



# WILLIAMSBURG PROMISE

A Scholarship Program  
offering FREE TUITION to  
those who qualify.

The purpose of the Promise is to remove  
barriers to higher education.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ Williamsburg County **resident, or graduate** of a Williamsburg County High School (public, private, or homeschool)
- ✓ High School **diploma or GED** earned between **2012-2017**
- ✓ **Must NOT have earned a bachelor's degree.**
- ✓ **Admitted** to WTC
- ✓ **Enrolled** in at least **6 hours**
- ✓ All other financial aid applications **complete and awarded** (Promise is "**last pay,**" all other aid must be applied first)
- ✓ Student **may be eligible** for stipend of up to \$1500 in addition to all tuition/fee costs (Promise) based on family income levels (up to 70% of SC State Median Family Income) to be applied to student accounts for payment of other **approved costs charged to the student account** at the college. Stipend will be pro-rated based on enrollment status (half time or three-quarter time enrollment)
- ✓ Student remains eligible if **SAP** is maintained **AND student participates in mentoring program at WTC.**
- ✓ Participating students **must sign** a Williamsburg Promise Participation Agreement at the time of enrollment. At that time, a mentor will be assigned to each student.

## FAQ'S

Can a student on **Probation** participate in the Promise?

- ✓ Yes, the student may use Promise funding if they are on academic probation.

Can a student on **Suspension** participate in the Promise?

- ✗ No, the student must first complete 6 hours successfully to regain eligibility.

Can a **transient** student participate in the Promise?

- ✓ Yes, if the student meets all other eligibility requirements (residency & graduation date)

Can a student who is **self-paying** participate in the Promise?

- ✓ A student who is self paying for any reason other than Suspension may participate if eligible in all other ways

Can a student use the Promise for **developmental hours**?

- ✓ Yes, even if the student has used the maximum developmental hours allowed by Title IV may participate if eligible in all other ways

Can a student who is in a **default** on a student loan or owes an **overpayment** of Title IV funds use the Promise?

- ✓ Yes, the student may be accepted into the Promise program if eligible in all other ways, but will be counseled regarding student loan debt and repayment.

Can a student who owes WTC a **past due balance** participate in the Promise?

- ✓ Yes, the student may be accepted into the Promise program but must set up a payment schedule for repayment of past due balance

How will students **participate in mentoring**? When will mentoring be done? By whom?

- ✓ All Promise students will agree to participate in bi-weekly mentoring. Students will be placed in one of three COL-103 (College Skills) classes where the instructor will be their Promise Mentor. The mentors will meet with students at these class times. Records will be kept to monitor attendance & academic progress. If students have already completed COL-103, they will be required to maintain a record sheet of all meetings with their assigned mentor.