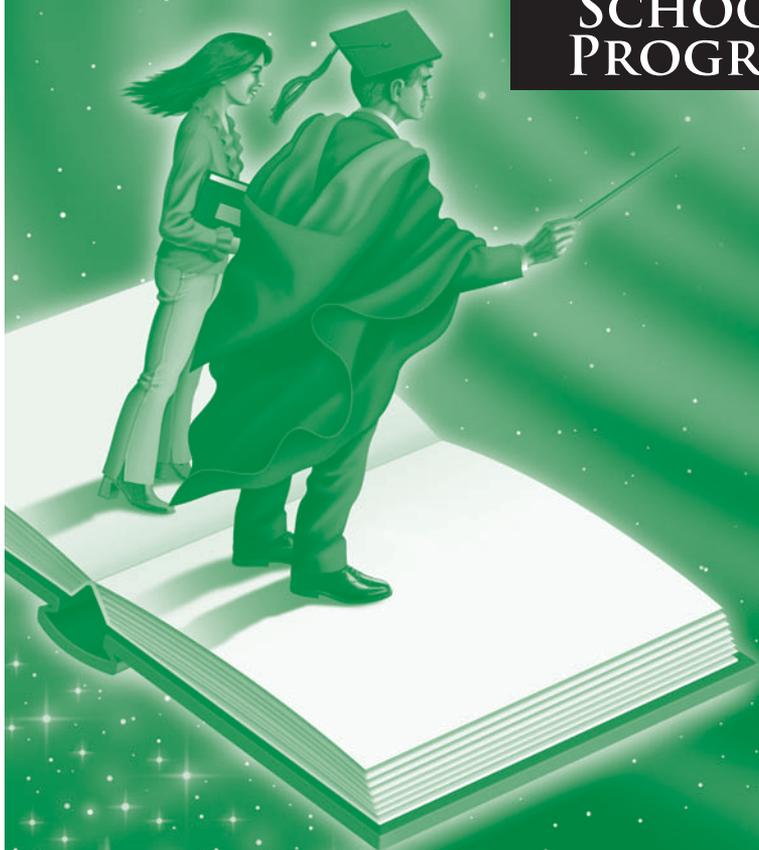


PATTONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

A+

SCHOOLS PROGRAM



STUDENT HANDBOOK

PURPOSE OF THIS MANUAL

The purpose of this manual is to provide students, parents, faculty, and staff with a clear understanding of the guidelines and policies of the A+ Schools Program as established by the Outstanding Schools Act of 1993. There are many aspects of that law that established the A+ Schools Program that require Pattonville High School to establish guidelines and policies. It is the responsibility of the A+ School Coordinator to administer the A+ Schools Program in a fair and consistent manner. All A+ Students must be and will be treated fairly and equitably.

The first step of participation in the A+ Schools Program is the signing of the A+ Schools Agreement by the student and parent/guardian. After the signatures are obtained the student is considered to be an A+ Student at Pattonville High School. It is then the responsibility of the student to continue to meet the requirements to be certified as an A+ Student upon graduation.

Pattonville School District has a responsibility to achieve and maintain the status of Pattonville High School as an A+ School. Upon graduation, the A+ Coordinator must certify to the State of Missouri the students who have achieved this status and are eligible for the financial incentives of the program. It is realized that some students will not be able to meet the requirements set forth in the A+ Schools Program. The A+ Schools Coordinator will notify the student(s) and parents if the student is not eligible for the A+ Schools status.

This manual is designed to present in a clear and consistent manner the guidelines and policies of the A+ School Program. Any questions about this manual or the A+ Schools Program should be directed to the A+ Schools Coordinator, at Pattonville High School, 213-8051, ext. 8018.

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GOALS OF THE A+ SCHOOLS PROGRAM

The A+ Schools Program is a school-improvement initiative established by the Outstanding Schools Act of 1993. The program is raising academic standards, opening new doors to higher education and introducing students to the teaching profession through tutoring and mentoring activities.

The program provides incentives for local high schools to:

- Reduce the dropout rate
- Raise academic expectations and eliminate “general track” courses
- Provide better “career pathways” for all students
- Work more closely with business and higher- education leaders.

The primary goal of A+ Schools is to assure that all student are well prepared to pursue advanced education and employment.

BENEFITS OF AN A+ SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Qualifying graduating students will be eligible for the following:

- Tuition to attend any Missouri public community college or public vocational or technical school.
- Tuition incentives which will be made available after the student has made a good faith effort to first secure all available federal post-secondary student financial assistance funds that do not require repayment.

Students will receive this incentive for TWO years. A student must be considered a FULL-TIME student by the post-secondary institution maintaining a grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale. Students must complete the two years of FULL-TIME enrollment at the institution within 48 months after graduation from Pattonville High School. **Tuition reimbursement is contingent upon availability of state funds.**

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for the financial incentives of the A+ Schools Program, Pattonville High School must certify a student as having met all A+ requirements. As the official representative of the Department of Education of the State of Missouri, the A+ Schools Coordinator has the responsibility to certify that a graduate of Pattonville High School has met the criteria of certification. To be certified as an A+ Schools student, a student must:

- Be a U.S. Citizen
- Sign an **A+ Student Agreement** (copy included in appendix of this booklet)
- Attend an A+ High School for **three consecutive years immediately prior to graduation**. Student must be enrolled in an A+ high school by September 30 of their sophomore year. Students must be enrolled in an A+ school at least 142 days of a school year to be considered an A+ qualifying year. Students may not be enrolled in more than 2 online classes per year and maintain A+ eligibility.
- Graduate from Pattonville High School with a cumulative **grade point average of 2.5** or above on a 4.0 grading scale. (non-weighted)
- Graduate from Pattonville High School with a cumulative **attendance record of 95%** or better.
- All students must pass the Algebra I End of Course exam (EOC), or a higher math EOC, with a score of advanced or proficient. Students may also meet this requirement by achieving a qualifying score on the ACT.
- Perform 50 hours of unpaid **tutoring** of younger students.
- Maintain a record of **good citizenship** and avoidance of unlawful use of alcohol and drugs.
- **STUDENTS MUST ENROLL IN THE A+ PROGRAM BY SEPTEMBER 30TH OF THEIR SENIOR YEAR.**
- Missouri options is not A+ approved at PHS.

A summary sheet advising the student and parent(s) or guardian of the student's progress toward A+ status will be mailed after each semester. (Sample included in the appendix of this booklet)

ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

Enrollment guidelines for A+ Schools program are:

- Must graduate from an A+ high school.
- The student must have attended an A+ designated high school for three consecutive years immediately prior to graduation. Students must be enrolled in an A+ high school by September 30 of their sophomore year.
- **If a student transfers into Pattonville High School from another district after September 30 of sophomore year, the student will not be considered eligible for the A+ Schools benefits unless the previous school was an A+ designated school**

GRADE POINT REQUIREMENT

To meet the eligibility requirement for grade point average, the student must:

- Graduate with a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale (on a non-weighted scale).
- Averaging or rounding up to the next highest grade point is not allowed.
- The cumulative grade point average is based on all four years of high school attendance.

The student's official transcript will serve as evidence of grade point average for admission into a public community college or public vocational or technical school.



GOOD FAITH EFFORT TO SECURE FUNDING

To meet the eligibility requirement for good faith effort to secure funding the parent must:

- Complete and send in the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The FAFSA information must be sent to the community college or public vocational or technical school that the student is planning to attend.
- The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available in the office of the guidance counselor at Pattonville High School or you can apply electronically over the Internet. The Internet address is **www.fafsa.ed.gov**
- Parents are encouraged to apply as early as possible, but not before October 1st of the year of the student's graduation.

Parents will be required to apply again for federal financial assistance after the first year is completed at the community college or public vocational or technical school.



ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT

A+ Students are required to have a 95% attendance rate at the time of graduation. Any student who does not meet the 95% attendance requirement **will not** be eligible for the A+ financial incentive. The following guidelines for attendance are in effect for all students participating in the A+ Schools Program:

- Accumulative attendance record will be kept from the beginning of the freshman year until graduation.
- Accumulative attendance information will be gathered from the official computerized information system used by the district.
- For students who attend Tech School for part of the school day, attendance information will be obtained from the Tech School and sent to the A+ Coordinator who will add this information to the Pattonville records.
- Every semester A+ students and their parents or guardians will be provided information of the student's status with regard to the A+ requirements. This information includes attendance information in the form of number of minutes absent and the cumulative attendance percentage. A+ attendance can be viewed on the PowerSchool portal.
- If the student needs to appeal an absence(s), the appeal must be completed and submitted **NO LATER THAN** the end of the semester in which the absence(s) occurred. Attendance appeals will be held in November, February and May.
- Rounding up of percentages is not allowed.
- College visits, and normal illnesses are not excusable absences for the A+ program.
- No appeals allowed after a student has graduated
- School days missed may not be made up after school or on Saturdays (Including POSITIVE School)
- Students must be enrolled in at least 5 classes (3 in POS) on PHS campus. On-line courses are limited to two per year.



ATTENDANCE WAIVER GUIDELINES

Extenuating circumstances such as serious health problems or accident-related injuries may cause a student to miss long periods of school. In such cases, student/parents may provide the A+ Coordinator with medical documentation which will be considered in reviewing a waiver of absence due to extenuating circumstances. **Doctor's appointments and normal illnesses are not considered extenuating circumstances.**

*It is the student's responsibility to report hospitalization and other extenuating circumstances to the A+ office.

ATTENDANCE REVIEW PROCESS

When all of the information is received, an A+ Attendance Review Committee will meet one time each semester to review all appeals.

The A+ Attendance Review Committee will be composed of the following:

- Assistant Principal
- Teacher
- Counselor
- School Nurse
- A+ Coordinator acting as facilitator and non-voting member

After the A+ Attendance Review Committee reaches a decision, the A+ Schools Coordinator will notify the student and parents by letter.



ALGEBRA I END OF COURSE EXAM REQUIREMENT

Beginning with the class of 2015, all students seeking eligibility in the A+ Schools Program must score advanced or proficient on the Algebra I End of Course Exam or a higher math class EOC exam.

- All students must take and pass, with a score of proficient or advanced, the Algebra I EOC exam or a higher math class EOC exam.
- If a student transfers to PHS after having taken Algebra I, the student's score will be obtained from the transferring school.
- Students with an IEP are required to take the Algebra I EOC and must meet the established performance requirement in order to be eligible for A+ tuition reimbursement.
- Students may retake the Algebra I EOC exam up to 3 times. The test will be available as a "retake" during the administration of the December End of Course Exams. There is no cost to retake the exam. Students must inform the A+ Coordinator by November 1 of their intent to retake the exam.
- A+ status sheets will include the student's score on the EOC.
- A score of 17 on the Math Subsection of the ACT will satisfy this requirement.

For additional information concerning this requirement, visit the Missouri Department of Higher Education website: <http://dhe.mo.gov>

TUTORING REQUIREMENT

A+ Students are required to perform 50 hours of unpaid tutoring. The following guidelines have been established for A+ tutoring:

- Tutoring must be school sponsored.
- Official time sheet must be kept by the student and turned in to the A+ Coordinator who will record the hours.
- Official time sheet must be signed by a school official sponsoring the tutoring. (Sample included in appendix of this booklet.)
- Tutoring may be done during the school year or during summer school.
- All tutoring must be done on Pattonville School District premises under the supervision of a teacher (tutoring may not be done at an individuals home or at a school not within Pattonville School District).
- The A+ Coordinator or the sponsoring school may terminate the tutoring experience.
- The A+ Student is responsible for being present at the agreed upon day and time for the tutoring or mentoring. If absent, it is the responsibility of the A+ Student to notify the adult in charge of the A+ tutoring experience.
- **All students must complete the on-line tutor training session prior to beginning tutoring.**
- **Students must be at least a sophomore to begin tutoring.**
- Student must have a 2.0 G.P.A.
- All tutoring must be approved by the A+ Coordinator.
- No tutoring hours will be accepted after May 5th of a student's graduating year.
- 12.5 hours of job shadowing may count toward the 50 hours of tutoring. Job shadowing must be approved by PHS Career Instructional Specialist and A+ Coordinator.
- Students may be removed from the A+ program if they violate school guidelines during tutoring including falsifying documents or hours.

CITIZENSHIP & AVOIDANCE OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE REQUIREMENTS

A+ Students are required to be good citizens and must avoid the unlawful use of alcohol and drugs. Any student who does not meet the citizenship requirement will not be eligible for the A+ Financial Incentive. The following guidelines for citizenship are in effect for all students participating in the A+ Schools Program:

- Participation in the A+ Schools Program is an honor and unique privilege for Pattonville High School students.
- An A+ Student will not sell, possess or use any controlled substances as defined by law unless prescribed by a licensed physician.
- Citizenship certification will be based upon the following:
 - Discipline record of the student as determined by the student’s assistant principal.
 - Discipline record of the student as determined by the safe schools designee.
 - Compliance with the High School Behavior Guide/Discipline Guidebook.
- **A student who violates the citizenship policy may be placed on A+ Citizenship Probation until graduation. A Letter of Probation will be sent to the student’s home as notification that the student has been placed on A+ Citizenship Probation. Any violation of the A+ Citizenship Guidelines while the student is on probation will automatically terminate the student from the A+ Schools Program. An appeal of the probation may be made within 30 days of notification. Refer to the Citizenship Appeals Process on page 12 of this handbook.**

DISCIPLINE RECORD

A+ Citizenship Policy: PHS

- **Class I Offenses** (Tardiness to class, truancy, skipping, inappropriate classroom behavior, obscene language, violation of parking regulations, inappropriate objects, academic dishonesty, misuse of Internet, inappropriate use of school resources, gambling, unauthorized areas, tobacco possession, activity bus misuse, inappropriate cafeteria behavior, cell phone misuse, public displays of affection, inappropriate clothing, food and drink in classrooms, ID violations)

Out-of-School Suspension

- Accumulation of 5 days or more Out-of-School Suspension during high school career will result in A+ probation.
- Any future infraction resulting in In-School Suspension or Out-of-School Suspension will result in removal from A+ program. Right to appeal if removed

In-School Suspension

- Accumulation of 10 days or more of In-School Suspension during high school career or 6 days in one school year will result in A+ Probation.
- Any future infraction resulting in In-School or Out-of School Suspension will result in removal from A+ program. Right to appeal if removed.

- **Class II Offenses** (Disrespect, insubordination/defiance of authority, gang activity, hazing/bullying, vandalism, stealing, intimidation/threatening behavior, harassment, smoking/tobacco use on school property, disruption of school environment, forgery/fraud, racial harassment, receipt or distribution of merchandise, sexual harassment)

Out-of-School Suspension

- Accumulation of 5 days or more Out-of-School Suspension during high school career will result in A+ probation.
- Any future infraction resulting in In-School Suspension or Out-of-School Suspension will result in removal from A+ program. Right to appeal if removed.

In-School Suspension

- Accumulation of 10 days or more of In-School Suspension during high school career or 6 days in one school year will result in A+ Probation.
- Any future infraction resulting in In-School or Out-of School Suspension will result in removal from A+ program. Right to appeal if removed.

- **Class III Offenses** (Weapons, aggravated or physical abuse or assault of staff members, assault, fighting, sexual misconduct, possession/use of fireworks or explosives, setting off false fire or disaster alarms, threats to bring weapons or harm individuals or property, extortion, computer or internet policy violations.)

- **Accumulation of 10 days or more of Out-Of School Suspension will result in removal from A+ program**
- **Student has right to appeal if removed from program**

- **ANY Alcohol or drug violation or offense** (use, distribution, possession, including paraphernalia) **on or off campus**

- **Automatic removal from A+ program with NO right to appeal.**

Additional information:

- **No appeals allowed for probation. Appeals only allowed for students removed from the program.**
- **Accumulation of 24 hours of detention for any infraction will result in A+ probation. Additional referrals resulting in Out-of-School Suspension, In-School Suspension or 10 hours of detention will result in removal from program. (This will be based on a TOTAL number of hours accumulated as a result of 2 and 4 hour detentions)**
- **Students transferring to PHS will follow the same guidelines. Decisions on citizenship will be based on previous school records and PHS records.**
- **PHS principals and A+ Coordinator will make all final decisions in regard to citizenship policy.**

CITIZENSHIP APPEALS PROCESS

If the student is removed from the A+ Program, the student has the right to appeal. This appeal must be filed with the A+ School Coordinator within 30 days of notification. *If the appeal is not filed within 30 days, the appeal will not be considered.* When all of the information is received, an A+ Citizenship Review Committee will meet within 60 days after the appeal deadline to determine if an appeal will be granted.

The A+ Citizenship Appeal Committee will be composed of the following:

- student's supervising assistant principal
- student's high school counselor
- a teacher
- A+ Coordinator to serve as a facilitator and non-voting member

After the A+ Citizenship committee reaches a decision, the A+ Coordinator will notify the student and parents by letter.

If the student would like to appeal the decision of the Citizenship Review Committee, the citizenship appeals form must be submitted to the building principal within 20 days of the Citizenship Review Committee's decision.

When filing an appeal, the student must use the A+ Citizenship Appeal Form available from the A+ Coordinator. (Sample included in the appendix of this booklet.)

Any action that would result in an unacceptable citizenship evaluation for a student who is on A+ probation will automatically terminate the student from the A+ Schools program.

The school district reserves the right to remove a student from the A+ Program who has been charged, convicted, or pled guilty in a court of general jurisdiction (Missouri Circuit Court or Federal Court) for the commission of a felony violation of state or federal law.

When filing an appeal, the student must use the A+ Citizenship Appeal Form. (sample included in the appendix of the booklet.)

SAMPLE FORMS

On the following pages, you will find the following sample forms which may be picked up in the office of the A+ Schools Coordinator at the High School.

- A+ Schools Agreement Form
- Community Service Timesheet Form
- Community Service Evaluation Form
- Community Service Activity Evaluation Form
- A+ Attendance Appeal Form
- A+ Citizenship Appeal Form
- A+ Schools Student Requirement Status Report



SAMPLE

**Pattonville High School
A+ Schools Agreement**

Name _____

First

Middle

Last

Address _____

Graduation Year: _____ Student # _____ Date of birth _____

Student e-mail _____ Parent e-mail _____

◇ **Log onto PowerSchool to check A+ enrollment status and tutoring hours.**

I wish to participate in Pattonville High School's A+ Schools Program.

Provided state funds are appropriated by the state legislature tuition and general fees after federal post-secondary financial assistance funds have been applied may be paid for eligible graduates. To meet eligibility graduates must fulfill the following requirements:

1. Attend a designated A+ high school for three consecutive years. (10th-12th grade)
2. Be a U.S. citizen
3. Earn an accumulative high school grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale. (non-weighted)
4. Maintain a 95% high school attendance record for the four-year period.
5. Tutor younger students on PSD property for 50 unpaid hours under the supervision of a certified teacher. This may include in-school or out-of-school time, and summer school.
6. Establish a record of good citizenship.
7. Be alcohol/drug free (including possession, use, and distribution).
8. Earn a score of proficient or higher on the Algebra I EOC (or a higher math EOC) or have a qualifying score on the ACT.

To retain this eligibility, I must maintain a 2.5 grade point average while enrolled in and attending a Missouri public community college or public technical/vocational school on a full time basis.

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Date

***Tuition reimbursement is contingent upon availability of state funds. All individuals required to register with the Selective Service must do so to be eligible for state-supported scholarships, and programs for financial assistance for post secondary education. Students must file the FAFSA no earlier than October 1 of senior year in order to be eligible for A+ funding at the post-secondary institution. Funding is not the responsibility of the Pattonville School District.**

*****Students must sign up for the A+ Schools Program no later than September 30 of their senior year.**

Office Use Only

Enrolled _____ Reason for ineligibility _____ Power School _____

SAMPLE

Pattonville High School Community Service Hours

****A separate sheet is required for each different organization where you volunteer****

Student Name _____

Student number _____ Graduation year _____

Date(s) of service _____

**The timecard on the back of this sheet MUST be initialed each day that you help this organization*

TOTAL HOURS _____ *A+ tutoring: _____ YES _____ NO

Non-Profit Agency Name _____

Agency address _____ Agency phone # _____

Description of duties _____

Volunteer Coordinator Name (printed) _____

Volunteer Coordinator Signature _____

- Dear Volunteer Coordinator, please rate the volunteer per the rating system below: _____
5=excellent 4=above average 3=average 2=below average 1=not satisfactory

****All Community Service Guidelines can be found in the Community Service Handbook and on the PHS website. Below is a brief summary of the guidelines. It is the student's responsibility to ensure all guidelines are met in order for their hours to count.**

- Hours must be completed at a NON-PROFIT organization.
- Hours may NOT be completed at an individual's home or a private business.
- Hours must be completed on the property of the non-profit or their approved location.
- Students MUST go through the volunteer coordinator at any nursing home or hospital.
- Solicitation of goods or services (ie: can food donations) is not allowed for hours.
- Volunteering or campaigning on behalf of a political candidate is NOT allowed.
- Hours may not be completed on PHS campus without prior approval or application in an approved program. Hours are NOT accepted for helping a teacher during ac lab or before/after school.
- Students may volunteer at a place of worship as long as it is not during the worship service time.
- Students may NOT do hours during the school day unless enrolled in a class for this purpose. (ie: Students as Mentors, PALs, etc). Students may not miss school to do service.
- It is the student's responsibility to turn in hours to the CSO by the deadlines as outlined below:

--All SUMMER & 1st SEMESTER hours are due before WINTER BREAK

--All 2nd semester hours are due before SUMMER BREAK

****ALL HOURS FOR GRADUATION ARE DUE BY MAY 1ST OF A STUDENT'S SENIOR YEAR****

PHS Community Service Coordinator: Rebecca Krohn: rkrohn@psdr3.org
2497 Creve Coeur Mill Rd. Maryland Heights, MO 63043
Phone: 314-213-8051 Fax: 314-213-8651

SAMPLE

Pattonville High School
A+ Attendance Appeal Form

Student Name: _____ Student SS# _____-____-_____

Parent(s) Name _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____

This request is to appeal school absences for the following: (please check)

____ First Semester ____ Second Semester School Year ____

In the space below, please indicate the dates(s) of the absence(s) and the reason for the request to be reviewed. Please attach any documentation that supports your appeal. Absence appeals must be submitted no later than the end of the semester in which the absence(s) occurred.

Date of Absence	Reason for Absence

For A+ Office Use:	
Date Reviewed: _____	Appeal Accepted _____
Date Appeal Committee Met: _____	Appeal Denied _____
Date Decision Letter Sent: _____	

SAMPLE

Pattonville High School
A+ Citizenship Appeal Form

Student Name: _____ Student SS# _____-_____-_____

Parent(s) Name _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____

This request is to appeal an A+ Citizenship violation or to appeal being placed on A+ Citizenship Probation. In the space below, please indicate the date(s) of the disciplinary action and the reason for the request to be reviewed. Please attach any documentation that supports your appeal.

The A+ Coordinator must receive this request within 30 days of notification of A+ Citizenship violation or probation. If violation occurs during the last two weeks of a school year, this appeal must be made within three days of the notice of Probation or notice of removal from the A+ Program.

Date of incident(s):

Date of Probationary/Removal Letter:

Justification for appeal:

For A+ Office Use:

Date Reviewed: _____

Appeal Accepted _____

Date Appeal Committee Met: _____

Appeal Denied _____

Date Decision Letter Sent: _____

Building Principal Use:

Date Reviewed: _____

Appeal Accepted _____

Date Appeal Committee Met: _____

Appeal Denied _____

Date Decision Letter Sent: _____

APPROVED VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

Arcadia Valley AVTS*
Ironton, MO

Boonslick AVTS
Boonville MO

Brookfield Area Career Center
Brookfield, MO

Cape Girardeau AVTS
Cape Girardeau, MO

Career and Technology Center
at Fort Osage
Independence, MO

Carrollton AVTS
Carrollton, MO

Carthage Technical Center
Carthage, MO

Cass Career Center
Harrisonville, MO

Clinton AVTS
Clinton, MO

Columbia Career Center
Columbia, MO

Crowder AVTS
Neosho, MO

Current River AVTS
Doniphan, MO

Dallas County AVTS
Louisburg, MO

Excelsior Springs Area Career Center
Excelsior Springs, MO

Four Rivers AVTS
Washington, MO

Franklin Technology Center
Joplin, MO

Gibson Technical Center
Reeds Springs MO

Graff Career Center
Springfield, MO

Grand River Technical Center
Chillicothe, MO

Hannibal AVTS
Hannibal, MO

Herndon Career Center
Raytown, MO

Jefferson AVS**
Hillsboro, MO

Kennett AVTS
Kennett, MO

Kirkville Area Technical Center
Kirkville, MO

Lake AVTS
Camdenton, MO

Lamar AVTS
Lamar, MO

Lebanon Technology
and Career Center
Lebanon, MO

Lewis & Clark Career Center
St. Charles, MO

Lex La-Ray ATC***
Lexington, MO

Pike Lincoln Technical Center
Eolia, MO

Linn State Technical College
Linn, MO

Poplar Bluff Technical Career Center
Poplar Bluff, MO

Macon AVTS
Macon, MO

Rolla Technical Institute
Rolla, MO

Mexico AVTS
Mexico, MO

Saline County Career Center
Marshall, MO

Moberly AVTS
Moberly, MO

Sikeston Career & Technology Center
Sikeston, MO

N. S. Hillyard Technical School
St. Joseph, MO

South Central AVTS
West Plains, MO

Nevada Regional Technical Center
Nevada, MO

Southwest Area Career Center at
Monett
Monett, MO

New Madrid Vo-Tech Center
New Madrid

State Fair AVTS
Sedalia, MO

Nichols Career Center
Jefferson City, MO

Tri-County Technical School
Eldon, MO

North Central AVTS
Bethany, MO

UniTec Career Center
Bonne Terre, MO

Northland Career Center
Platte City, MO

Warrensburg AVTS
Warrensburg, MO

Northwest Technical School
Maryville, MO

Waynesville Technical Academy
Waynesville, MO

Ozark Mountain Technical Center
Mountain Grove, MO

Pemiscot County Vocational Techni-
cal School
Hayti, MO

*AVTS – Area Vocational Technical
School

**AVS – Area Vocational School

*** ATC – Area Technical Center

Perryville Area Career &
Technology Center
Perryville, MO

MISSOURI PUBLIC COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Crowder College
601 Laclede Avenue
Neosho, MO 64850
(417) 451-3223

East Central College
Hwy 50 and Prairie Dell Road
Union, MO 63084
(314) 583-5193

Jefferson College
1000 Viking Drive
Hillsboro, MO 63050
(314) 797-3000

Metropolitan Community Colleges
Longview Community College
500 S. W. Longview Road
Lee's Summit, MO 64081
(816) 672-2000

MapleWoods Community College
2601 N. E. Barry Road
Kansas City, MO 64156
(816) 437-305

Penn Valley Community College
3201 S. W. Trafficway
Kansas City, MO 64111
(816) 759-4000

Mineral Area College
P. O. Box 1000
Park Hills, MO 63601
(573) 431-4593

Moberly Area Community College
101 College Avenue
Moberly, MO 65170
(660) 263-4110

North Central Missouri College
1301 Main Street
Trenton, MO 64683
(660) 359-3948

Ozark Technical Community College
1417 North Jefferson
Springfield, MO 65802
(417) 895-7111

St. Charles Co Community College
4601 Mid Rivers Mall Drive
St. Peters, MO 63376
(314) 922-8380

St. Louis Community Colleges
SLCC at Florissant Valley Park
3400 Pershall Road
St. Louis, MO 63135
(314) 513-4245

SLCC at Forest Park
5600 Oakland Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63110
(314) 644-9100

SLCC at Meramec
11333 Big Bend Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63122
(314) 984-7606

State Fair Community College
3201 West 16th Street
Sedalia, MO 65301
(660) 530-5800

Three Rivers Community College
2080 Three Rivers Blvd.
Poplar Bluff, MO 63901
(573) 840-9600

Scholarships Available to A+ Students

Based on 2015 Information (10/2016)

The A+ Schools Program is funded through the State of Missouri for Missouri community colleges and vocational/technical schools. However, some 4-year colleges in Missouri are offering their own A+ scholarships. These scholarships are determined by the colleges themselves and may or may not be offered at any time. CHECK WITH THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE AT 4-YEAR COLLEGES AND ASK IF THEY OFFER ANY INCENTIVES FOR A+ STUDENTS.

A+ benefits at community colleges or state vocational/technical schools are only available for full-time students.

Questions? Call the A+ Office at your high school.

School	Amount	Type of Scholarship	Other Information	Phone Number
Avila	\$500 Annual	A+ Recognition Scholarship	Awarded to full-time, first-year students who successfully complete the A+ Program.	816.501.3600
Columbia College	\$500 Annual	A+ Continuance Scholarship	Transfer students who qualified for A+ upon high school graduation	
	Up to \$2,500 Day Campus only	A+ Grant program	Renewable for up to 3 years with good academic standing	800-231-2391 (ext. 7358)
		A+ Program Grant Transfer	Renewable with good academic standing. The A+ Program Grant is renewable for 3 years for students with 23 or fewer transferable credit hours; 2 years for students with 24 or more transferable credit hours.	
Culver-Stockton	\$1,500	A+ Scholarship	Students who participate in the A+ program. 1 st year students only	
Evangel	\$1,000	Yes, Renewable with 2.0 GPA	First-time freshmen who have completed the Missouri A+ Schools Program	
Fontbonne University	\$1000	Freshman-4 year	Any student attending an A+ high school who completes the Missouri state requirements for the program. A+ Scholarship Application Form due by March 1 of senior year.	314-889-1492

Hannibal LaGrange	\$3,000	Freshman-- renewable with 2.5 GPA	A+ Acknowledgement scholarships are awarded to Missouri students who have completed the A+ program in high school. Available to freshman students that are not eligible for any of the academic or regional high school scholarships.		
Hickey College	\$1000/year	Freshman/Renewable	Renewal criteria: 95% attendance & 3.0 GPA up to \$2,000 maximum award		314-434-2212
Iowa Wesleyan		Freshmen	4 years Housing in addition to merit based scholarships		
Lincoln University	\$1,000/year for 2 years—50 total scholarships	Freshmen	First 2 years only. Must be involved in a campus student organization, complete at least 10 hours of community service a year to assist the university with engaging in Jefferson City community, be a full-time student, and maintain an accumulative and semester GPA of 2.5 or higher		
Lindenwood University	Amount varies	Freshmen	Amount varies based on ACT scores		636-949-4949
Missouri State University	\$500 per year	Complete 27 credit hours per year at Missouri State with a 3.25 cumulative Missouri State grade point average.	Students must apply for admission and submit the Missouri State A+ Recognition Scholarship Application by June 1 for full consideration. A final high school transcript verifying A+ certification is also required to confirm eligibility. This scholarship cannot be combined with other freshman scholarships; however, applying will not prevent you from receiving a higher valued scholarship should you become eligible.		
Missouri Southern State University	\$1000/year	Freshman, Renewable: This scholarship is renewable up to 8 consecutive semesters with enrollment in at least 12 credit hours at MSSU per semester. Students must complete 24 credit hours for the fall and spring semesters with a 2.5 Cumulative GPA at the end of the Spring semester. If no credit is completed for the Fall semester, the student will lose the scholarship for the Spring semester. If Spring is the first student must complete at least 12 credit hours with at least a 2.5 Cumulative GPA.	-Can be combined with other academic institutional scholarships (EXCEPT Honors Scholarships) and performance awards up to direct institutional costs (tuition, fees, books, room/board). Criteria: Available to first-time freshmen only - from an accredited A+ Missouri High School. -Must be admitted to Missouri Southern State University. -Must attend MSSU the first semester immediately following High School Graduation - Verification of A+ certification by High School Transcript - Must enroll in at least 12 credit hours per semester -Must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).		417-625-9399

Missouri Valley College	½ Tuition	Freshman, renewable up to 5 yrs. Not stackable	Awarded to any student who completes the A+ requirements. Must live on campus.	660-831-4000
Missouri Western College	\$1,500	Freshmen	The A Plus scholarship is awarded on a competitive bases to first-time freshmen students who are A Plus certified and have earned a 3.00 high school GPA. This scholarship is renewable for 8 semesters with a 3.25 GPA and successful completion of 24 credit hours during the academic year. This award is valued at up to \$1,500 per year. Residents of Buchanan and Andrew counties in Missouri are eligible to receive an additional \$500 per year. The A Plus Scholarship may be received in addition to federal and state grants and most Missouri Western scholarships.	816-271-4266
Northwest Missouri State	\$1500	Freshman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial Requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ First-time freshman ○ 2.50 GPA AND ○ Index: 100-199 or ACT: 21-36 ○ Attend an A+ eligible Missouri high school and Indicate A+ on admission application ○ Accepted for admission by April 1. ○ Actual award made upon confirmation of completed A+ requirements. • Award: \$1,500 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May receive in addition to other Northwest automatic scholarships. ○ Limited number awarded ○ Only available to students beginning in the fall trimester • Renewal Requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Renewable for one year by completing 24 credit hours at Northwest during the year with a 3.30 Northwest cumulative GPA. 	800-633-1175

Park University	\$3,000	Freshman/Renewable	Attend an A-Plus designated high school (must provide a letter of eligibility from your high school counselor) 3.25 cumulative high school GPA or minimum 21 ACT or 990 SAT (V + M) Renewal criteria: Must maintain 3.0 GPA Available for a maximum of four years Earn 12 credit hours per 16-week semester, fall and spring only	800-745-PARK
Southwest Missouri State University	100% Tuition	Freshman/renewable for 2 nd year of two-year program	Enroll in an eligible program of study on the Cape Girardeau campus. Eligible programs include the Associate of Applied Science Degree in Computer Technology (options in Automated Manufacturing, Microcomputer Systems, and Technical Computer Graphics) or the Associate of Arts Degree in Child Care and Guidance. Covers Incidental & General fees.	573-651-2590
	\$1000 applied toward residence hall fees.	May be combined with ONE of the following scholarships: a \$4,000 President's Scholarship, a \$2,000 University Scholarship or the Midwest Achievement Award	The Achieve a 18+ ACT composite score or 900+ SAT (critical reading + math) and have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale following activities, with the scholarship's required ACT and GPA, earn automatic qualification for the scholarship: Boys' State, Girls' State, HOBY, Missouri Renaissance program, <i>Missouri A+ program completion</i> , Eagle Scout or Girl Scout Gold Award. Submit documentation of participation to: Student Financial Services, Southeast Missouri State University, One University Plaza, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701. Renewable each year up to a maximum of four consecutive academic years while living in Southeast residence halls. To renew, you must maintain a 3.25 cumulative grade point average in courses taken at Southeast and complete a minimum of 24 credit hours per academic year at Southeast. Southeast summer hours taken in the same academic year may be used to meet renewal criteria.	
Stephens College	Included in Merit Scholarship	Freshman	Freshmen students who complete the A+ program and earn at least a 3.0 GPA.	800-876-7207
Truman State University	\$500		Truman-funded award for completion of the Missouri A+ program. Official verification of A+ Certification required on final HS transcript	800-892-7792

University of Missouri Kansas City	\$1,500	Competitive	<p>\$1,500 Completed the A+ Program; Demonstrate Financial Need Apply for Admission by Jan. 15, File FAFSA by Feb. 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A+ Scholarship Application 	
Webster University	\$1,000	Freshmen	<p>Awarded to first-time freshmen who A) graduate from an A+ high school, as certified by the state of Missouri, B) have completed the requirements of the program, and C) are certified by their high school to receive the A+ Scholarship offered by the state of Missouri. The award level is based on the applicant's cumulative grade point average, class rank, and ACT or SAT scores. In addition to the A+ certification, a minimum ACT of 21 or SAT of 980 is required. This is a Webster University award. The A+ award offered by the state of Missouri may only be used at Missouri public community colleges. Value: \$1,000 (unlimited)</p>	
Westminster	\$4,000		<p>Westminster College has partnered with Raise.me so you can easily earn scholarships worth hundreds (and sometimes thousands) of dollars each time you achieve something important in high school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earn for participating in the Missouri A+ Scholarship program For getting an A in a course For each leadership position in an activity For taking an Honors for Dual Enrollment course For taking an AP or IB course For visiting campus <p>Create your free Raise.me account now to see how much you've already earned and how to earn more.</p>	
William Woods University	\$1000	Freshman/ Renewable	<p>Automatically awarded upon receipt of certified transcripts from a Missouri A+ designated high school.</p>	800-995-3159



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