



Belmont Abbey College Announces Abbey Advantage Scholarship for North Carolina Students

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - Belmont, N.C. (November 14, 2024) - In a continued effort to support the educational aspirations of local high school students, Belmont Abbey College is thrilled to announce the launch of its new Abbey Advantage Scholarship Program. This initiative is designed to provide financial assistance and academic opportunities for high-achieving high school seniors from North Carolina who hope to attend college, furthering their academic, personal, and spiritual growth.

Leveraging the students' state and federal grants first, the college will award an institutional merit award to meet the full cost of tuition of \$21,500 for the 2025-2026 academic year. "We are excited to offer this scholarship as a way to support the talented young people in our community," said Dr. Jesse Dorman, Vice Provost of Enrollment at Belmont Abbey College. "As a private Catholic institution, we believe in fostering academic and spiritual growth that helps prepare our students for meaningful lives post-college. To this end, we are committed to making higher education accessible for those who are dedicated to living out our values of faith, service, and leadership." The Abbey Advantage Scholarship is available to first time, full-time non athletes pursuing a traditional major of study. Students must have completed the FAFSA and the NC Residency Determination Form for the NC Need Based Grant. Students must be receiving the full Pell Grant and NC Need Based Aid amounts. Eligible candidates must have earned at least a 2.8 high school GPA and reside in the following counties- Gaston, Lincoln, Cleveland, and Mecklenburg.

In a time when many collegiate institutions are struggling, Belmont Abbey recognizes the importance of supporting local students in their academic pursuits. Dr. Joseph Wysocki, Provost at Belmont Abbey College, believes that these students have an important place at Belmont Abbey. "We know that God has a specific calling for these students' lives, and we're filled with hope at what they'll learn, accomplish and who they will become. The Abbey has a desire to help them respond to this call, and we are committed to making a college education attainable. This includes financial aid opportunities like the Abbey Advantage program, but also guidance from our nationally recognized faculty and mentorship from the greater Abbey community." For more information on the Abbey Advantage program at Belmont Abbey College, visit our website at www.bac.edu/.

Students who are eligible for the Abbey Advantage Scholarship Program will be notified after completion of the FAFSA. The deadline to apply for the Fall 2025 semester is July 1, 2025.

About Belmont Abbey College: Founded in 1876, Belmont Abbey College is a private, Catholic baccalaureate and liberal arts institution that educates students in the liberal arts and sciences so that in all things, God may be glorified. The college welcomes a diverse body of students and provides them with an education that will enable them to lead lives of integrity, to succeed professionally, to become responsible citizens, and to be a blessing to themselves and to others. The college is conveniently located just 10 miles west of Charlotte, N.C., and is currently home to more than 1500 students. For more information, visit <https://belmontabbeycollege.edu/>.