

Pitt County Schools Scholars Program

**Funded through Title II – Part A
Enhancing Teacher Quality**

What is the program?

The Scholars Program is designed to increase the percentage of highly qualified teachers in the Pitt County Schools. The program will reimburse tuition and books for up to 36 teachers employed with Pitt County Schools who are enrolled in a masters or licensure program in the areas of Math, Science, Social Studies, English Language Arts, ESL, Elementary Education, Special Education, Technology, Academically Gifted, or Foreign Language.

What are the maximum amounts that I may be reimbursed?

**** The maximum allowable reimbursement per semester, for both tuition and books, is \$800 with a maximum of three semesters per year. Continued participation requires the teacher to make grades of “A” or “B” in all course-work related to the master’s degree or licensure add-on.**

How do I become eligible?

Just follow these easy steps:

- 1) Complete the application for Pitt County Schools Scholars Program and attach verification of acceptance into a graduate degree program or add-on licensure in Math, Science, Social Studies, English Language Arts, ESL, Elementary Education, Academically Gifted, or Foreign Language.
- 2) Enroll in your first class. Pay your tuition and buy your books. Once you are notified of acceptance into the Scholars Program, you may apply for reimbursement.
- 3) Bring or send your receipts for the tuition and books to the department of K-8 Instruction.
- 4) Receive your reimbursement within three weeks (maximum reimbursement \$800 per semester for 3 semesters per year).

How do I remain eligible?

To continue obtaining reimbursement for your tuition and books, you need only make an “A” or “B” in the previous course:

- 1) Enroll in the next class for your degree or licensure add-on. Pay your tuition and buy your books.
- 2) Bring or send your receipt along with your **prior semester’s grade report** from the university to the department of K-8 Instruction.
- 3) Receive your reimbursement within three weeks (maximum reimbursement \$800 per semester/3 semesters per year).
- 4) If no requests are submitted within a 9-month span, your name will be dropped from the program. You will have to reapply to the Scholars Program.

For more information, contact Tammy Rowland at 830-4220 or Rowlant@pitt.k12.nc.us

Application Pitt County Schools Scholars Program

Submit this application at least a month before beginning your classes to: Tammy Rowland with the department of K-8 Instruction, Pitt County Schools, 1717 W. Fifth St., Greenville, NC 27834. You will be notified whether you are accepted in the Scholars Program prior to the beginning of your classes.

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Last Name First Name Middle/Maiden Name

Address Home Phone

I have applied for and been accepted in the degree program for _____
(Circle one) (Content area)

at _____ to commence on _____ (Attach
(College or university) (Date)

verification of acceptance into a graduate degree or licensure add-on program in the
eligible areas.) My anticipation date to finish my program is _____.

I would like to participate in the Scholars Program because:

I am currently employed as a teacher of _____ at _____
(Subject or grade) (School)

The highest degree I have earned is _____ from _____
(degree) (College or University) Date

Please ask your principal to sign the following statement:

I endorse _____'s participation in the Teacher
Scholars Program.

(Principal's Signature) (Date)

K-5 Director Signature Date