

WVNCC HEAPS APPLICATION 2023-2024

Higher Education Adult Part-time Student (HEAPS) Grant Program

Name _____
Last First MI

Student ID # N _____ City & State of Legal Residence _____

Eligibility Requirements

- A **West Virginia resident** for at least 12 months prior date of application
- Enrollment in 3 to 11 credit hours per semester
- Must be enrolled in an academic certificate or associates degree program
- Must be compliant with the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy
- Citizen or a permanent resident of the United States
- Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.fafsa.gov
- Have a high school diploma, TASC (former GED) or high school equivalent
- Demonstrate financial need as verified through submission of the FAFSA
- Not be in default on a higher education loan
- Not incarcerated in a correctional facility

Award:

- The maximum grant will not exceed the actual per credit hour tuition and required fees charged per term and is subject to the availability of funds.
- Total aid, including a HEAPS award, may not exceed the recipient's total cost of attendance (institutional budget).
- Awards are contingent upon annual funding of the program by the West Virginia State Legislature.
- Recipients are selected each year by the College based on the student's eligibility and the availability of funds.

Renewals

- HEAPS grants can be renewed until the program of study is completed but cannot exceed an additional nine years beyond the first year of the award.
- Renewal consideration will be based on meeting satisfactory academic progress, filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), demonstrating financial need and completing the annual institutional HEAPS application.

I understand that by signing below I have read and understand the eligibility, awarding, and renewal criteria listed above. I understand that in order to be awarded this grant, I must be meeting all eligibility criteria. **If I am receiving other forms of aid which can only pay the cost of tuition and/or required fees I understand that I cannot also receive a HEAPS grant** (for example scholarships, tuition waivers, employer reimbursements, vocational rehabilitation, etc.). In addition, WVNCC reserves the right to award and/or modify awards at any time in accordance with HEAPS eligibility due to funding limitations (funds are based on state allocations each year) or other reason(s) as determined by the institution. ***If I purposely give false or misleading information, I may be subject to disciplinary action as stated in WVNCC's Student Code of Conduct Rule.***

Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: Notifications of the HEAPS Grant award will be available on a Revised Award notification sent to your Northern e-mail from FinancialAidOffice@wvncc.edu. You will be instructed to view your updated Financial Aid Awards through your NOW account; all Financial Aid information is available 24/7 through the NOW Financial Aid Portal. Your eligibility will automatically be reviewed each term of enrollment during the aid year. Only one application is necessary.