



## Tennessee/Virginia Scholars Adds Value to a Diploma!!

### What is the Tennessee/Virginia Scholars program?

It is a workforce development, rewards and incentives HONOR for students who graduate high school with the required courses and additional expectations of attendance, discipline, and volunteer service. It is open to all students who qualify.

### What are the benefits?

Tennessee/Virginia Scholars requirements are the minimum requirements one needs to prepare for college. The benefits are scholarships to many Universities, job preferential hiring, recognition at graduation, obtaining the distinction of being a scholar that will be on your permanent record for the rest of your life. Participating Universities on the website.

[www.tennesseescholars.org](http://www.tennesseescholars.org)

### How do you become a Tennessee/Virginia Scholar?

- Apply through your school counselor
- Complete all of the requirements for Tennessee/Virginia Scholars
- Counselor verifies information and sends information to State

## Tennessee Scholars Supports

### Tennessee Promise

Tennessee Scholars is the preparation.  
Tennessee Promise is the funding for tuition

## Tennessee/Virginia Scholars Requirements

- ★ 4 years of English
- ★ 4 Years of Math (Bridge Math does not count as a 4<sup>th</sup> Math for Tennessee/Virginia Scholars) (Capstone Math will count) (SAILS Math will count)
- ★ 3 Laboratory Sciences (Biology and Chemistry are required as 2 of those sciences)
- ★ 3 Years of Social Studies
- ★ 2 Years of Foreign Language
- ★ 1 Year of Fine Arts
- ★ Personal Finance as required by the State of Tennessee or Virginia
- ★ Physical Education as required by the State of Tennessee or Virginia
- ★ 2 Additional classes of your choice
- ★ No class can count more than once.

### Workforce Development Requirements

- ★ No Out of School Suspension
- ★ Maintain 95% attendance for 4 years (No more than 36 total days missed in 4 years)
- ★ Maintain a C or above average in all classes. If your final class completion grade is a D or F you must retake that class and make at least a C to count that grade for the class.
- ★ Complete 80 hours or more **volunteer service hours to help your community**. These hours must be completed before school or after school and cannot be counted as a grade or for pay. Mission trips can be counted as 8 hours per day you work. Please make sure you keep a log of your hours.

All documents available: [www.tennesseescholars.org](http://www.tennesseescholars.org)

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## Application for Tennessee/Virginia Scholars

The benefits of graduating as a Tennessee/Virginia Scholar are scholarships, job preferential hiring, a better preparation for success in college, and/or the workforce, rewards and recognition from business, gives you a global competitive edge, and the chance to a better career. If you are interested in the rewards and benefits of graduating as a Tennessee/Virginia Scholar, please complete this application return it as soon as possible to your school counselor. All rewards, scholarships, and benefits associated with being a Tennessee/Virginia Scholar are non-competitive.

**First Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Middle** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_  
**County** \_\_\_\_\_ **School** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

Requirements	
	<b>Tennessee Virginia Scholars 2018 graduates and beyond</b>
<b>English</b>	4 credits in standard or above
<b>Math</b>	4 credits (Alg.I,II, Geometry, & 1 higher math required) Capstone Math will count toward these requirements as well Bridge math (TN) does not count for TN/VA Scholars. SAILS Math (TN) will count toward the 4 <sup>th</sup> Math <b>Caution: Bridge nor SAILS will not be acceptable for NCAA course requirements.</b>
<b>Science</b>	3 credits in lab science Biology and Chemistry required plus 1 other lab science (Physics Preferred)
<b>Social Studies</b>	3credits Must meet state requirements
<b>Personal Finance</b>	.5 credit
<b>Additional Classes</b>	Choose 2 additional classes of your choosing
<b>Foreign language</b>	2 credits in same language (CANNOT OPT OUT)
<b>Fine Arts</b>	1 credit (CANNOT OPT OUT)
<b>Physical Education and health</b>	Must satisfy the requirements (1.5 credits)
<b>Attendance</b>	95% Required (9 days per year or no more than 36 total days in 4 years)
<b>Discipline</b>	No "out of school suspensions"
<b>Volunteer Service</b>	80 hours
<b>Average</b>	Maintain "C" average in all classes

**I understand the criteria to graduate as a Tennessee/Virginia Scholar. I agree to complete these requirements in four years of high school.**

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**Student Signature**

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**Parent/Guardian Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**This document must be signed and returned with the parent agreement to counselor.**



## **Agreement of Support for Tennessee Virginia Scholars**

I \_\_\_\_\_ (parent or guardian) understand that the Tennessee Virginia Scholars requirements will help my child be more successful in college and careers. I approve the Tennessee Virginia Scholars path for my child and will support and encourage my child to excel academically, stay in school, adhere to the school district rules and regulations for discipline, and complete the required volunteer service to my community that is required to graduate as a Tennessee Virginia Scholar. If I allow my child to drop out of this program, I understand they are forfeiting recognition, possible job opportunities, and a distinction of excellence given by the state of Tennessee.

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Parent (Gaurdian) Signature

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Date