Financial Aid

2025-2026

FALL 2025 /// SPRING 2026 /// SUMMER 2026

NEW STUDENTS

1 Apply for admission to Brightpoint. Be sure to declare a major.

www.apply.vccs.edu

2 Complete the 2025/2026 FAFSA.

www.studentaid.gov

3 Monitor the Financial Aid section of your myBrightpoint account for important messages regarding your financial aid.

www.brightpoint.edu/myBrightpoint

4 Register for classes.

www.brightpoint.edu/schedule

RETURNING STUDENTS

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Brightpoint
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Brightpoint School Code: **004004**

www.brightpoint.edu/financialaid

Applying for Financial Aid

A college education is an important investment in your future, and we want to make the financial aid process as simple as possible. Reading the information below, meeting deadlines, and applying as early as possible can help you qualify for the maximum amount of aid and ensure your funding is in place by tuition payment deadlines.

The FAFSA

The first step to applying for aid is to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at **www.studentaid.gov**.

- 2023 Tax Information is used when completing the student/parent income sections on 2025-2026 FAFSA . Giving consent on the FAFSA allows your 2023 Tax Information/Income to be pulled directly from the IRS for accuracy.
- You must list Brightpoint Community College's school code: **004004**, in order to receive financial aid at Brightpoint.

VGAP

If you are a student who graduated from a Virginia high school with a 2.5 or higher, you may be eligible for VGAP (Virginia Guaranteed Assistance Program). A complete list of the criteria is available at **www.brightpoint.edu/grants** and in the Financial Aid office. If you think you qualify, we strongly recommend that you speak with a Financial Aid Representative about VGAP.

Award Status and Notifications

Brightpoint uses Messaging in the Student Center of myBrightpoint to communicate with students regarding financial aid. If additional information is needed to process your award, the Financial Aid Office will send a message alert to your Student Center, and the items will be listed on your Student Center "To-Do" list. As items are completed, they will be removed from this list. When all required information is received and/or your aid is awarded, the Financial Aid Office will send a message alert to your Student Center with important details regarding your specific financial aid award(s). An email will be sent to your Brightpoint email account as well to notify you of the message alert. You can always view your financial aid award information via your myBrightpoint account.

Once you are logged in to your myBrightpoint:

- Go to "Self Service," and then "Student Center."
- Check under the "Finances" section for the "View Financial Aid" link.

Direct Student Loans

At Brightpoint, Direct Student Loans are not automatically awarded to students who file a FAFSA. To apply for a Direct Student Loan, you must meet basic eligibility criteria and complete the steps listed at **www.brightpoint.edu/loans**.

Dropping Classes Can Change Aid

Most financial aid awards are made before the end of the add/drop period and are based on projected full-time enrollment for that semester. After the add/drop period, your award amount is recalculated based on the number of classes you are actually taking. That means: if you drop classes and are not taking a full-time load, your aid will be reduced after the add/drop period.

If you have questions about how a change in your class schedule will impact your award, contact the Help Hub.

PRIORITY DATES AND GUARANTEE DATES

Semester	Financial Aid Application & Other Requirements Completed by…	Award Notification by…
Fall 2025 Priority Date	May 15 — Applications processed after this date are first come first served.	June 30
Spring 2026 Priority Date	September 15 — Applications processed after this date are first come first served.	October 15
Summer 2026 Priority Date	March 15 — Priority date applies when limited funding is available.	April 1

Questions?

Contact the Help Hub via phone, text, chat or in person:

Phone: 1-804-796-4000

Text: 1-804-476-0401
(Please include the topic you need help with.)

Chat... www.brightpoint.edu/helphub

Visit in person:

Chester Campus: ....Moyar Hall, Room M101

Midlothian Campus: .... Trailblazer Hall, Room T115

Mailing Address

13101 Route 1
Chester, VA 23831-5316

Important Financial Aid Numbers

Federal Student Aid Processor: 1-800-433-3243

Department of Education: 1-800-621-3115

IRS (for a Tax Return Transcript): 1-800-908-9946

Selective Service: 1-847-688-6888

Direct Student Loans: 1-800-877-7658

NSLDS: 1-800-999-8219

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