

Valencia Community College
FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS
2008-09

The Valencia Foundation offers a number of privately funded scholarships that are donated by organizations and individuals interested in supporting Valencia's students.

Donor-Selected Foundation Scholarships

Most scholarship donors choose their scholars without direct input from Valencia based on their own application process, usually in March or April for the upcoming academic year. If the donor notifies Valencia of the application process, an announcement will be posted in the Valencia Source and the campus newsletters.

Some donors will ask Valencia for recommendations. Valencia staff will choose students to recommend based on the donor's requirements and the Valencia Foundation Scholarship applications on file.

Valencia-Selected Foundation Scholarships

Some of the donors have asked Valencia's Scholarship Committee to choose their scholar. The Committee will match the applicants with the scholarship criteria. Most of the scholarships have unique, special criteria such as graduation from a particular high school, or employment with a certain company. Additional preference will be given to students with financial need and a minimum GPA of 2.5. While good grades are important, the highest grades are usually not the first basis for selection. The Valencia Foundation Scholarship application must be submitted to the Answer Center no later than *August 1, 2008* to be considered for the upcoming academic year. Late applications will be accepted and held in the event a new scholarship is created during the school year.

Steps for submitting a Valencia-Selected Foundation Scholarship Application

REMEMBER: ONLY ONE APPLICATION IS NECESSARY TO BE CONSIDERED

- 1. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).**
- 2. Complete the Valencia Foundation Scholarship application and submit it along with your personal statement to the Answer Center on your campus or mail it to:**

Financial Aid Services 4-17
Valencia Community College
PO Box 3028
Orlando, FL 32802
- 3. If you are awarded a scholarship, write a thank you note to the provider of the scholarship and submit to Financial Aid Services. Your scholarship funds will be released for your use only after the Thank You note is written.**

If you have any questions, please visit the Answer Center on your campus.

