

The Detroit College Promise

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Checklist for scholarships for the 2013-14 college year Send in all forms together between March 1, 2013 to July 1, 2013

- [] Start early to avoid missing deadlines because of delays or errors. We **CANNOT** give extensions.
- [] You must have registered by 12/1/2010 for the class of 2013 (see page 2). DPS high school counselors have a list of seniors who registered on time. If you did not register on time, based on our records, you are not eligible.
- [] Be accepted to a college / university that you want to attend (see page 2 for eligible institutions).
- [] Complete the FAFSA (available January 2, 2013) at www.fafsa.ed.gov.
- [] We must receive these documents (copies are OK) **in our office by July 1, 2013 at 5:00 pm**. Documents received after this date, regardless of postmark, will not be considered.
 - (1) Scholarship acceptance form (this form), which **must be signed** by the student
 - (2) DPS transcript (need not be official); either grades 9-12 (complete) or grades 9-11 plus the first term of grade 12 plus a copy of your DPS diploma (after you graduate)
 - (3) Financial aid award letter from your college / university, listing your grants and loans for the college year
 - (4) Legible copy of drivers license or state ID card with your mailing address
 - (5) Digital photo (optional) sent to detroitcollegepromise@gmail.com

Scholarship Acceptance and Authorization to Release Education Records

I, _____, authorize my college / university as designated below, through its agents and employees, to release any financial, financial aid, demographic or academic information to The Detroit College Promise or its agents to facilitate their analysis of my scholarship eligibility and the educational and economic impact of this scholarship. This release is authorized as long as I receive scholarship funds. To rescind this Authorization, I must submit a written notice to the Office of the Registrar of my school of choice, which would result in the termination of The Detroit College Promise scholarship.

I also give permission to The Detroit College Promise to use information regarding my scholarship and any photos of me (which I provide or that are taken at events) to promote The Detroit College Promise.

I agree to the scholarship conditions in this document, including page 2, and that failure to adhere to the requirements may result in the termination of this scholarship. I acknowledge that the information below is true to the best of my knowledge.

Name (print): _____ Date of birth: _____

Email address: _____ Telephone: _____

College attending: _____ College Student ID: _____

DPS high school: _____ Graduation year: _____

Expected major / career: _____ Today's date: _____

Signature (from parent if student under 18 years): _____

Please mail or fax to:

The Detroit College Promise / 30100 Telegraph Road, Suite 408 / Bingham Farms, MI 48025
Fax: 248/646-3119 / Telephone: 248/646-3269

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Notes: This program is currently restricted to **traditional DPS schools**, and does NOT include DPS charter schools, other charter schools, EAA schools, private schools, home schools or schools located outside of Detroit. To receive scholarship dollars, students must be enrolled at a **Michigan public college or university as a full time student** (12 credits or more). Students **must attend class regularly**, or their scholarship may be cancelled.

ELIGIBILITY:

Classes of 2011 to 2014: enrollment at ANY DPS high school from 12/1/2010 through graduation, AND be a Detroit resident from 12/1/2010 through graduation, AND register by 12/1/2010.
Class of 2010: be a senior at Cody, Douglass, Cass Tech, Central, Pershing or Trombly from 1/15/2010 through graduation; AND be a Detroit resident from 1/15/2010 through graduation, AND register by 1/15/2010.
Class of 2009: be a senior at Cody, a Detroit resident from 12/1/2008 through graduation, AND register by 6/1/2009.

Class of 2015 and later: enrollment in DPS and residency in Detroit from December 1 of your 9th grade year through graduation, AND register by December 1 of your 9th grade year.
Note: enrollment and residency must be continuous (this means you are **not** eligible if you leave Detroit or DPS during the above periods and come back). Additional documentation may be requested.

EXTENT OF BENEFITS

We intend to award scholarships to all DPS students who meet the conditions above and attend a Michigan public college or university as a full time (12 credits or more) student. The dollar amount of the award for each class is announced in July, and is based on the balance due for undergraduate tuition and mandatory fees, after application of federal, state and college grants (including TIP) based on the FAFSA. If FAFSA related grants pay 100% of undergraduate tuition and mandatory fees, we still provide a minimum award.
Class of 2012: varies from \$110 to \$550.
Class of 2009-11: varies from \$100 to \$500.

Note: we only pay scholarship dollars to students attending **Michigan public colleges or universities full time**. Students who attend other institutions and complete the paperwork on time will receive a gift package, an invitation to our summer reception, and possibly gifts from the reception raffle. They also have 10 years from high school graduation to use the scholarship if they transfer to a Michigan public college or university.

In general, the award is one time only. However, for Cody graduates from the classes of 2009 or 2010 only, these awards were for 4 years, but students must reapply for the scholarship each year.

DISTRIBUTION OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

All funds are paid directly to the college / university. Payments are made after the drop/add period of the fall semester as defined by each college / university, generally at the same time that Michigan Educational Trust Funds are billed. Any refunds will be paid directly to The Detroit College Promise. Although we anticipate being able to provide these scholarships as indicated, ultimately all scholarship awards are contingent on adequate funding.

NOTIFICATIONS

We will attempt to notify you by email or telephone within 3 business days of receipt of any documents from you, indicating if your package is complete or what is missing. During the last 2 weeks of June, the notification may take 5 business days.

EXCEPTIONS

No exceptions to the above requirements will be allowed unless approved by The Detroit College Promise Executive Director or his designee. Appeals are initiated by contacting the Executive Director.