



## Commonwealth of Virginia Virginia Department of Education Superintendent's Memo #021-22

DATE: January 21, 2022

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Jillian Balow, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: Grant for Tuition Scholarships for Licensed High School Teachers to be

Considered Faculty to Teach Dual Enrollment

The General Assembly appropriated \$250,000 in fiscal year 2022 for tuition scholarships to be specifically allocated for licensed public high school teachers pursuing additional credentialing requirements necessary to be considered faculty who are qualified to teach dual enrollment courses in high schools in their local school division.

School divisions may apply to the Department of Education for a grant for dual enrollment tuition scholarship awards. Individuals who are currently enrolled in relevant content/discipline area courses this semester who are eligible for dual enrollment tuition scholarships are eligible for consideration. Please submit grant requests no later than February 11, 2022.

Awards will be for spring 2022 and summer 2022 coursework. In the application process, the school division is required to include: i) an explanation of why such dual enrollment tuition scholarship is warranted, ii) the dual enrollment course or courses that shall be offered by the scholarship recipient's high school and taught by the recipient upon the recipient's successful completion of required coursework for appropriate credentialing to teach such dual enrollment courses, and iii) the projected student enrollment in the recipient-taught public high school dual enrollment courses.

The Department of Education must make payments on behalf of the scholarship recipients directly to the Virginia institution of higher education where the scholarship recipient is enrolled. The lifetime maximum dual enrollment tuition scholarship award for each approved eligible teacher is \$7,500.

The Department of Education is required to compile and report to the General Assembly the application information for each applying school division and also must report the number of recipients and amount of tuition awarded to each school division, the institution of higher education receiving tuition, the credentialing area pursued by recipients, and dual enrollment courses offered after the recipient's successful completion of the pursued credentialing.

## For more information

For additional details, refer to the Grant Application for School Divisions to Apply for Tuition Scholarships for Licensed High School Teachers to be Considered Faculty to Teach Dual Enrollment Courses. School divisions are recommended to contact Ms. Maggie M. Clemmons, Director, Office of Licensure and School Leadership, at (804) 371-2476 or Maggie.Clemmons@doe.virginia.gov, prior to submission of a grant application.

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A. Attachment: <u>Grant Application for School Divisions to Apply for Tuition Scholarships for Licensed High School Teachers to be Considered Faculty to Teach Dual Enrollment Courses</u> (DOCX)