THE SANDHILLS PROMISE

Moore and Hoke County residents who graduate from a public/private high school or registered home school having completed four dual enrollment courses at Sandhills will pay no tuition at the college for the two years immediately following high school graduation.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Be a resident of Moore or Hoke County.
2. Be a high school graduate (public and private) or registered home-school equivalent and plan to attend SCC as a degree-seeking, curriculum student the fall semester immediately following high school graduation.
3. Successfully complete at least four dual-enrollment courses through the Career and College Promise program at SCC with a GPA of 2.0 or higher and a 67% completion rate by the time of high school graduation.

Enrollment Requirements

1. Apply to Sandhills as a degree-seeking student first by completing the online admissions application at www.sandhills.edu and then completing the steps to enrollment, which includes attending an orientation session and either taking the placement test or being deemed exempt.
   - More than likely, you have completed an SCC admissions application for the Career and College Promise Program (CCP) in high school, but a new admissions application is required when you become a college student.
   - After you submit your new SCC admissions application, you will receive an acceptance letter with more detail regarding orientation dates and testing/exemption information.
2. Apply for the Sandhills Promise by completing the online SCC scholarship application at scholarships.sandhills.edu.
   The SCC scholarship application serves as your application for the Sandhills Promise.
3. Apply for financial aid by completing the 2019-20 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) using 2017 tax information at www.fafsa.gov.

Deadline Information

Fall 2019 Sandhills Promise Deadline: July 11, 2019

The following requirements must be met by July 11, 2019 in order to participate in the Promise program.
- Your new SCC admissions application must be completed, submitted, and on record with the SCC Admissions Office.
- Your official high school transcript showing your graduation date must be submitted and on record with the SCC Admissions Office.
- Your SCC scholarship application must be completed, submitted, and on record with the SCC Scholarship Office.
- Your 2019-20 FAFSA and all additional, required financial aid paperwork must be completed, submitted, and on record with the SCC Financial Aid Office.

If you wait until the week of the deadline to complete and submit your FAFSA to SCC, you will not meet the deadline. FAFSA forms may take up to five days or longer to process first with the Department of Education, and then you may have to complete required financial aid paperwork with the SCC Financial Aid Office.

Applicants who submit a new SCC admissions application, an official high school transcript, a SCC scholarship application, a 2019-20 FAFSA, and/or required financial aid paperwork after July 11, 2019 will not be accepted into the Promise program.
Scholarship Details

For students who meet all of the required criteria, Sandhills Community College will agree to pay the tuition and technology/activity fees up to the in-state rate for two years, including summer terms.

- SCC will cover tuition up to the in-state rate for courses taken by out of state students. If an out of state student receives other forms of financial aid that cover the in-state tuition portion, the student will not be eligible for the Sandhills Promise Program during that semester.
- The two years of eligibility begins in the fall semester after high school graduation and ends following the summer semester of the second year.
- Funding from federal and state grants, scholarships, and outside funding must be exhausted before SCC begins paying.
- Books are not included under the Sandhills Promise Program.

Post-Enrollment Requirement

- Once enrolled, students must continuously meet the financial aid Satisfactory Academic Progress standards outlined by the state and federal government (maintain at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA and complete at least 67% of all courses attempted at Sandhills Community College).

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