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Scholarships

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TITLE IV FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANCE

The Federal programs of financial aid at Mid-Plains Community College include loans, grants, and part-time employment. The purpose is to assist qualified students who desire financial assistance to make possible their attendance at college. To be eligible for Federal Financial Aid at MPCC a student must have a high school diploma, GED certificate **or** demonstrate Ability to Benefit (see ATB procedure below) **prior to enrollment** in an occupational or academic program of study leading to a degree, diploma or certificate. (ATB Procedure -- must pass all parts, in one sitting, of a nationally approved Ability to Benefit test measuring the students aptitude to successfully complete a program.)

Repeated Courses - Courses re-taken by a student in which a grade of A, B, or C was previously earned will not count towards eligibility for federal financial aid funding at MPCC.

Persons interested in general information about federal financial aid should contact or write the Office of Financial Aid at either McCook or North Platte Community College. To apply for all types of federal financial aid the student needs to go online at www.fafsa.ed.gov and complete the FAFSA application form. Students attending college through one of the extended campus locations at Broken Bow, Imperial, Ogallala or Valentine should also go online to complete their FAFSA applications. The processed FAFSA report (known as the Student Aid Report or SAR) plus any other documentation requested by the Financial Aid Office must be submitted before an application will be considered complete. Some students may be selected for verification. This process requires the student to submit supporting documentation in addition to the SAR. FAFSA results received in the Financial Aid Office before May 1st will be given first consideration. FAFSA results received after May 1 will be considered if funds are available.

The following are federal grants or loan programs and the requirements for applying and maintaining each form of financial assistance:

FEDERAL PELL GRANTS (FPG)

The Federal Pell Grant program provides direct assistance to eligible students. The amount of the grant will depend on the student's and student's family financial contribution, the cost of attending college, the period of time the student is enrolled during the academic year and the number of credit hours registered for each semester.

To apply, students need to complete the FAFSA application online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. A Student Aid Report (SAR) will be mailed to the student in about 2-3 weeks. The maximum grant per academic year is \$4,731 (2008-09). A student applying for a Federal Pell Grant cannot charge tuition, fees, books, board and room or any other direct college expense until his/her results from the FAFSA application are received and validated by the college financial aid office.

FEDERAL ACADEMIC COMPETITIVENESS GRANTS (ACG)

An Academic Competitiveness Grant will provide up to \$750 for the first year of undergraduate study and up to \$1,300 for the second year of undergraduate study to students enrolled at least half the time in an approved MPCC degree seeking program. The student must also be a U.S. citizen or an

eligible non-citizen who is eligible for a Federal Pell Grant, and have successfully completed a rigorous high school program, as determined by the state or local education agency and recognized by the Secretary of Education, within the year prior to their first year in college. Second year students must also have completed 30 credit hours their first year in college and maintained a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0. The Academic Competitiveness Grant award is in addition to the student's Pell Grant award.

FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT (FSEOG)

A Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant is money awarded to help the most needy students pay for their college education. The award is made directly to the student but is not an entitlement. This means there are no guarantees attached to it. Each year, the Department of Education gives each school a set amount of money to use for FSEOGs. When the money is gone, there are no more funds for that year.

A student may apply by completing a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). FSEOG funds will be awarded to students who have their FAFSA results to the respective campus Financial Aid Office before May 1st. Student applications processed with \$0 (zero) EFC's will be awarded FSEOG funds first.

NEBRASKA STATE GRANT PROGRAM (NSG)

NSG funds are provided to the college by the state of Nebraska. These funds may be awarded to full-time or part-time undergraduate students who are Nebraska residents enrolled in an eligible post-secondary educational institution and are Pell eligible. Priority will be given to students who have their FAFSA results to the respective MPCC Campus Financial Aid Office before May 1st.

FEDERAL COLLEGE WORK-STUDY PROGRAM (FCWSP)

The Federal College Work-Study Program provides jobs on campus to students who demonstrate financial need. Eligible students are paid at least the federal minimum hourly wage. If possible, jobs will be assigned to students in their area of interest. The college determines the number of hours that a student may work and a flexible work schedule is designed so it will not interfere with classes.

The average work-study award at any campus of the Area is approximately \$1,200 to \$2,300, an amount that can be earned by working six to twelve hours per week during the academic year. Students are paid once a month and should assume a normal employer-employee relationship under this program. Failing to do so can result in the loss of the work-study award.

College Work Study will be awarded to students who have their FAFSA results to the respective campus Financial Aid Office before May 1st. Funds will be awarded thereafter if funding is available.

FEDERAL STAFFORD STUDENT LOANS

The Federal Stafford Student Loan program enables students to borrow directly from banks, credit unions, savings and loan associations or other participating lenders to help pay for educational costs after high school. The loan is insured by either the federal government or a state guarantee agency. It is the student's responsibility to locate a lender.

A student must complete a FAFSA and any needed supporting documentation before the Financial Aid Office can approve a Federal Stafford Loan. Applications for the loan can be obtained from the financial aid office. All loans must be applied for annually for each school year.

The maximum amount a student can borrow for a **Federal Stafford Student Loan** is the cost of attendance at the school less any financial aid received or other educational resources. If all eligibility requirements are met the dependent and independent undergraduate student can borrow a **Subsidized Stafford Loan** of up to **\$3,500** the first year and **\$4,500** the second year, and an additional **Unsubsidized Stafford Loan** of up to **\$2,000** each year. The student who is considered independent by Title IV definition may request additional unsubsidized loan funds beyond these limits.

The federal government **pays the interest on Subsidized Stafford Loans** while the student is in school at least half-time and during grace or deferment periods. The **borrower is responsible for interest charges on Unsubsidized Stafford Loans** from the date the loan is disbursed. Repayment on all Federal Stafford Loans begins six months after graduation, withdrawal from college or dropping below half-time status.

FEDERAL PARENT LOANS (PLUS)

The maximum amount a parent can borrow for a Federal PLUS Loan is the cost of attendance at the school minus all financial aid received by the dependent student.

Parents are responsible for interest that begins from the date the loan is disbursed. Repayment begins within 60 days after the final loan disbursement for the first school year, unless the parent is at least a half-time college student. Parents may contact their lender for other repayment options. There is no "grace period" for Federal PLUS Loans.

Applications for Federal "PLUS" Loans may be obtained from the financial aid office or a lending institution. All loans must be applied for annually.

NATIONAL GUARD TUITION CREDIT

Any member of the Nebraska National Guard is entitled to a credit of 75-100 percent of the tuition charge as long as the member maintains satisfactory performance with the Guard and pursues a course of study that satisfies the program or degree requirements of the college.

At the time of enrollment, each member must submit a TAG form or a letter from their educational services officer attesting to his/her eligibility.

U.S. ARMY RESERVE TUITION WAIVERS - STATE OF NEBRASKA

Any member of a Nebraska U.S. Army Reserve unit is entitled to a waiver of at least 50 percent of the tuition charge as long as the member maintains satisfactory performance with the Reserve and pursues a course of study that satisfies the program or degree requirements of the college. The student needs to get together with their Reserve Unit Commander. At that time the **Reserve Unit fills out** an original **Application of Tuition Credit form** with the reservist. (This is truly a waiver of tuition, not a credit.) The Commanding Officer certifies that the reservist's performance is satisfactory and signs the

application. The **Unit Administrator forwards the application** directly to the NDVA in Lincoln, NE NDVA will then review the application, certify that all criteria for the waiver is correct, approve it and notify the college to award the 50% tuition waiver.

Each semester thereafter the **student must get a Tuition Credit Re-Certification form** from their Local Reserve Unit, complete it and return it to the Financial aid Office prior to the beginning of the subsequent semester. **DO NOT** send these Tuition Credit Re-Certification forms to NDVA!

Dependents of deceased or disabled veterans may be eligible to receive a 100% state of Nebraska tuition waiver. Students need to get a Waiver Application form from their County Veterans Service Officer and a NDVA Form 3a to be signed by the college. The student then needs to send both of these forms in as instructed. When the college receives an approval letter from the Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs the student's account will be credited.

Out-of-State students must check with their unit to see if tuition waivers are available.

ARMY RESERVE FEDERAL TUITION ASSISTANCE CONTINUING EDUCATION SYSTEM PROGRAM

This program came into effect in October 2002. The Army Reserve will now pay up to \$250 per credit hour for the charges of an educational institution for tuition and fees of it's soldiers for postsecondary education during off duty periods. This rate for tuition assistance and fees will be applied uniformly whether the instruction is delivered by traditional means or through distance education.

The soldier needs to:

1. Pick up a Request for Tuition Assistance Army Continuing Education System DA 2171-E form from the local Reserve Unit.
2. Complete the DA 2171-E form and submit it to the 89th Regional Support Command (RSC) as instructed.
3. Make certain that the completed DA 2171-E form has been received by the 89th RSC by the end of the Drop and Add Period of the semester in which the student is enrolling.

VETERAN'S BENEFITS

The colleges cooperate with the Veterans Administration in providing for the education of veterans under United States Code. This includes the programs covered in Chapters 30, 31, 32, 35, 1606, and 1607 relating to the education of disabled veterans, war orphans and "Vietnam Era" veterans. Dependents of veterans or of persons classified as prisoners of war or missing in action in Vietnam may also receive financial assistance from the Veterans Administration. Veterans interested in utilizing benefits at MPCC should:

1. Contact the Financial Aid Office at either MCC or NPCC to inform them of intention to use VA benefits and to receive help with the application process.
2. Make application for enrollment to MPCC and complete an application for VA educational benefits (form 22-1990).
3. Veterans discharged from "active duty" must provide the college with a copy of the DD-214 form—copy 4 preferred.
4. National Guard and Army Reserve students should provide the college with a NOBE form.
5. Veterans who have recently applied for educational benefits should be prepared to finance their expenses for the first two months of college while they await their first

benefit check. VA checks should arrive monthly after this initial delay and the checks will be sent directly to the student. VA students must submit monthly verifications; this can be done online at www.gibill.va.gov and click on WAVE or by phone at 1-877-823-2378.

6. It is the responsibility of the VA student to notify the Financial Aid Office of any changes in the program such as changes in classes each semester, dropping individual classes, withdrawal from school or the addition of classes. This must be done in writing on the appropriate forms obtained from the Financial Aid Office.
7. The Veteran's Administration requires the college to report a VA student's progress as unsatisfactory if the student is not progressing to allow graduation within the approved length of time.
8. To qualify as a full-time student in an associate degree or diploma program, veterans must take a minimum of 12 credit hours each semester, nine hours for three-quarter time and six hours for one-half time.

TITLE IV FEDERAL RETURN OF FUNDS POLICY

The unearned portions of Title IV grant or loan funds, but not FWS funds, must be returned to the Title IV programs upon a Title IV recipient's withdrawal from school. The withdrawal date is the date the student began the institution's withdrawal process or officially notified the institution of intent to withdraw. (The mid-point of the term will become the withdrawal date for students who do not officially withdraw and receive no earned credits for the semester -- unless a later documented attendance date can be verified.)

The percentage of the payment period or period of enrollment for which assistance was awarded that was completed is determined by dividing the total number of calendar days comprising the payment period or period of enrollment for which assistance is awarded into the number of calendar days completed in that period as of the day the student withdrew.

To calculate the amount of Title IV assistance earned by a student, the school must first determine the percentage of Title IV assistance the student earned. Up through the 60 percent point in time, the percentage of assistance earned is equal to the percentage of the payment period or period of enrollment for which it was awarded that was completed as of the day the student withdrew. If the student withdrawal occurs after the 60 percent point, then the percentage is 100 percent. That earned percentage is applied to the total amount of Title IV grant and loan assistance that was disbursed (and that could have been disbursed) to the student, or on the student's behalf, for the payment period or period of enrollment for which it was awarded as of the day the student withdrew.

The amount of Title IV grant and loan assistance not earned by the student is calculated by determining the complement of the percentage of assistance the student earned and applying it to the total amount of grant and loan assistance that was disbursed (and that could have been disbursed) to the student, or on the student's behalf, for the payment period or period of enrollment as of the day the student withdrew.

The school will follow the regulations for late disbursement if the student received less grant or loan assistance than the amount earned. If the student has received more grant or loan assistance than the amount earned, then the unearned

funds shall be returned by the school or the student, or both. The school shall return the lesser of the unearned amount of Title IV assistance or an amount equal to the total institutional charges the student incurs for the payment period or period of enrollment for which the assistance was awarded, multiplied by the unearned percentage of awarded Title IV grant and loan assistance. Students return unearned Title IV assistance minus the amount the school returns.

Special rule: A student (or parent for PLUS loans) repays the calculated amount attributable to a Title IV loan program according to the loan's terms. The student must repay funds or make arrangements to repay funds owed for a Title IV grant program to the college within 45 days of the withdrawal or their name will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Education as a student owing a repayment of Federal Title IV funds. The institution shall not be required to return 50 percent of the grant assistance received that is the responsibility of the student to repay.

Excess funds returned by the school or student are credited to outstanding Title IV loan balances for the student or made on the student's behalf for which a return of funds is required. Excess funds must be credited to outstanding balances in the following order: Unsubsidized FFEL loans; Subsidized FFEL loans; Unsubsidized (other than parent loans); Federal Direct loans; Subsidized Federal Direct loans; Federal Perkins loans; FFEL PLUS loans; Federal Direct PLUS loans. If excess funds remain after repaying all outstanding loan amounts, then the remaining amount is credited to grant programs in the following order: Federal Pell Grants; Federal SEOG; other Title IV assistance for which a return of funds is required.

Examples of all return calculations and the repayment calculations are available upon request at the Financial Aid Office.

TITLE IV FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID STANDARDS OF SATISFACTORY PROGRESS

The Higher Education Act mandates higher education institutions to establish minimum standards of satisfactory progress for students receiving financial aid. The college makes these standards applicable to all institutionally awarded funds and Guaranteed Student Loans to maintain a consistent policy for all students receiving financial assistance. The Higher Education Act mandates higher education institutions to establish minimum standards of satisfactory progress for students receiving financial aid.

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TITLE IV FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID STANDARDS OF SATISFACTORY PROGRESS FOR MPCC

Federal regulations mandate that Title IV program funds are not to be paid to students if they are not maintaining satisfactory academic progress in the program of study (leading to a degree or certificate which they are pursuing) according to the standards and practices of the educational institution. These standards apply to the following programs: Federal College Work-Study, Federal Pell Grants, Federal Academic Competitiveness Grants, Federal SEOG, Nebraska State Grant Program and Federal Stafford Student Loans. The unearned portions of Title IV Federal grant or loan funds must be returned to the Title IV Federal programs

upon a Title IV recipient's withdrawal from school or when a student does not officially withdraw and received no earned credits for the semester.

To maintain financial aid standards of satisfactory progress at any campus of Mid-Plains Community College, a student must meet the following standards each semester term, including summer:

1. Qualitative Standard: Students enrolled for 15 semester hours of credit or less must pass 75 percent (rounded to the nearest whole number) of the credits for which they register each semester. Students enrolled for 16 credit hours or more must pass a minimum of 12 hours each semester. (See scale below) Courses re-taken by a student in which a grade of A, B, or C was previously earned will not count towards eligibility for federal financial aid or current full-time enrollment for MPCC scholarships.

Credit Hours Registered for

16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2
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Credit Hours To Pass for Good Standing

Students must maintain at least a 1.5 cumulative grade point average through the first 15 credit hours completed, a 1.75 for 16-30 credit hours, and 2.0 for 31 credit hours or more. Withdrawals, incomplete courses, audits, and credits by examination DO NOT count toward credit hours successfully completed each session.

2. Quantitative Standard: The **maximum time frame** for a student to receive federal financial aid towards completion of a two-year degree at any campus of Mid-Plains Community College is the number of credit hours attempted equal to 1 ½ times the length of the student's program of study. All credits attempted at MPCC and all transfer credit hours accepted that can be used for the student's current program of study are included in the maximum time frame calculation. Students who have received a degree from MPCC or have been placed on financial aid suspension due to reaching their maximum time frame allotment must visit with the Director or Associate Director of Financial Aid to appeal for payment of additional credit hours at MPCC with federal funding.

If a student **does not comply with** the above standards at the end of the semester, he/she will be placed on probation or suspension and notified of such in writing. A student may be placed on probation **one time only** at MPCC.

Title IV Federal Aid will be paid during this probationary semester. If at the end of this period appropriate standards have not been met, all Federal Pell, ACG, SEOG, NSG, Federal Loans, and Federal College Work-Study monies will be suspended and unavailable to the student until he/she re-establishes eligibility. Probation will not be granted if a student has ever been placed on suspension at MPCC. (Exceptions—If a student withdraws from, does not complete or fails all courses registered for, or does not pass 50% of courses attempted with a 1.0 grade-point average in each course, the student's aid will be suspended and he/she will NOT receive any additional Federal Financial Aid until regular re-establishment eligibility is met.)

All students have the right to appeal probationary or suspension status of financial aid through established MPCC Appeals Committees. **The student must request or pick up an appeal form from the Financial Aid Office within 10 business days from the date of the student's probationary or ineligibility notification.** At this time the college will supply an appeal form to the student with details on the appeal procedure and further instructions.

A student can re-establish eligibility by registering and paying for a minimum of nine credit hours in a regular semester or six credits in a summer semester and completing 100% of these credits with a semester grade point average of 2.0. Repayment of Title IV Federal funds related to enrollment in a previous semester at MPCC will not remove you from your financial aid suspension status. Aid may be reinstated from a suspended status one time only. The Directors of Financial Aid may make exceptions to the above standards on a case-by-case basis by exercising professional judgment.

NOTICE - The Financial Aid Office will notify, by letter, any student receiving financial assistance who does not meet minimum satisfactory progress and is being terminated from aid. The notice will be addressed to the student's most current local address on file with the financial aid office.

IT SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STUDENT TO INFORM THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE OF A CORRECT MAILING ADDRESS AT ALL TIMES.

SCHOLARSHIPS

To be eligible for MPCC Institutional Scholarships a student must have a high school diploma, GED certificate or demonstrate Ability to Benefit (see ATB procedure below) **prior to enrollment** in an occupational or academic program of study leading to a degree, diploma or certificate. (ATB Procedure -- Must pass all parts, in one sitting, of a nationally approved Ability to Benefit test measuring the students aptitude to successfully complete a program.)

Repeated Courses -- Courses re-taken by a student in which a grade of A, B or C was previously earned will not be counted towards current full-time enrollment for MPCC scholarships.

Scholarships are intended to recognize academic or other achievements and are designed to financially support the expense of tuition, on-campus residence, and books and supplies that occur while attending Mid-Plains Community College. In almost all instances, fees are excluded from the award.

There are numerous scholarships available at Mid-Plains Community College. Some may be used on any campus and some are restricted to only one campus. Some are awards made by the institution and others are available through private donors.

Most scholarship awards are restricted to one year (2 consecutive semesters) unless the student's award contained the following student guarantee: If a first-year student has reapplied by March 1st and completed at least 12 credit hours in each of his/her first two semesters with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better, he/she will receive at least the same amount of MPCC institutional funds for the second year that he/she received for the freshman year. (Capped at an amount equal to 15 credit hours MPCC tuition each semester.)

All freshman students are encouraged to apply for a new scholarship for their sophomore year.

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To apply for a scholarship at any Mid-Plains Community College campus, visit our Website at www.mpcc.edu. Go to the Financial Aid page and click on the application of your choice. For additional information regarding scholarships contact one of the Financial Aid Offices located at McCook Community College or North Platte Community College South Campus. Scholarship selection will be made by the College Scholarship Committee unless stipulated otherwise by the donor.

The following is a partial list:

MID-PLAINS COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

President's Academic Tuition Scholarships – Scholarship awards for up to 15 credit hours of tuition per semester to any current high school senior who has completed the MPCC Scholarship application process, has a minimum ACT score of 25 (1130 SAT) and a high school GPA of 93%. Recipient must enroll as a full-time student the fall semester following high school graduation.

Academic Tuition Scholarships – Scholarship awards for tuition of up to 15 credit hours per semester are available to full-time or part-time eligible students, freshmen or sophomores. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Athletic Scholarships – Scholarships available for participants in varsity athletics for tuition and general purpose fees of up to 15 credit hours per semester. Contact the NPCC or MCC coaches.

Board of Governors Tuition Scholarships - These scholarships are awarded to eligible high school graduates in the MPCC service area and may be used for tuition at any MPCC campus. Awards are made by Mid-Plains Community College based on recommendations of area high school officials. Contact a MPCC Financial Aid Office for more information.

Chadron State College - Cooperating Community College Scholarship - This two-year full tuition scholarship to Chadron State College is awarded to a current year graduate from a Mid-Plains Area college with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. The scholarship must be used at CSC the first term following the receipt of the award. Application forms can be obtained from the Financial Aid Office and must be returned by March 15.

Davis/Chambers Scholarship - The Davis/Chambers Scholarship is a valuable and prestigious scholarship awarded to academically-talented, underrepresented, racial minority students who are residents of Nebraska. Recipients must also be U.S. citizens, Nebraska residents, and demonstrate financial need. Amounts awarded for this scholarship vary according to the unmet need of recipients. Contact the Financial Aid Office to request an application.

EducationQwest Foundation Scholarships - These awards ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 per year are awarded to part-time or full-time students who demonstrate a special need and/or are of minority status. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

GED Tuition Scholarships - Scholarships for tuition are available for Nebraska residents who have received their

GED. Selection made by the College GED Department. For more information, contact the Financial Aid Office.

Ernest and Anna Glaze Nursing Scholarship- This need-based scholarship is awarded annually to a full-time MPCC nursing student. Preference shall be given to a LPN or RN student who is returning to college after a break from their formal education. The scholarship funds shall be used first for tuition, fees and books and then other living expenses as necessary. The amount of the scholarship is \$1,500 each year, income permitting. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Institutional High School Contest Tuition Scholarships - Scholarships are awarded to Area High Schools based on contest winners. The high school will select the student who will receive the scholarship which can be used for tuition at either North Platte Community College or McCook Community College.

Kiewit Foundation Scholarships - These one-year scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each are awarded to students enrolled in vocational certificate or degree programs. The funds shall be applied by the College first toward the student's tuition and fees, then books and educational supplies. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1. For additional details contact the Financial Aid Office.

Nebraska Public Power District Scholarships-These scholarships are made possible by an annual golf tournament sponsored by NPPD. They are restricted to full-time students and specific courses of study. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Walter and Alice Rockwell Scholarship-The Alice and Walter Rockwell Scholarship is awarded annually to a non-traditional aged woman who wishes to return to college or update her skills. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Tier One Bank Scholarships -Two \$300 scholarships are awarded annually to students who are Nebraska residents, demonstrate financial need and are entering their sophomore year. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

University of Nebraska at Kearney-Transfer Student Scholarship - This one-year tuition scholarship to the University of Nebraska at Kearney is based on the student's college and community involvement and cumulative GPA. Graduates must have a 3.5 GPA or higher to be eligible applicants. To apply, the student must complete a UNK Application for Admission form.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln - Transfer Student/Regents Scholarship - The University of Nebraska-Lincoln awards Regents Scholarships for UNL resident tuition to MPCC graduates. To apply, the student must complete a UNL Application for Admission form. In addition, the student must provide an honors and/or activities resume to be sent in with the Application for Admission by March 15.

Wayne State College Transfer Scholarships - These one-year tuition scholarships to Wayne State College are awarded to current year graduates from MPCC with a cumulative GPA

of 3.5 or higher. The scholarships must be used the first term following the receipt of the award. Application forms may be obtained from the Financial Aid Office and are due by March 15.

Seacrest Newspaper Legacy Scholarship - Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

NORTHPLATTE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

ArtTech Fair Tuition Scholarships - Senior winners of Best of Show in Technical, 2D and 3D entries of the annual North Platte Community College Art - Tech Fair are awarded a \$500 tuition scholarship.

Baker-Yates Academic Scholarship - Awarded to a student enrolled in an academic degree program. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Colvin Family Memorial Scholarship - This scholarship, given by Mrs. Frances Colvin in loving memory of her husband Ray Colvin, is awarded to a NPCC male or female student with a rural background.

Keenan Family Health Occupations Scholarship - Awarded to a person in one of the MPCC Nursing programs. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Helen Keslar Honorary LPN Nursing Scholarship - This \$250 scholarship, to be awarded annually to a female entering the LPN nursing program at NPCC, is given by the children of Helen Keslar in honor of their mother's life-long accomplishments. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1. The recipient will be selected by the MPCC Scholarship Committee.

McDonald-Belton Faculty Scholarship - The faculty awards a \$600 scholarship to a full-time second semester freshman based on grade point average, financial need and a written application, to be used for their sophomore year at NPCC. Scholarship applications are available at the NPCC Financial Aid Office.

Platte Valley Auto Club Scholarships - Recipients must be NPCC students enrolled in Auto Body and/or Auto Mechanics programs. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Project Car Scholarships - These scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$800 per semester will be awarded annually to NPCC students enrolled full-time in the Auto Body Technology or Automotive Technology programs. Students must have completed one semester of the program with an overall GPA of 3.0. Application forms and instructions on other criteria needed are available in the North Platte Community College Financial Aid Office. Deadlines are one month prior to the start date of each semester.

Science Fair Tuition Scholarships - Senior project winners of the annual Mid-Plains Regional Science Fair are awarded a \$500 tuition scholarship.

Sorenson (North Campus) Scholarship - Awarded to a student enrolled in a vocational-technical program. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Sorenson (South Campus) Scholarship - Awarded to a student enrolled in an academic degree program. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Trew and Shoemaker Scholarship - The Trew and Shoemaker Scholarship is awarded annually to a 16-25 year old male student who resides within the service area. The recipient must have completed at least one semester in his field of study and be enrolled in a vocational program.

Vocational Technical Campus Faculty Scholarship - Awarded to a student enrolled in a vocational-technical program.

William O. Reitan Memorial Scholarship - This scholarship given in memory of William O. Reitan, a long-time North Platte businessman, is awarded annually to a NPCC student pursuing a course of study in automotive mechanics technology. The amount of this award is based on availability of funds. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Yont Family Scholarship - Awarded to a student enrolled in a vocational-technical program. Contact the Financial Aid Office for details.

MCCOOK COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

21st Century Systems Inc. Scholarship - This scholarship is an annual award in the amount of \$500 for a second semester freshman or sophomore McCook Community college student majoring in computer programming or information management. Additional criteria used by the MPCC Scholarship Committee for selection will be college GPA and extracurricular activities—both on and off campus. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Helen A. Allen Non-Traditional Scholarship - This \$500 annual scholarship is sponsored by MCC alum Helen Dutton Allen ('41) and awarded to a part- or full-time non-traditional female student based on need, and is to be applied only to tuition expenses. Complete MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

ARC Scholarship - The Southwest Nebraska Association for Retarded Children awards one renewable scholarship to southwest Nebraska students who have demonstrated high scholastic achievement and professional desire to help teach retarded children. Application forms may be obtained from the Financial Aid Office.

E.P. Baruth Athletic Scholarship - This \$150 scholarship sponsored by Jerry Beckenhauer of Carpenter-Berland Funeral Home in McCook is available to second-year athlete for any MCC Campus expense.

Anna Bearg Scholarship - Annual awards in varying amounts based on funds available are presented to MCC students through the generosity of the late Anna Bearg. Complete a MCC Campus Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

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Elizabeth J. Benjamin Accounting Scholarship-This \$500, one-year scholarship for a second year accounting student, is made available by Elizabeth J. Benjamin, retired MCC accounting instructor and local businesswoman. The recipient will be selected based on academic achievement and financial need.

Benjamin Engineering Scholarship-This \$500, one-year scholarship for a sophomore student majoring in pre-engineering, is made available by Lloyd Benjamin, graduate of MCC and local businessman. The recipient will be selected based on academic achievement and financial need.

Dorothy Chambers Scholarship - This \$500 one year scholarship for a full or part-time student is sponsored through the McCook College Foundation with funds endowed to the Foundation and acknowledges the generosity of Dorothy Chambers. All courses of study are eligible and selection is based on financial need, school and community activity, student motivation and academic achievement. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308-345-5233 to request an application.

Chamber Housing Scholarship - This \$500 housing scholarship is awarded each year to a MCC freshman or sophomore student with an ACT of 28 or higher. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Janette Marie Chambers Delano Memorial Art Scholarship
A \$500 scholarship is awarded to a full-time freshman art major who graduated from Oberlin High School, Oberlin, Kansas. The scholarship may be used for tuition, books, fees or room and board. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Wendell Cheney Scholarship - This \$250 one year scholarship for a full or part-time student is sponsored through the McCook College Foundation and acknowledges the generosity of Wendell Cheney, a member of MCC's first graduation class. All courses of study are eligible and selection is based on financial need, school and community activity, student motivation and academic achievement. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308/345-5233 to request an application.

Virena Welborn Creasman Scholarship - This \$300 scholarship, in memory of Virena Welborn Creasman who was a member of the first McCook Junior College graduating class of 1928, may be awarded annually to a MCC student from Red Willow County majoring in Elementary Education. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Delta Kappa Gamma Education Scholarship - The Chi (Southwest Nebraska) Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, awards a \$300 scholarship each spring semester to a full-time education major from Chase, Hayes, Frontier, Dundy, Hitchcock, Red Willow or Furnas counties in Nebraska. Application forms may be obtained at the Financial Aid Office and are due by December 1.

Catherine Deffer Ryan Scholarship - Catherine Deffer Ryan of Indianola, Nebraska, a 1930 MCC graduate, was a McCook

Junior High English and math teacher. She provided for an academic scholarship to be awarded to a student residing in southwest Nebraska, preferably studying math or English, and not an athlete. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Esther Trantow Dobbie Scholarship - This \$1,000 one-year scholarship for a full or part-time student is sponsored through the McCook College Foundation and acknowledges the generosity of alumnus Esther Trantow Dobbie. All courses of study are eligible and selection is based on financial need, school and community activity, student motivation and academic achievement. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308/345-5233 to request an application.

Austin and Minnie Dutcher Memorial Scholarship - The Dutchers were a pioneer family who homesteaded in Red Willow County. This \$100 scholarship is provided by their daughter, Flora, for a MCC Campus student who graduated from a Red Willow County high school. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Ebert Family Memorial Scholarship - This scholarship, given by Delmar Ebert as a memorial to his parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W.D. Ebert and Dorothy Ebert Powell, is awarded to a MCC Campus student. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Mary Elliott Scholarship - This \$500 one year scholarship for a full or part-time student pursuing a Family and Consumer Science academic program and is sponsored through the McCook College Foundation to acknowledge the generosity of Mary Elliott, a former instructor at MCC. Selection is based on financial need, school and community activity, student motivation, and academic achievement. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308-345-5233 to request an application.

Jack J. Gardner Scholarship - Mr. Gardner, a 1950 graduate of McCook Junior College has established this \$500 annual scholarship to be awarded to a full- or part-time student who is a veteran of the United States Military. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Kenneth Gettman Memorial Nursing Scholarship - This \$500 scholarship may be awarded annually to a MCC student accepted into a nursing/allied health program. The scholarship is awarded and administered by the MPCC Scholarship Committee. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Gore Oil Company Scholarship - Funded by oil producer, Theodore Gore, one or more awards are made each year. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Haag-Burton/ConocoPhillips Petroleum Foundation Scholarship - This \$500 scholarship is made available by Dr. Gary Haag and the ConocoPhillips Petroleum Foundation. It is awarded to a student with good moral character who graduated from Southwest or Cambridge High School in the top 50 percent of his/her class. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Lester and Elizabeth Harsh Scholarships - These \$250 scholarships are provided by Elizabeth Harsh in memory of her husband Lester, both lifelong residents of the Bartley/McCook area. Four scholarships for direct college costs are awarded to high school seniors planning to attend MCC: one from Southwest High School, one from McCook High School and two at large. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Ben F. Hormel Scholarship - This \$1,000 one-year scholarship for a full or part-time student is sponsored through the McCook College Foundation and acknowledges the generosity of McCook businessman Ben F. Hormel. All courses of study are eligible and selection is based on financial need, school and community activity, student motivation and academic achievement. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308-345-5233 to request an application.

Dr. Jo Keeler International Student Scholarship - Long-time administrator at MCC, Dr. Keeler's work is recognized through International Student Scholarships. These scholarships, ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 per year, can be used for any direct costs at MCC. The scholarship may be renewed for a second year. Check with the academic adviser's office at MCC.

Elizabeth D. Krous Scholarship - This \$500 scholarship given in memory of Elizabeth Deffer Krous, a 1935 graduate of McCook Junior College, will be awarded annually to a MCC student. The recipient will be selected by the MPCC Scholarship Committee and the funds may be used for any direct college costs. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

June and Alfred W. Kuper Scholarship - To commemorate the career of Alfred W. Kuper, the first MCC president and agriculture instructor, a scholarship is awarded to a MCC graduate transferring to a four-year institution as a full-time student. The amount of the award varies. Scholarship applications are available in the MCC Financial Aid Office - deadline April 1.

Estella LaRue Scholarship - Estella LaRue was a mathematics instructor for many years at McCook High School. This \$500 memorial scholarship shall be awarded to a McCook Community College graduate transferring to a four year institution as a full-time student in a math related field. Scholarship application available in the Financial Aid Office. Selection will be made by the Scholarship Committee.

Melba B. Loker Scholarship - This \$2,000, one-year scholarship for a full or part-time student is sponsored through the McCook College Foundation and acknowledges the generosity of Melba B. Loker. All courses of study are eligible and selection is based on financial need, school and community activity, student motivation and academic achievement. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308-345-5233 to request an application.

Rose Lute Scholarship - The \$500 Rose Lute Scholarship of the Nebraska Priors Club is awarded to a sophomore woman planning to continue her education in engineering, physics, economics, actuarial science, math, architecture; or pre-law, veterinary medicine, medical, dental or pharmacy.

Applicants must be Nebraska residents. Application forms may be obtained in the MCC Financial Aid Office.

MCC Faculty & Staff Recognition Scholarship - This \$4,000, two-year scholarship for a full-time student was established by the McCook College Foundation to acknowledge the dedicated service and contribution of all faculty and staff serving the college since MCC was established as Nebraska's first, two-year college, in 1926. All courses of study are eligible and selection is based on financial need, school and community activity, student motivation and academic achievement. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308-345-5233 to request an application.

McCook College Foundation Scholarships - These \$4,000, two-year scholarships are provided by the Foundation to full-time students, all courses of study are eligible, and up to 10 scholarships may be awarded each academic year. All courses of study are eligible and selection is based on financial need, school and community activity, student motivation and academic achievement. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308-345-5233 to request an application.

McCook Community Hospital Scholarship - This is a scholarship intended for persons interested in employment at McCook Community Hospital following graduation. The recipient must work at least one year at the hospital or repay the funds. Full-time juniors or seniors in Registered Nurse programs and full-time students in Licensed Practical Nurse programs entering their last semester are eligible. The scholarship amount will be contingent on the needs of the student, covering books and tuition not over \$1,000 for RN students or \$500 for LPN students. Applications may be obtained from the community hospital personnel office or high school counselors.

McCook Elks Lodge #1434 - These need-based scholarships are awarded annually to full-time McCook Community College students from Red Willow county or close proximity. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

McCook Volunteer Fire & Rescue Squad Scholarships - These scholarships are sponsored through the McCook College Foundation with funds endowed by the McCook Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad. One \$500 scholarship is to be awarded for the fall semester to a high school senior planning on attending MCC full-time. The second \$500 scholarship is to be awarded for the spring semester to a non-traditional student or sophomore attending MCC in a degree program. These awards are for direct college costs incurred at McCook Community College. Applicants must be: a resident of Gosper, Furnas, Hitchcock, Frontier, Red Willow, Chase, Hayes or Dundy county; are or who have been a volunteer fire or rescue member; or has or has had a direct family member that was a fire or rescue volunteer. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Gwendolyn McKenzie Scholarship - These \$1000 one year scholarships for full or part-time students enrolled in either art, math or science programs are sponsored through the McCook College Foundation and acknowledges the generosity of Gwendolyn McKenzie, a former instructor and President of MCC. Selection is based on financial need,

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school and community activity, student motivation, and academic achievement. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308-345-5233 to request an application.

McPherron, Skiles, and Loop Accounting Scholarship Douglas W. Skiles, McCook CPA, awards this \$250 scholarship, \$125 per semester, to a full-time MCC sophomore accounting student who graduated from a southwest Nebraska high school. The award may be used for tuition, fees or books. Selection is made by the MCC Scholarship Committee with recommendations from the MCC Accounting Department. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline March 1.

Lilyan Melton Memorial Scholarship - This \$200 scholarship, in loving memory of Lilyan Melton, is awarded annually to a McCook Community College student. The award is selected by the MPCC Scholarship Committee. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Middle Republican Natural Resources District Scholarship A \$200 scholarship is awarded to a freshman or sophomore who resides in the Middle Republican District. Students must be enrolled in agriculture or related science field to be considered for selection and should contact the Middle Republican Natural Resources District, P.O. Box 81, Curtis, NE 69025.

Mildred Newport Memorial Art Scholarship - This memorial scholarship given by the family of Mildred Newport, a lifelong McCook area resident, is awarded to a full-time freshman or sophomore student preferably an art student. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Frank Murray Scholarship - These \$1,000 one-year scholarships for full or part-time students are sponsored through the McCook College Foundation and acknowledge the generosity of Frank Murray. All courses of study are eligible and selection is based on financial need, school and community activity, student motivation and academic achievement. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308-345-5233 to request an application.

Non-Traditional Grants - These grants, funded equally by the Mary Brady Estate and the McCook College Foundation in the amount of \$400 per semester, are awarded to students enrolled in a minimum of 3 MCC credit hours each semester. Applications are available at the MCC Financial Aid Office - deadline is four weeks prior to the beginning of the semester.

Non-Traditional Scholarships - These one-year scholarships, funded equally by the Mary Brady Estate and the McCook College Foundation in the amount of \$800 per semester, are awarded to full-time MCC non-traditional students who have completed 24 credit hours or more at MCC within the last five years. Non-traditional scholarship recipients will also receive an additional \$500 of Walsh-Brady funds each semester to be used for other direct college costs. Recipient selection is based on cumulative GPA. Applications are available at the MCC Financial Aid Office - deadline is four weeks prior to the beginning of the semester.

L. Jack Olson/Marjorie M. Olson Memorial Art Scholarship This scholarship is awarded to a full-time freshman or sophomore art student. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Ramond A. Parker Memorial Scholarship - This scholarship commemorates Ramond Parker's lifetime work in agriculture in the Danbury area and recognizes his desire for learning, achievement and betterment of the community. The scholarship is awarded to a high school graduate from the Beaver Valley area. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

J. A. Person Scholarship - These scholarships are awarded annually to MCC students. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Robert and Lorane Phillips Scholarship - This scholarship is awarded to a full-time MCC student from Nebraska with high academic standing, good citizenship, participant in campus activities and enrolled in engineering or education. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Bruce Pick Memorial Scholarship - This scholarship given in memory of Bruce Pick, a former MCC student, is awarded to a full-time freshman or sophomore student. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

LaDonna Anderson - Poore Memorial Elks Lodge #1434 - This \$500 scholarship is given annually by the McCook Elks Lodge #1434 in memory of LaDonna Anderson-Poore, a long-time McCook Junior High/Senior High Home Economics/Family and Consumer Science instructor and loving wife and mother. The scholarship will be awarded annually to a full-time McCook Community College student majoring in Family and Consumer Science. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Virginia Smith Congressional Scholarship - A scholarship is awarded to a full-time freshman student residing in Nebraska Congressional District 3 for tuition, books, fees or room and board. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Jack and Norma Stevens Scholarship - This \$1,000 one-year scholarship is for a full-time sophomore MCC student. The scholarship is sponsored through the McCook College Foundation and the recipient will be selected each year by the MPCC Scholarship Committee. First preference will be given to students with financial need and a fine arts/graphic arts major, second preference - education major - not physical education. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Strunk "Newsboy" Scholarship - These scholarship funds are made available by Grant Strunk in honor of contributions to newspaper journalism in Nebraska by his "Nebraska Newspaper Hall of Fame" father, Allen and grandfather, Harry. Annual awards, based on funds available, will be made to area high school seniors and MCC sophomores. At least one scholarship each year must be awarded to a high school senior from McCook. These funds are to be used for any direct costs at McCook Community College. Complete a MPCC Scholarship application - priority deadline is March 1.

Vocational Student Organization Scholarship - This \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a Nebraska high school senior vocational student club member. The winner is selected by the MCC vocational instructors based on club participation, leadership ability and scholastic achievement. Applications

can be obtained from high school club advisers and are due in the MCC Financial Aid Office by February 1.

Myatt W. and Mary Genevieve Volentine Advanced Studies Scholarships - These two-year scholarships of up to \$4,000 are provided to full-time students enrolled in a bachelor or graduate degree program through the Advanced Studies Center at McCook Community College. These scholarships are sponsored by the McCook College Foundation and acknowledge the generosity and commitment of Myatt W. and Mary Genevieve Volentine in supporting educational opportunities at McCook Community College. All courses of study are eligible and selection is based on financial need, school and community activity, student motivation and academic achievement. Applicants must be available for a personal interview with the Foundation's selection committee. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308-345-5233 to request an application.

von Riesen Good Citizenship Scholarship - One or more awards of varying amounts, based on good citizenship, are awarded to MCC graduates planning to continue full-time at a four-year institution. Secondary consideration is given to financial need. Recipients are selected by the MCC Scholarship Committee and announced at the MCC graduation ceremony.

George, Emilie and Don Wall Memorial Scholarships - These scholarships are awarded to full-time freshman or sophomore students. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Walsh-Brady Scholarships - These awards are presented through the generosity of the late Mrs. Mary C. Brady to southwest Nebraska and northwest Kansas high school graduates. These annual awards range from \$500 up and may be applied to any direct costs at MCC. The recipients, selected by the MPCC Scholarship Committee, must plan to enroll full-time at MCC. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Walsh-Brady Tuition and General Purpose Fees Grant - Currently enrolled high school students ages 16 and above may enroll in up to 6 credit hours each semester of on-campus, on-line or ITV McCook Community College credit courses and receive a Walsh-Brady Grant to pay for 50% of their tuition and general purpose fees. This grant will not pay a student for any courses that he/she is taking for dual credit with the high school and the college. Any other MCC credit course taken on any MPCC campus will be covered.

Henry O. and June C. Weeth Scholarship - These \$1,000 one-year scholarships for full or part-time students are sponsored through the McCook College Foundation and acknowledges the generosity of alumnus Henry O. Weeth and his wife June in supporting educational opportunities at McCook Community College. All courses of study are eligible and multiple awards may be given each academic year. All courses of study are eligible and selection is based on financial need, school and community activity, student motivation and academic achievement. Contact the McCook College Foundation at 308-345-5233 to request an application.

The Welborn Family Memorial Scholarship - This scholarship, awarded to a sophomore student, is provided by the ten Welborn children who attended MCC. The Welborns were a Red Willow County pioneer family. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Wiedman Estate Scholarship - Julia C. Barns Wiedman was McCook's first Superintendent of Schools at the age of 18 serving from 1915 through 1921. Ms. Wiedman's estate bequest provides multiple annual scholarships in varying amounts to MCC students. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

Deane Wolf Memorial Scholarship - This \$500 scholarship is to be awarded annually by the MPCC Scholarship Committee to a McCook Community College student residing within a 50 mile radius of McCook. Complete a MPCC Scholarship Application - priority deadline is March 1.

MCCOOK COMMUNITY COLLEGE LOAN PROGRAMS

Louise Acker, Catherine Magrath, and LaWayne Schroeder Loan Funds - These loan funds were established to provide short-term emergency loans, at no interest, to full-time students. Loans will be made to students in amounts up to \$50. Repayment is expected within the same semester that the loan is taken out. The fund is administered by the Area Director of Financial Aid.

Keeler Non-Traditional Student Loan - This is a student loan fund established to provide short-term loans, at no interest, to non-traditional students. Loans will be made to students based on their individual needs. Repayment is expected within the same semester that the loan is taken out. The fund is administered by the Area Director of Financial Aid.

Helen E. and Armin J. Storms Loan Fund - This loan fund was established to provide short-term loans, at no interest, to full-time MCC students. Loans should be paid back within 30 days and the fund is administered by the Area Director of Financial Aid.

Myatt Volentine Student Loan - This is an interest-free loan to be used for tuition, fees, books and/or education materials and room and board while enrolled in an educational program through McCook Community College. The loan is not to exceed \$2,000 for any one-year educational program, or a maximum of \$4,000 in any two year period, with \$1,000 paid per semester. The applicant must be a full-time student at MCC or enrolled in a bachelor or graduate degree program through the Advanced Studies Center at McCook Community College. The student must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher to receive funds each semester. All loans must be repaid in full, directly to the McCook College Foundation, within four years of the termination of any educational program. Selection is based on academic achievement, school and/or community activity, financial need, short and long-term educational and professional goals, available ACT/SAT scores, and an interview with the McCook College Foundation Selection Committee. The application deadline for MCC students is August 1 for fall semester and December 1 for spring semester. Applications for students attending the Advanced Studies Center are accepted on an ongoing basis. Loan applications are available at the MCC Financial Aid Office.