

Charleston Regional Youth Apprenticeship Program Funding and Financial Aid

A Youth Apprenticeship is a great opportunity!

Tuition, books and most materials for your apprenticeship-related courses at Trident Technical College are covered while apprentices are working for a participating employer.

Students who are in high school:

Tuition:

Youth Apprentices who are in high school are considered to be dual-credit students. Dual-credit students receive S.C. Lottery-funded Tuition Assistance (LTA) when enrolled in at least six credit hours per semester, and all Youth Apprentices are enrolled in at least six credit hours per semester per their pathway curriculum. The balance remaining once LTA has been applied is covered by the program.

Books and Materials:

All textbooks and most classroom materials are covered for each qualifying course. Please note that some programs may require additional materials or services that are not covered and will be out-of-pocket expenses.

Students who are high school graduates/traditional college students:

Tuition:

Youth Apprentices who are no longer in high school, either because they entered the program as a recent graduate or graduated high school halfway through the program, are considered to be traditional college students. These students must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and meet with Financial Aid to discuss their individual aid packages.

Scholarships, such as LIFE, and grants are applied to the tuition balance first. Any remaining tuition expenses will be covered by the program.

Failure to file the FAFSA will result in tuition charges to the student equal to the amount that lottery tuition assistance would have paid.

Books and Materials:

All textbooks and most classroom materials are covered for each qualifying course. Please note that some programs may require additional materials or services that are not covered and will be out-of-pocket expenses.

What if I graduate high school halfway through the program?

This is a two-year program and students are expected to make a full commitment. If a student graduates halfway through the program, the student must complete the FAFSA and meet with a financial aid advisor to review the student aid package.

What happens if I am not successful in a course?

All courses must be successfully completed to remain in the program. Any courses that must be repeated will be at the student's own expense.

How do I fill out the FAFSA?

Go to the FAFSA website at fafsa.gov.

Where can I find financial aid information at Trident Technical College?

Go to the Trident Technical College website at www.tridenttech.edu.