

## **Merit Based Programs of Assistance**

### **LFCC Local Board Scholarship Program**

Scholarships are sufficient to cover tuition for up to 12 credit hours for the fall and spring semesters.

### **Principal's Scholarships**

A scholarship named in honor of the high school principal is awarded at each public high school in the College's service region. This scholarship recognizes high academic achievers who will attend LFCC. Each high school selects the recipient and a scholarship application is required by the College. Scholarships are sufficient to cover tuition up to 12 credit hours for the fall and spring semesters.

### **College Board Scholarships**

One scholarship per high school is awarded in honor of the local College Board. This scholarship is competitive based on academic achievement, leadership as demonstrated through extracurricular activities and citizenship. The selection of recipients is made by the Lord Fairfax Community College Scholarship Committee. Scholarships are sufficient to cover tuition up to 12 credit hours for the fall and spring semesters.

### **Tech Prep Consortium Scholarships**

At least one scholarship per service area jurisdiction is awarded to recognize exemplary high school students enrolled in Tech Prep Programs. Scholarships are sufficient to cover tuition up to 12 credit hours for the fall and spring semesters.

### **Cultural Diversity Scholarships**

Four scholarships are awarded that consider race or national origin as a factor in an applicant's favor in order to assist in assembling a student body with a variety of opinions, backgrounds, cultures and experiences. Scholarships are sufficient to cover tuition up to 12 credit hours for the fall and spring semesters.

### **LFCC Educational Foundation Inc. Scholarships**

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of need and/or merit, as determined by the donor. Review the complete list of Foundation scholarships, requirements, application materials and deadline information at <http://www.lfcc.edu/scholarships>.

### **Veterans Educational Benefits**

Veterans who have served in the military or children, wives or widows of veterans may be eligible for educational assistance through the U.S. Department Veterans' Affairs (VA). For information concerning the VA and educational assistance, contact the Financial Aid Office, <http://www.lfcc.edu/veterans> or <http://www.gibill.va.gov>. The Veteran Affairs Office at Lord Fairfax Community College provides information and application for VA educational benefits to veterans, reservists and eligible dependents. The Office also certifies students with confirmed VA eligibility who notifies LFCC of their registration for classes at LFCC.

### **Military Survivors and Dependents Program (MSDEP)**

The Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program (MSDEP) provides education benefits to spouses and children of military service members killed, missing in action, taken prisoner or who became at least 90 percent disabled as a result of military service in an armed conflict. Military service includes service in the United States Armed Forces, United States Armed Forces Reserves, the Virginia National Guard or the Virginia National Guard Reserves. Armed conflict includes military operations against terrorism or as the result of a terrorist act, a peace-keeping mission or any armed conflict after Dec. 6, 1941. This program waives tuition, fees, room and board, and books at any state-supported college or university in Virginia. Benefits are available up to four years.

To be eligible, children and spouses of qualifying military service members must meet the following requirements:

- The child must be between ages 16 and 29; there are no age restrictions for spouses.
- The military service member must have been a Virginia citizen at the time he or she entered active duty or must have been a Virginia citizen for at least five years immediately prior to the date of the application for admission.
- In the case of a deceased military service member, the surviving spouse can meet the residency requirements if he or she lived in Virginia for at least five years prior to marrying the military service member or has been a citizen of Virginia for at least five years immediately prior to the date of application.