONAL INFO

Extracurricular Activities (clubs, sports, hobbies, talents, special interests): Please list any extracurricular activities or community activities you'd like to share.

I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge, all of the information furnished in the application is complete and accurate, and all required documentation is enclosed. I hereby authorize the release of this information as may be required to determine my eligibility for scholarships or financial assistance.

Signature: _____ **Date Submitted:** _____

MICROSOFT SCHOLARS PROGRAM—(The Microsoft Scholars Program through the SVHEF is for IT Academy *certificate program* applicants only; degree program students in the ITA should apply for the Microsoft Scholarship through SVCC. Degree track students may apply and receive other SVHEF scholarships as awarded based on page one and two of this application.)

The Foundation will review all applications and select final candidates on the holistic basis of eligibility, quality of application, demonstrated passion for STEM, commitment to leadership and financial need.

Applicants must be enrolled in the IT Academy certificate program at the Southern Virginia Higher Education Center; to continue in the Microsoft Scholars program the student must acquire a certificate in the previous level of the IT program.

Please describe yourself:

Gender: _____

Race: *(check all that apply)*

- American Indian or Alaska Native
For example, Navajo Nation, Blackfeet Tribe, Mayan, Aztec, Native Village of Barrow Inupiat Traditional Government, Nome Eskimo Community, etc.
- Asian
For example, Japanese, Chinese, Indian, Arabian, Turkish, Pakistani, Korean, etc.
- Black or African American
For example, African American, Jamaican, Haitian, Nigerian, Ethiopian, Somalian, etc.
- Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin
For example, Mexican or Mexican American, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Salvadoran, Dominican, Colombian, etc.
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
For example, Native Hawaiian, Samoan, Chamorro, Tongan, Fijian, Marshallese, etc.
- White
For example, German, Irish, English, Italian, Polish, French, etc.
- Not Disclosed