

Beaufort County School District

"Where Learning Leads The Way"



**BUILDING A BETTER
BEAUFORT SCHOLARSHIP**

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District Mission

The Beaufort County School District, through a personalized learning approach, will prepare graduates who compete and succeed in an ever-changing global society and career marketplace.

Vision

We will work with families and our diverse community to ensure that students perform at an internationally competitive level in a learning environment that is safe, nurturing and engaging.

Core Beliefs

We believe:

- Every student can learn using his or her valuable and unique talents and skills.
- Learning takes place when the physical, emotional, social and intellectual well-being of all students is assured at every level and during every transition.
- High expectations of the school community positively impact student success.
- Early childhood learning experiences form the foundation of future school success.
- Students learn best when they are engaged and provided with opportunities for problem solving and active participation.
- All students are entitled to learning experiences so that they can become competent and confident in the skills and knowledge needed to become successful and productive citizens.
- Investment, involvement and connection of all members of the school community are essential to a student's success.
- Frequent informal and formal assessment aligned to clearly defined learning objectives will provide improved student achievement.
- The collection, analysis and use of data from a variety of sources are critical to making decisions.
- Students should be prepared to compete and contribute in a changing global and multilingual society.

What is the B3 Scholarship?

The Building a Better Beaufort Scholarship ensures that any Beaufort County School District graduate who meets certain academic eligibility criteria will be guaranteed at least two free years of college tuition at the Technical College of the Lowcountry. The B3 Scholarship encourages students who work hard in high school be secure in the knowledge that a lack of family financial resources will not keep them from attending college. From an economic development perspective, the county will be able to attract businesses by developing a better-educated workforce.

What is the value of the scholarship?

The B3 Scholarship can be used to enroll in a one-year occupational, two-year technical or college transfer program at the Technical College of the Lowcountry. The scholarship will cover the remaining tuition costs of attending TCL after all other available scholarship, lottery and financial aid funds have been secured for each student. The initial award must be used during the fall or spring semester following high school graduation.

How do students apply?

For application information, visit the Technical College of the Lowcountry website at <https://www.tcl.edu/>. The B3 Scholarship is designed to fill in any financial gaps not filled by other scholarship funds. Before applying for a B3 Scholarship, eligible students must first apply for state-sponsored scholarship opportunities such as LIFE, HOPE, the SC Need-Based Grant Program, or the Lottery Tuition Assistance Program.

What are the scholarship's academic eligibility criteria?

- Applicants must graduate from a Beaufort County School District High School.
- The student must apply for full-time enrollment in a one-year certificate, two-year technical degree or college transfer program at the Technical College of the Lowcountry.
- Students who enroll in a transfer program must have a minimum high school grade point average (GPA) of 3.0.
- Students who enroll in a one-year certificate or two-year technical program must have a minimum high school grade point average (GPA) of 2.75.
- The student must successfully meet TCL's entry requirements, including South Carolina residency, U.S. citizenship and placement scores for college courses.
- The student must maintain a full-time course load of 12 credit hours per semester.
- The student must maintain a 3.0 GPA for transfer programs and a 2.75 GPA for certificate or technical programs.
- The B3 Scholarship will not cover bridge or remediation-type courses.
- Funding is available for two years from the date of high school graduation (summer semesters are included if part of a specific program).
- The student must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Student Code: 009910.

What is a transfer student?

A transfer student is any student who has completed at least one hour of college credit after graduating high school. Transferable college credit is defined as any course credit that is recognized by the General Education Category (GEC) catalog.

A transfer student is eligible for the B3 Scholarship if he/she withdraws from a 2 or 4-year college/university during the Fall and wants to transfer to TCL during the Spring. In accordance with the B3 Scholarship, funding is available for two years from the date of graduation from high school. For example, a transfer student will only have three remaining semesters to use the B3 Scholarship under the circumstances. The student must still meet the GPA requirements of 3.0 for transfer courses and 2.75 for Certificate Programs.

What is Full-Time Status?

A student who enrolls in four college courses is considered a full-time student. If a student enrolls full-time (12 credit hours) at TCL and withdraws from one class, the student is no longer considered a full-time student. The student can only take advantage of the B3 Scholarship one-time under these circumstances. If the same full-time student drops/withdraws a course for a second time, he/she will forfeit continued eligibility of the B3 Scholarship indefinitely.

Will Winter/Early Graduation from High School be eligible for the B3 Scholarship?

Winter or Early graduates from Beaufort County School District will be eligible for the B3 Scholarships even if they are not enrolled in the Early College Credit Opportunity Program. Students who are Winter or Early Graduates who meet the B3 Scholarship eligibility requirements may start receiving funding from the scholarship effective immediately (January/Spring Semester).

What's the 2019 application deadline for the B3 Scholarship?

The deadline for students from the Class of 2019 is Thursday, June 28, 2019.

Who is the point of contact for more information?

For more information on the B3 Scholarship, students should contact their School Counselor.

School	School Counselor	Phone Number	Email
Battery Creek High School	Latoshia Middleton	(843) 322-5629	Latoshia.middleton@beaufort.k12.sc.us
Beaufort High School	Lakeshia Doctor	(843) 322-2125	Lakeshia.doctor@beaufort.k12.sc.us
Bluffton High School	Dana House	(843) 706-8809	Dana.house@beaufort.k12.sc.us
Hilton Head High School	Tammy Videla	(843) 689-4916	Tammy.videla@beaufort.k12.sc.us
Islands Academy	Aswan Holmes	(843) 322-2580	Aswan.holmes@beaufort.k12.sc.us
May River High School	Carrie Carter	(843) 836-4869	Carrie.carter@beaufort.k12.sc.us
Whale Branch Early College High School	Kimberly Brown	(843) 466-2743	Kimberly.brown@beaufort.k12.sc.us