

**For Immediate Release**

Contact: Sarah Bolton

P: 704-461-7016 E: sarahbolton@bac.edu



**Belmont Abbey**  
COLLEGE

*That in all things God  
may be glorified*

## **Belmont Abbey College Expands Full Tuition Scholarship Statewide**

**Belmont, N.C. (December 10, 2025)** – Belmont Abbey College announces the expansion of its Abbey Advantage Scholarship Program to include all North Carolina students, effective for the 2026-2027 academic year. This initiative aims to make higher education more accessible by covering the full cost of tuition for eligible students statewide.

Initially launched in late 2024, the Abbey Advantage program was limited to eligible students residing in specific counties. The program's expansion reflects Belmont Abbey College's commitment to providing affordable education to a broader demographic within North Carolina.

Leveraging the students' state and federal grants first, the college will award an institutional merit award to cover the student's remaining tuition costs for the 2026-2027 academic year. This approach ensures that eligible students can attend Belmont Abbey College without the burden of tuition expenses.

"By making this scholarship available statewide, we're extending our commitment to provide even more talented students access to high-quality education by alleviating cost concerns," said Jesse Dorman, Vice Provost of Enrollment. "Belmont Abbey College seeks to form graduates grounded in virtue and prepared to make meaningful contributions to their communities. Expanding this program allows us to break down financial barriers and welcome students from across the state who share those aspirations."

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 have lived in North Carolina for more than a year.

The Abbey Advantage Scholarship Program is designed to alleviate financial barriers that often deter students from pursuing private education. "These students enrich our community, and we are honored to help shape their journey," shared Dr. Joseph Wysocki, Interim President and Provost of Belmont Abbey College. "With programs like the Abbey Advantage, the leadership of our distinguished faculty, and the encouragement of our Abbey family, we're dedicated to ensuring they have every opportunity to thrive—academically, professionally, and spiritually." For more information on the Abbey Advantage program at Belmont Abbey College, visit our website at <https://belmontabbeycollege.edu/financial-aid/abbey-advantage-scholarship/>.

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 2026 semester is July 1, 2026.

**About Belmont Abbey College:** Founded in 1876, Belmont Abbey College is a private, Catholic baccalaureate and liberal arts institution. Our mission is to educate students in the liberal arts and sciences so that in all things God may be glorified. Guided by the Catholic intellectual tradition and the Benedictine spirit of prayer and learning, we welcome a diverse body of students and provide 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. Our beautiful and historic campus 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/>.