

# EDISON STATE COLLEGE

## Project HOPE High School Scholarship Application

### What Is Project HOPE?

The Project HOPE (Help One Person Excel) Scholarship Program awards a limited number of full tuition and book scholarships to graduating high school seniors who meet certain eligibility criteria. The scholarship is renewable and will pay for up to 30 credit hours per year in state tuition only. **All applicants must have personal circumstances that may prevent them from attending college based upon their personal circumstances.** Particular emphasis is placed on students whose parent(s) has/have not completed a four-year Bachelor's degree. Should you have questions concerning your eligibility, please contact the Program Coordinator on the Lee, Collier, Charlotte Campus or Hendry/Glades Center.

*Legal Dependents of Edison State College permanent employees are not eligible to apply.  
A Matriculation Scholarship has been provided for dependents of these employees.*

### Do You Qualify? (check box)

- Yes  No      Are you a graduating senior this academic year?
- Yes  No      Are you a U.S. Citizen or do you meet the requirements of an eligible non-citizen as defined by the federal financial aid programs?
- Yes  No      Does your personal situation place you "at risk" for attending college due to your family's financial situation or other reasons?  
(Please indicate reasons in your personal statement.)

**If you answer YES to the questions above, you are qualified to apply. Answering YES to the areas below will give you additional consideration for the scholarship.**

- Yes  No      Are you a first generation college student?  
(Neither of your parents graduated from a four-year college or university.)
- Yes  No      Are you eligible for free or reduced lunches?
- Yes  No      Were you selected as a participant in the Project HOPE College Readiness Program as an eighth grade student? If YES, how many workshops have you attended? **(Circle One)** 0, 1, 2, 3, or 4

**If you answered YES to this question, please describe in your personal statement how your participation in the College Readiness Program impacted your life.**

### Project HOPE Requirements:

- **Complete** Edison State College Admission Application and submit with HOPE Application Packet. (No application fee is required with submission of Admission Application at this time.)
- **Enroll in the College Success Skills Class for the Summer B Semester and earn a "C" or better.**
- **Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA – [www: fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)) each year by March 1<sup>st</sup>.** Students selected for an interview **MUST** bring their FAFSA Confirmation Page.
- **Maintain** 12 credit hours and 2.00 grade point average each semester.
- **Attend** meetings as scheduled by each Campus Coordinator.
- **Participate** in campus social, educational and/or community service activities.

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### INSTRUCTIONS:

- Complete **Application**. Application may be **legibly written or typed**.
- Please answer the following questions in paragraph style and attach a typed two-page, double-spaced **Personal Statement**.
  1. Why should you be selected for this program?
  2. What are your academic strengths, weaknesses and career goals?
  3. What extenuating circumstances might prevent you from entering college (Why are you at-risk?)
  4. Please list your work experience (# of hours per week), community service activities and leadership activities.
- Attach the **Recommendation Form** when completed by the Principal, Assistant Principal, Dean, Guidance Counselor, or Teacher at your high school.
- Attach an **official copy** of your high school **transcript**.
- Attach completed Edison State College Admission Application.

Submit the completed application and additional materials to:

### Coordinator Project HOPE Program

**Fredrick D. Morgan, II**  
Coordinator Project HOPE  
Edison State College  
8099 College Parkway, S.W.  
Fort Myers, FL 33919  
(239) 489-9338 or e-mail [fmorgan@edison.edu](mailto:fmorgan@edison.edu)

**Partially completed applications and/or materials will not be reviewed.**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2009**

**CANDIDATES SELECTED TO BE INTERVIEWED WILL  
BE NOTIFIED BY U.S. MAIL BY FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2009.**

**SELECTION OF AWARD RECIPIENTS IS BASED UPON AN EVALUATION OF THE  
FOLLOWING:**

Academic Promise	Personal Interview
Activities/Work Experience	Personal Statement
Career Goals	Recommendation Form
Financial Statement	

*Edison State College is an Equal Access, Equal Opportunity Institution. Programs, activities and facilities of the college are available to all on a non-discrimination basis, without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, marital status, and national origin. Questions pertaining to educational equity, equal opportunity or equal access should be addressed to the District Director of Human Resources.*

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**APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, February 6, 2009**  
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(Please Legibly Print or type)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Campus I plan to attend:  Lee  Collier  Charlotte

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

- What is the highest level of education completed by your parent(s)? \_\_\_\_\_
- What is the number of family members living in the household? \_\_\_\_\_
- Please estimate your household's annual income: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a U.S. citizen?  Yes  No

Do you meet the requirements of an eligible non-citizen as defined by Federal Financial Aid Programs?  
 Yes  No

Have any of your brothers or sisters graduated from college?  Yes  No

### **EDUCATIONAL DATA**

High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ High School GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Score (if available): \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Score (if available): \_\_\_\_\_

College Major: \_\_\_\_\_ High School Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_

Activities (School or Community): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Work Experience (Past or Present): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

English is my first language:  Yes  No If not, what is? \_\_\_\_\_

My signature indicates that I understand the Project HOPE Scholarship Program Requirements, I composed the attached essay, and the information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant

How did you hear about the Project HOPE Scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

