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June 30, 2024

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The Honorable Ghazala F. Hashmi Chair, Senate Education and Health 201 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 616 Richmond, VA 23219 The Honorable Luke Torian Chair, House Appropriations 201 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 123 Richmond, VA 23219

The Honorable Sam Rasoul Chair, House Education 201 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 910 Richmond, VA 23219

## **Dear Sirs and Madams:**

In <u>Item 136</u>, <u>Paragraph G.4</u> of the 2023 Appropriation Act (Chapter 1, Acts of Assembly), the Virginia General Assembly appropriated \$250,000 to provide tuition scholarships to licensed public high school teachers pursuing additional credentialing in order to be considered faculty who are qualified to teach dual enrollment courses in their local school division. The Department of Education consolidates information from applying and awarded school divisions and submits an annual report to the Chairs of the Senate Finance and Appropriations and Education and Health Committees, as well as to the House Education and Appropriations Committees.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Shawna LeBlond, Director of the Office of Apprenticeships at <u>Shawna.LeBlond@doe.virginia.gov</u> or (804) 750-8594.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Lisa Coons

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# **REPORT ON DUAL ENROLLMENT TUITION SCHOLARSHIP GRANT PROGRAM**

Appropriation Act – Item 136 G.4 (Special Session I, 2023) June 30, 2024



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# **OVERVIEW AND AUTHORITY**

In the Chapter 1 Appropriation Act, (Special Session I, 2023) the Virginia General Assembly appropriated \$250,000 from the general fund (Fiscal Year 2024) to provide tuition scholarships to be allocated solely for licensed public high school teachers pursuing additional credentialing requirements necessary to be considered faculty who are qualified to teach dual enrollment courses in high schools in their local school division.

Below is the Appropriation Act language outlining the requirements for the tuition scholarships.

## Item 136, Paragraph G.4.

*Out of this appropriation, \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year from the general* fund is provided for tuition scholarships to be specifically allocated solely for licensed public high school teachers pursuing additional credentialing requirements necessary to be considered faculty who are qualified to teach dual enrollment courses in high schools in their local school division. The Department of Education shall make payments on behalf of the scholarship recipients directly to the regionally accredited Virginia institution of higher education where the scholarship recipient is enrolled in courses for credit applicable to dual enrollment course curriculum available for public high school students. The lifetime maximum dual enrollment tuition scholarship award for each approved eligible teacher is \$7,500. Eligibility for access to these dual enrollment tuition scholarship awards shall be determined through an application process whereby school divisions shall apply to the Department of Education. In the application process, the applying school division shall include: i) an explanation of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is warranted, ii) the dual enrollment course or courses that shall be offered by the scholarship recipient's high school and taught by the recipient upon the recipient's successful completion of required coursework for appropriate credentialing to teach such dual enrollment courses, and iii) the projected student enrollment in the recipient taught public high school dual enrollment courses. The Department of Education shall compile and report the application information for each applying school division, and shall also report the number of recipients and amount of tuition awarded to each school division, the institution of higher education receiving tuition, the credentialing area pursued by recipients, and dual enrollment courses offered after the recipient's successful completion of the pursued credentialing. The Department shall submit the report by June 30 annually to the House Committees on Education and Appropriations and the Senate Committees on Finance and Appropriations and Education and Health.

The dual enrollment tuition scholarship grant was first funded by the General Assembly in fiscal year 2020. However, due to language requiring applicants to be enrolled in an approved undergraduate or graduate teacher education program applicable to dual enrollment course curriculum available for public high school students, no scholarship awards were granted during that year. An amendment to the Appropriation Act language was made in fiscal year 2021, so school divisions were able to identify eligible candidates and apply for the scholarship on their behalf. Since that amendment, the VDOE has received a consistent increase of applications and awarded more funds each year.

# **APPLICATION FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS GRANT**

A Superintendent's Memo (refer to Appendix A) was posted on June 29, 2023, to the Virginia Department of Education's website to announce the dual enrollment tuition opportunity. A reminder news article was sent out in the new Virginia Education Update Newsletter (refer to Appendix B out on August 31, 2023). Sixty-four teachers met all the eligibility criteria and received the scholarship, paid directly to the institutions of higher education.

# **SUMMARY OF AWARDS**

This year, the number of teachers being awarded a tuition scholarship tripled through this program and the total amount awarded quadrupled since fiscal year 2021 from 13 to 64. Every year, at least half of the dual enrollment areas being pursued are in a science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) area.

In fiscal year 2024, twenty-seven school divisions applied for the dual enrollment tuition scholarship grant and sixty-four teachers were awarded a scholarship. The total amount awarded was \$169,736, with individual awards ranging from \$712 to \$7,500. The teachers receiving the scholarship were enrolled in twelve institutions of higher education including Emory & Henry College, George Mason University, Hollins University, James Madison University, Liberty University, Old Dominion University, Radford University, Regent University, Shenandoah University, University of Lynchburg, Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

# **DETAILED REPORT OF AWARDS**

Provided below is a detailed account of the school division recipients, number of teachers benefiting, total award amounts, the institutions of higher education receiving the awards, and information regarding the dual enrollment area the teacher is pursuing:

School Division	Total Number of Teachers	Total Award	Institution of Higher Education	Dual Enrollment Area(s)
Augusta County	1	\$1,420	James Madison University	Mathematics
Projected student enrollment in the recipient taught high school dual enrollment course:12-15; Explanation provided by school division of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is warranted: Stuarts Draft High School does not currently have a mathematics teacher willing to teach dual enrollment quantitative reasoning, statistical reasoning, calculus, probability and statistics. This grant would assist the teacher in pursuing her master's degree program to teach				

dual enrollment c education.	ourses. This grant	will ensure that th	ne students have access t	o higher	
Bath County	1	\$2,364	Radford University	Mathematics	
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			dual enrollment tuition		
			dual enrollment mathen		
	•	ē	bility of dual enrollment		
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opportunities for	our students.	¢1.625	T'1 / TT'''	T 1' 1	
Bedford County	1	\$1,635	Liberty University	English	
	<u> </u>	\$3,810	Liberty University	History	
			igh school dual enrollme		
			dual enrollment tuition		
warranted: Schola	arship would help	teachers become e	eligible to teach addition	al dual	
enrollment classe	s that school divisi	ion is currently ur	able to offer.		
Botetourt	1	\$1,741	George Mason	Spanish	
County	1	φ1,/41	University	Spanish	
Projected student	enrollment in the	recipient taught h	igh school dual enrollme	ent course: 15-20;	
5			dual enrollment tuition		
			rollment at James River		
Chesapeake					
City	1	\$4,170	Regent University	Psychology	
Projected student enrollment in the recipient taught high school dual enrollment course:60;					
Explanation provided by school division of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is					
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				e Associate s	
Degree mat stude	nts could acquire v	while still in high			
Clarke County	1	\$1,716	George Mason	Physics	
	11	•••••	University	-	
			igh school dual enrollme		
Explanation provided by school division of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is					
	ould expand the d	lual enrollment op	ptions for the students.		
Dickenson	2	\$4,728	Radford University	Mathematics	
County		,	•		
Projected student	enrollment in the	recipient taught h	igh school dual enrollme	ent course: 20;	
			dual enrollment tuition		
warranted: Need t	for additional staff	to provide dual e	nrollment courses.		
	2	¢0 176	George Mason	$Q_{\alpha\alpha} = 1 Q_{\alpha} = 1^{\alpha}$	
	3	\$8,176	University	Social Studies	
	_	<b></b>	George Mason	<b>5 1 1</b>	
Fairfax County	1	\$1,716	University	English	
- unitar County			University of		
	1	\$3,381	Lynchburg	Mathematics	
	2	\$4,176	Radford University	Mathematics	
Drojactad student	-				
Projected student enrollment in the recipient taught high school dual enrollment course:90-					
100; Explanation provided by school division of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship					

is warranted: School division would like to grow the number of offerings in high schools and at the online campus. This scholarship will allow additional instructors to become credentialed						
and increase the number of dual enrollment courses offered.						
Fluvanna County	2	\$3,195	James Madison University	Mathematics		
			igh school dual enrollme			
	-	-	dual enrollment tuition	_		
			cher in the mathematics scheduling options and	-		
	closer to retireme		scheduning options and	is not sustainable		
as our starr draws		\$7,500	Virginia Tech	Mathematics		
Giles County	1	\$2,415	Liberty University	Early Childhood Education		
Projected student	enrollment in the	recipient taught h	igh school dual enrollme	ent course:20;		
			dual enrollment tuition			
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them to explore a	dditional career pa	thways.				
Hampton City Schools	1	\$1,182	Radford University	Mathematics		
Projected student	enrollment in the	recipient taught h	igh school dual enrollme	ent course:80-		
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		•	lege Experience (ACE)			
			in rigorous academic pr	ogramming		
resulting in an ass	sociates degree as		ool diploma.			
	2	\$4,728	Radford University	Mathematics		
			Virginia			
Henrico County	1	\$2,235	Commonwealth	Mathematics		
			University			
	1	\$3,690	Liberty University	Mathematics		
			igh school dual enrollme			
			dual enrollment tuition			
			support the effort to incre	- ·		
		-	t our students deserve. I			
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	r of students who		dual enrollment math co			
Isle of Wight	2	\$2,832	Radford University	Mathematics		
			igh school dual enrollme			
	•	•	dual enrollment tuition	-		
	warranted: IWCS is working to build a 2-year associate degree program for high school					
students. This begins with employing enough credentialed faculty to meet the requirements of						
the Virginia passport and Uniform Certificate of Graduate Studies. We currently have very						
limited faculty that meet these requirements and due to the rural nature of our district, we struggle to attract qualified candidates.						
00	qualified candidat	les.	Coore Maran			
Loudoun	12	\$41,598	George Mason	English		
County			University	-		

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	1	\$2,130	James Madison University	Mathematics	
	1	\$2,775	Virginia Tech	Environmental Science	
	1	\$1,566	Virginia Tech	Career & Technical Education	
Explanation provi warranted: Arrang	ided by school div gements were mad	ision of why such e through the LC	igh school dual enrollme dual enrollment tuition PS Secondary English C acrease student demand f	scholarship is office to have a	
Page County	1	\$6,780	Liberty University	English	
Explanation provi warranted: In a ru particularly those division and has a and desire to prov County and willin	ided by school diversed of the school diverse and the school diverse and the school diverse to add this wide dual enrollment of the school diverse to support the school diverse to school	ision of why such s Page County, it ent certifications. certification to he nt courses within	igh school dual enrollme dual enrollment tuition is difficult to hire and re The recipient is a vetera er repertoire to support t the division. Their comm er school in this area is r	scholarship is etain teachers, an teacher for the he ongoing need nitment to Page	
greatly appreciate Patrick County	1	\$906	Radford University	Mathematics	
Projected student enrollment in the recipient taught high school dual enrollment course: 40; Explanation provided by school division of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is warranted: Patrick County High School is in a small, rural school division in southwestern Virginia. It strives to provide opportunities to students that ensure they can obtain advanced diplomas and begin their college careers. The school division continues to have difficulties securing licenses mathematics teachers to fill vacancies. The school division is thrilled that one of the current mathematics teachers is pursuing her MS in Mathematics Educations and would like to support her in every way possible.					
Portsmouth City	1	\$1,845	Liberty University	Government	
Projected student enrollment in the recipient taught high school dual enrollment course: 60; Explanation provided by school division of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is warranted: The teacher currently teaches in Virginia and US Government and would love to work with the dual enrollment students who are seeking a deeper understanding of the government system.					
	2	\$6,864	George Mason University	History	
Prince William County	1	\$1,716	George Mason University	English	
	3	\$2,994	Radford University	Mathematics	
Projected student enrollment in the recipient taught high school dual enrollment course: 50; Explanation provided by school division of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is warranted: Scholarship would afford teachers the opportunity to work towards the career goal of being able to offer curriculum that has a real-world impact.					

Pulaski County	2	\$1,812	Radford University	English	
Projected student enrollment in the recipient taught high school dual enrollment course: 12-85;					
Explanation provided by school division of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is					
warranted: Pursuing this dual enrollment endorsement will help the teacher better serve the					
school, current stu	idents and future s	tudents. The teac	her can take the teaching	g strategies and	
lessons learned in	class, apply the k	nowledge to impr	ove rigor and provide be	etter outcomes.	
Roanoke City	1	\$1,445	Hollins University	English	
5	1	\$906	Radford University	Mathematics	
Projected student	enrollment in the	recipient taught h	igh school dual enrollme	ent course: 15-30	
Explanation provi	ded by school div	ision of why such	dual enrollment tuition	scholarship is	
warranted: Divisi	on is trying to ince	entivize and increa	ase the number of teache	ers that are	
certified to teach	dual enrollment ar	d AP courses in c	conjunction with Virgini	a Western	
Community Colle	ege.				
Shenandoah	1	\$1,845	Liberty University	English	
County	1	\$2,790	Shenandoah	Anatomy and	
County	1	\$2,790	University	Physiology	
Projected student	enrollment in the	recipient taught h	igh school dual enrollme	ent course: 20;	
Explanation provi	ded by school div	ision of why such	dual enrollment tuition	scholarship is	
warranted: By con	mpleting these cou	rses, our high sch	nool will be able to offer	students	
additional dual en	rollment courses.	Furthermore, the	certification will guaran	tee that the high	
school can contin	ue to offer dual en	rollment courses	when the current instruc	tor retires.	
	1	\$2,085	Regent University	Psychology	
	1	¢1 707	Old Dominion	History	
1         \$1,797         Old Dominion           Virginia Baach         1         \$1,797         University				History	
Virginia Beach	Old Dominion				
City	1	\$5,391	University	English	
	1	\$5,991	Liberty University	English	
	1	\$906	Radford University	Mathematics	
Projected student	enrollment in the	recipient taught h	igh school dual enrollme	ent course: 40-	
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<b>TTT 1</b>	1	\$5,085	Liberty University	English	
Washington County		1 \$2,190	Emory & Henry		
	1		College	History	
Projected student enrollment in the recipient taught high school dual enrollment course: 20;					
Explanation provided by school division of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is					
	-	-	or students attending Wa	-	
<b>*</b>			nmunity colleges.	gion county	

# **FUTURE PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS**

In fiscal year 2024, the dual enrollment tuition scholarship grant program had a balance of \$80,264 which is approximately 32% of the balance. While the VDOE has seen a consistent increase in the use of funds since the inception of the grant program, the following recommendations:

- 1. Increasing the lifetime maximum amount to \$12,000 per teacher. Dual Enrollment teachers must have 18 graduate credit hours in the core subject area if the coursework they are teaching is to transfer to a baccalaureate program. Looking at the tuition rates for public institutions, the current rate is approximately \$560 per credit hour. With the current limit of \$7,500, school divisions and/or teachers must cover the approximately \$2,500 in remaining tuition.
- 2. Increasing awareness of the tuition scholarship grant program. With the transition to the Virginia Education Update Newsletter, the VDOE expects to increase publicity directly to teachers and administrators about the program. In the past, the reliance on sending to Superintendents directly, meant that there was an information delay.

# **APPENDICES**

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# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

SUBJECT:	Grant for Tuition Scholarships for Licensed High School Teachers to be Considered Faculty to Teach Dual Enrollment Courses
FROM:	Dr. Lisa Coons, Superintendent of Public Instruction
TO:	Division Superintendents
DATE:	June 29, 2023

The Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) is seeking grant applications to provide tuition scholarships for licensed public high school teachers pursuing additional credentialing required to be considered faculty who are qualified to teach dual enrollment courses in high schools in their local school division.

Completed grant applications must be received by the VDOE no later than 4 p.m. on September 15, 2023, for coursework taken during the Fall 2023 semester. Applications must be received no later than 4 p.m. on February 2, 2024, for coursework taken during the Spring 2024 semester.

The General Assembly appropriated \$250,000 in fiscal year 2024 for tuition scholarships. Details of the grant opportunity and the process to apply may be found in the attachment.

For additional information or questions, please contact:

Торіс	Staff Name	Email	Phone Number
Tuition Scholarships for High School Teachers to be Considered Faculty to Teach Dual Enrollment Courses	Shawna LeBlond, Grants Manager, Department of Teacher Education and Licensure	Shawna.LeBlond@doe.virgi nia.gov	(804) 692-0172

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## Attachment:

A. <u>Grant Application for School Divisions to Apply for Tuition Scholarships for Licensed</u> <u>High School Teachers to be Considered Faculty to Teach Dual Enrollment Courses</u> (Word)

Attachment A Superintendent's Memo #128-23 June 29, 2023



# GRANT APPLICATION FOR SCHOOL DIVISIONS TO APPLY FOR TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS FOR LICENSED HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS TO BE CONSIDERED FACULTY TO TEACH DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES

# FISCAL YEAR 2024

Department of Teacher Education and Licensure Virginia Department of Education PO Box 2120 Richmond, Virginia 23218-2120



# **COMPETITIVE GRANT APPLICATION**

## Grant Application for School Divisions to Apply for Tuition Scholarships for Licensed High School Teachers to be Considered Faculty to Teach Dual Enrollment Courses

Issue Date:	June 29, 2023
Title:	Grant Application for School Divisions to Apply for Tuition Scholarships for Licensed High School Teachers to be Considered Faculty to Teach Dual Enrollment Courses
Issuing Agency:	Virginia Department of Education
Agency Contact:	Shawna LeBlond, Grants Specialist Office of Licensure and School Leadership Virginia Department of Education PO Box 2120 Richmond, Virginia 23218-2120
Issued to:	Virginia School Divisions
Funding Authority:	Virginia General Assembly
Grant Period:	July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024
Application Submission Deadlines:	September 15, 2023 for Fall 2023 requests; February 2, 2024 for Spring 2024 requests

Interested applicants (school divisions) are requested to submit a grant application no later than 4 p.m. on September 15, 2023 for Fall 2023 semester funding. Grant applications for Spring 2024 semester funding are requested no later than 4 p.m on February 2, 2024.

Please direct all inquiries, questions, and requests for information to: Ms. Shawna LeBlond, Grant's Specialist, Virginia Department of Education, either by email to Shawna.LeBlond@doe.virginia.gov or phone (804) 692-0172.

The Virginia Department of Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, national origin, religion, age, political affiliation, veteran status, or against otherwise qualified persons with disabilities in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

In order to be considered for selection, school divisions must submit a complete application. The completed and signed **Proposal Cover Page** must be submitted. Additionally, for each teacher scholarship requested, the **Teacher Information Form** must be completed. You may duplicate the form.

Proposals must be submitted via e-mail to Shawna.LeBlond@doe.virginia.gov with the subject Line of DUAL ENROLLMENT TUITION SCHOLARSHIP GRANT – School Division Name. The application must be received by the Department of Teacher Education and Licensure, Virginia Department of Education, <u>no later than 4 p.m.</u>, Eastern Daylight Time (EDT), on September 15, 2023 (Fall 2023 funding requests) or February 2, 2024 (Spring 2024 funding requests). Proposals that are received after the deadline will not be accepted unless the deadline is modified by the Department of Education.

#### **Email Address:**

Shawna.LeBlond@doe.virginia.gov Please include in the subject line: DUAL ENROLLMENT TUITION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION – School Division Name

Please note: Teachers may not apply individually for the Dual Enrollment Tuition Scholarship outside of the above process.

## **GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATION**

The Virginia General Assembly appropriated \$250,000 from the general fund (Fiscal Year 2024) to provide tuition scholarships to be specifically allocated solely for licensed public high school teachers pursuing additional credentialing requirements necessary to be considered faculty who are qualified to teach dual enrollment courses in high schools in their local school division. Below is the Appropriation language outlining the requirements for the grants. This text details the revisions from the Special Session in the requirements for the tuition scholarships.

## 2022 Special Session I, Chapter 2, Item 136, G.4

4. Out of this appropriation, \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year from the general fund is provided for tuition scholarships to be specifically allocated solely for licensed public high school teachers pursuing additional credentialing requirements necessary to be considered faculty who are qualified to teach dual enrollment courses in high schools in their local school division. The Department of Education shall make payments on behalf of the scholarship recipients directly to the regionally accredited Virginia institution of higher education where the scholarship recipient is enrolled in courses for credit applicable to dual enrollment course curriculum available for public high school students. The lifetime maximum dual enrollment tuition scholarship award for each approved eligible teacher is \$7,500. Eligibility for access to these dual enrollment tuition process

whereby school divisions shall apply to the Department of Education. In the application process, the applying school division shall include: i) an explanation of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is warranted, ii) the dual enrollment course or courses that shall be offered by the scholarship recipient's high school and taught by the recipient upon the recipient's successful completion of required coursework for appropriate credentialing to teach such dual enrollment courses, and iii) the projected student enrollment in the recipient taught public high school dual enrollment courses. The Department of Education shall compile and report the application information for each applying school division, and shall also report the number of recipients and amount of tuition awarded to each school division, the institution of higher education receiving tuition, the credentialing area pursued by recipients, and dual enrollment courses offered after the recipient's successful completion of the pursued credentialing. The Department shall submit the report by June 30 annually to the House Committees on Education and Appropriations and the Senate Committees on Finance and Education and Health.

# 2023-2024 GRANT REQUIREMENTS

The criteria set forth in Item 136, G.4. from the 2022 Special Session I must be met.

Funds will be provided for tuition scholarships to be allocated for licensed public high school teachers pursuing additional credentialing requirements necessary to be considered faculty who are qualified to teach dual enrollment courses in high schools in their local school division. Faculty qualification guidelines established by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) and the State Board for Community Colleges can be found in the *Governing Principles for Dual Enrollment Between Virginia's Public Schools and the Virginia Community College System*.

All coursework must be taken at a regionally accredited Virginia institution of higher education for credit during either the Fall 2023 semester or the Spring 2024 semester. Coursework taken at institutions outside of Virginia (including online programs) or outside of these designated semesters will not eligible. The teacher and the division are responsible to ensure that the course submitted for tuition scholarship is an approved course by the participating (dual enrollment) institution of higher education.

In the application process, the applying school division shall include:

- i) an explanation of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is warranted,
- ii) the dual enrollment course or courses that shall be offered by the scholarship recipient's high school and taught by the recipient upon the recipient's successful completion of required coursework for appropriate credentialing to teach such dual enrollment courses, and
- iii) the projected student enrollment in the recipient taught public high school dual enrollment courses.

<u>Priority</u>: If requests exceed the appropriation, the Department of Education will consider the geographic distribution of grant recipients.

**REPORTING REQUIREMENTS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**  Recipients of the Dual Enrollment Tuition Scholarship will be required to submit evidence of successful course completion as well as a survey sent out by the Department of Education regarding the program.

The Department of Education shall compile and report the application information for each applying school division and also shall report the number of recipients and amount of tuition awarded to each school division, the institution of higher education receiving tuition, the credentialing area pursued by recipients, and dual enrollment courses offered after the recipient's successful completion of the pursued credentialing. The Department shall submit the report by June 30, 2024, to the House Committees on Education and Appropriations and the Senate Committees on Finance and Education and Health.

## METHOD OF PAYMENT

The school division will be responsible to submit to the Virginia Department of Education an official invoice from the Virginia institution of higher education for the courses in which the teacher is enrolled. The invoice must include the following information:

- Virginia Institution of Higher Education;
- Name of Individual and Office, including address, to Whom Payment is to be Remitted;
- Teacher's Full Name;
- Teacher's Student Identification Number at the Institution of Higher Education
- Name of Course (including prefix); and
- Amount of Tuition for Course (course tuition only; no fees permitted).

The Department of Education shall make payments on behalf of the scholarship recipients directly to the Virginia institution of higher education where the scholarship recipient is enrolled in credit courses (approved for dual enrollment) applicable to dual enrollment course curriculum available for public high school students.

The lifetime maximum dual enrollment tuition scholarship award for each approved eligible teacher is \$7,500.

## APPLICATION

#### 2023-2024 GRANT APPLICATION FOR SCHOOL DIVISIONS TO APPLY FOR TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS FOR LICENSED HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS TO BE CONSIDERED FACULTY TO TEACH DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES

## **PROPOSAL COVER PAGE**

Applying School Division:	
Address:	
Name of Division Superintendent:	
Name of Grant Contact:	
Title:	
Address:	
Telephone:	Fax:
Email:	
Number Tuition Scholarships Requested for High School Teacher	s:
(Attach the form for each teacher.)	Φ.
<b>Total State Funding Amount Requested</b>	\$

#### **Certification by the Division Superintendent:**

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the information in this proposal is correct; the filing of this proposal is duly authorized by the school board/division; and the division will adhere to the requirements of the grant. This school division will submit to the Department of Education an invoice, including payment information, from the regionally accredited Virginia institution of higher education for the tuition cost for the course with the detailed information as specified. I certify that the high school teachers whose names are submitted are enrolled in credit courses approved by the participating institutions of higher education to teach dual enrollment course curriculum available for public high school students. I agree to provide the outlined information required for the Department of Education's annual report to the General Assembly.

Typed or Printed Name of Division Superintendent or Designee	Title
Signature of Division Superintendent or Designee	Date

#### VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TEACHER EDUCATION AND LICENSURE PO. BOX 2120 \* RICHMOND, VIRGINIA 23218-2120

#### 2023-2024 GRANT APPLICATION FOR SCHOOL DIVISIONS TO APPLY FOR TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS FOR LICENSED HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS TO BE CONSIDERED FACULTY TO TEACH DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES

## **TEACHER INFORMATION**

This form is to be completed for <u>each</u> high school licensed teacher applying for tuition scholarships to be considered faculty to teach dual enrollment courses. <u>Incomplete forms may not be accepted</u>.

Please complete for each high school teacher. If you need additional space, please duplicate the page.

Full Name (First, Middle, Last): \_\_\_\_\_\_ License Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_[Please include prefix and number of current Virginia teaching license.]

Street Address:\_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

 Phone Number: (\_\_)
 Email Address:

Name of high school where teacher is employed and current teaching assignment:\_\_\_\_\_

\*The teacher and division should have verification that the course(s) is/are approved for the dual enrollment area. Faculty members teaching associate degree courses designed for transfer to a baccalaureate degree have earned a doctorate or master's degree in the teaching discipline or master's degree with a minimum of 18 graduate semester hours in the teaching discipline.\*

Please respond to the following:

1. Name of the regionally accredited Virginia institution of higher education where the teacher is currently enrolled in a

relevant content course/teaching discipline approved for dual enrollment:

2. Course number and name of <u>content</u> course requesting tuition scholarship

(include course prefix, such as CHEM-502: Analytical Chemistry):

3. Dual Enrollment area pursued by teacher:

4. Teacher's student identification number at the institution of higher education:

5. Tuition cost of course (no fees): \$

6. Dual Enrollment course(s) that will be offered and projected student enrollment:

7. Please state how many additional semester hours are needed to become eligible to teach dual enrollment:

8. Please provide a brief explanation of why the scholarship is warranted:

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Virginia Department of Education sent this bulletin at 08/31/2023 04:45 PM EDT



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- Tuition Scholarships Available, due September 15<sup>th</sup>
- Student advisory board applications due September 28<sup>th</sup>
- Active Learning Grant applications due September 21<sup>st</sup>
- Updates to VVAAS require division data updates with due dates in October
- Reminder to submit ESSER spending to OMEGA in a timely manner
- FFATA reporting due September 29<sup>th</sup>

#### Key Takeaways

- ESSER Tracking Dashboard launches on September 5<sup>th</sup>
- Opportunities for student leadership on student advisory board
- Two articles feature opportunities for professional learning for teachers of English Learners
- Active Learning Grants available
- Cybersecurity Grant Program Launches
- Title II, Part A Allocations Released
- ISAEP State Grant Funds Approved

Beginning this week, only new articles will be published. These will be at the top of the newsletter. As a reference, articles from previous newsletters are presented at the bottom of this edition. View all our newsletters online.

## Tuition Scholarships Available for Licensed High School Teachers Seeking Dual Enrollment Credentialing A

Audience: Superintendents, Directors, School Principals, Teachers Contact: Shawna LeBlond, Grants Manager

Superintendent's Memo #128-23 announced that the VDOE was seeking grant applications to provide **tuition scholarships** for licensed public high school teachers pursuing additional credentialing required to be considered faculty who are qualified to teach **dual enrollment** courses in high schools in their local school division.

Completed grant applications must be received no later than **4 p.m. on September 15, 2023** for coursework taken during the Fall 2023 semester.