# **Granville P. Meade Scholarship Program 2023 Applicant Information Sheet**

The Granville P. Meade Scholarship provides financial assistance to students who have achieved academically, but who are financially unable to attend college. The Granville P. Meade fund provides scholarship awards to worthy and financially disadvantaged Virginia high school seniors to attend one of Virginia’s public or private colleges or universities.

**Below are some helpful suggestions and information to reference as you complete your application.**

## Collaborators

Applicants: You now have the option to add collaborators to your applications.

* A collaborator can edit or add documents to your application.
* An adult family member, a parent, a school counselor, or a college advisor are all examples of collaborators you may wish to invite.
* This is optional and not a requirement for the application. You are encouraged to select your collaborators carefully as your application may contain sensitive or private information (e.g., financial information).

## Deadlines

* You must submit your application by **March 3, 2023, at 11:59 p.m.**
* Late applications will not be accepted.
* **Double check that your application has been completely submitted before the deadline.**

## Eligibility

* You do not need to be a U.S. citizen to apply.
* You must be a senior in high school that is attending school in Virginia (public, private, and home school all are able to apply).
* You must be planning to attend a postsecondary institution in Virginia (university, community college, or technical school).
* There is no minimum GPA requirement; however, this scholarship is competitive in nature and, typically, recipients are those that have an above average academic record.

## Recommendations

The application requires three letters of recommendation.

* If you are a public school student or private school student, one letter must be completed by your administrator or school counselor.
* Be sure to follow up with your references after sending the request to ensure they received it and are able to complete it before the March 15, 2023, deadline.
* When selecting your references make sure they have access to and the ability to navigate a computer. If they do not, consider asking them to write the letter and having your school counselor upload it in the portal (put the name of the reference but include your school counselor’s email).

## Commonly Asked Questions

* **Is there a minimum GPA to apply?**

No. However, this is a highly competitive scholarship and selected applicants are traditionally academically above average.

* **Do students need to be a U.S. citizen?**

No. Students must attend school in Virginia and be planning to attend a postsecondary institution in the state of Virginia.

* **Do students have to be planning to attend a traditional four-year college?**

No. If awarded, this scholarship can be used for any Virginia postsecondary institution (university, college, or technical institution).

* **Is an ACT/SAT score required to apply?**

No. This is not a requirement but may be included with the transcript.

* **Does the transcript have to be an official transcript?**

No. This is not a requirement.

* **Who can add the transcript to the application?**

This can be done by the student, or they can send a request to appropriate school staff to do it on their behalf.

* **How will we know if we are selected?**

All award winners will be notified by May 13, 2022, of their selection. If your application is not selected, the status will change to “decline” in the portal.

* **Who should be a collaborator for the application?**

Collaborators have access to the entire application and have the ability to edit. Applicants may want to consider allowing school counselors, parents, or college advisor access; however, this is not required.