# **2024 Granville P. Meade Scholarship Program Student Guide**

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. In the past years, each scholarship was in the amount of $2,000 per year for four years, provided the student continues to meet the scholarship requirements.

## **Eligibility:**

* You do not need to be a U.S. citizen to apply.
* You must be a senior in high school who 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.

## **Application Timeline:**

* **March 11, 2024:** Application window opens for all students;
* **April 8, 2024:** Deadline for all students to submit applications to the appropriate party;
* **April 15-29, 2024:** Division/First Round Review Window;
* **May 6-17, 2024:** Regional Review Window;
* **May 20, 2024:** Regional chairs submit selected applications to the Virginia Department of Education;
* **May 22-31, 2024:** Final Review Window; and
* **June 7, 2024:** Finalists Announced.

## **For All Students Applying for the Granville P. Meade Scholarship:**

* **Eligibility and Interest -** If you are a high school senior and believe you meet the scholarship criteria;
	+ **Public School Students -** Contact your school counselor or principal;
	+ **Home-school Students -** Contact Sheri Payne at the Homeschool Educators’ Association of Virginia at (804) 806-5899, or scholarships@heav.org; and
	+ **Private School Students -** Contact Grace Turner Creasey at the Virginia Council for Private Education at (804) 423-6435, or office@vcpe.org.
* **Gather Information -** Collect all necessary documents and forms required for the scholarship application from your respective contact.
* **Complete Application -** Fill out the scholarship application thoroughly and accurately, making sure all sections are completed.
* **Submit Application by April 8, 2024**
	+ **Public School Students -** Submit the completed application to your school counselor or principal.
	+ **Homeschool Students -** Securely email or postmark the completed application to the Home Educator’s Association of Virginia HEAV designated chair, Sheri Payne.
	+ **Private School Students -** Securely email the completed application to the Virginia Council for Private Education (VCPE) designated chair, Grace Turner Creasey.
* **Regional Selection Notification by May 6, 2024 -** Applicants selected for regional review will receive a notification via email. If you do not receive a notification, your application was not selected.
* **Agency Selection Notification by May 22, 2024 -** Applicants selected for agency review will receive a notification via email. If you do not receive a notification, your application was not selected.
* **Finalist Selection Notification by June 7, 2024 -** Applicants selected as scholarship recipients will receive a notification via email. If you do not receive a notification, your application was not selected.

## **General Reminders:**

* Ensure all files are clearly labeled;
* Keep track of all submission deadlines and ensure timely delivery of all required documents; and
* Selection notifications will be sent from Brittany.Everett@doe.virginia.gov.