



# East MS Community College Tuition Guarantee Program Application

**Deadline date for application is Aug 1 for fall term and Jan 2 for spring term.**

County of Residence:  Clay  Kemper  Lauderdale  Lowndes  Noxubee  Oktibbeha

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN or EMCC ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

The EMCC Tuition Guarantee Program (TG) is coordinated with federal and state financial aid and EMCC scholarships to assure that tuition will be paid for four consecutive semesters beginning with fall and spring of the freshman year and fall and spring of the sophomore year. Scholarships do not cover summer semesters.

Prospective participants in the EMCC Tuition Guarantee Program (TG) must meet all of the following:

- Be a resident of Clay, Kemper, Lauderdale, Lowndes, Noxubee, or Oktibbeha counties. Residency for dependent students is the county of residence for the parents.
- Graduate with a standard high school diploma from a high school in Clay, Kemper, Lauderdale, Lowndes, Noxubee or Oktibbeha counties in May or June prior to starting at EMCC in the fall (August). Homeschooled students who graduate with a standard high school diploma and meet all the other criteria are eligible for this scholarship; however students with a GED or a MS Occupational Diploma are not eligible.
- Apply for admission to EMCC and submit all appropriate transcripts and test scores.
- Apply for the Mississippi Tuition Assistance Grant (MTAG) at [www.riseupms.com](http://www.riseupms.com). **Deadline is September 15.**
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov).
- Apply for EMCC institutional scholarships (For application see website, contact our office or your high school counselor) by scholarship deadline of Aug 1 (for fall term) or Jan 2 (for spring term).
- Enroll in at least 15 credit hours at East MS Community College for the Fall Semester following high school graduation, or after completing military obligation, if entering the military immediately following high school graduation.

TG assistance will be used ONLY after all applicable federal grants, state grants, and EMCC scholarship funds have been awarded. If tuition is covered by these other types of aid, tuition guarantee is not applicable. **Failure to apply for EMCC scholarships or MTAG prior to the applicable deadline will result in a reduction of the tuition guarantee award by the amount the student could have received for these awards.** Work study awards, MPACT, veteran's benefits, and student loans are not considered when calculating the TG scholarship. The TG Scholarship is available to students for four consecutive semesters (summer school is not included in the program), beginning in the Fall Semester of the freshman year following high school graduation. A renewal application is not required.

To remain eligible for the TG scholarship once awarded, two requirements must be met:

- Pass a minimum of 15 hours each semester.
- Earn a 2.50 GPA each semester.

**If hours passed or GPA requirements are not met, eligibility for the scholarship is lost and not reinstated.**