



Qualifying Counties

2026-2027 Colleges and Universities Scholarship

Alamance	Gaston	Perquimans
Alexander	Gates	Person
Alleghany	Graham	Pitt
Anson	Granville	Polk
Ashe	Greene	Randolph
Avery	Halifax	Richmond
Beaufort	Harnett	Robeson
Bertie	Haywood	Rockingham
Bladen	Hertford	Rowan
Burke	Hoke	Rutherford
Caldwell	Hyde	Sampson
Camden	Jackson	Scotland
Caswell	Johnston	Stanly
Catawba	Jones	Stokes
Cherokee	Lee	Surry
Chowan	Lenoir	Swain
Clay	Macon	Transylvania
Cleveland	Madison	Tyrrell
Columbus	Martin	Vance
Craven	McDowell	Warren
Cumberland	Mitchell	Washington
Dare	Montgomery	Watauga
Davidson	Nash	Wayne
Davie	Northampton	Wilkes
Duplin	Onslow	Wilson
Edgecombe	Pamlico	Yadkin
Franklin	Pasquotank	Yancey

This list is effective for new scholarships awarded during the 2026-2027 academic year. Scholarships are limited to students who demonstrate financial need and reside in the qualifying counties listed. A scholarship recipient who resides in a qualifying county upon initial award will retain eligibility and will be eligible for renewal awards if the student's place of residence is within the state of North Carolina and other scholarship eligibility criteria are met. The Golden LEAF Foundation reserves the right to alter the list and policies.