

# Higher Education Teacher Assistance Program Grant Nomination Form



## What is HETAP?

The HETAP (Higher Education Teacher Assistance Program) was established in July 2000 by the State Council of Higher Education to help address the teacher shortage in Virginia by assisting undergraduates enrolled in a K-12 teacher preparation program with preference given to those enrolled in a teacher shortage area. **Virginia resident students are selected via faculty nomination** and must be enrolled full-time and demonstrate financial need. The typical recipient will be enrolled in a **College Transfer** degree plan. Funding for this program is not guaranteed, so the program may be available in some years and not in others.

## How do I qualify?

Students who wish to be considered for the HETAP program should do the following steps:

1. File a FAFSA for the current aid year and have remaining need,
2. Be nominated by a J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College faculty member using this form.
3. Meet Satisfactory Academic Progress Standards

The Central Financial Aid Office will provide information regarding the student's need based on the results of the FAFSA. Students can be nominated again in subsequent years if they remain eligible and funds are available.

## How much money will students get?

Students can receive up to \$2,000 per year. This is a grant that does not have to be repaid.

## How is it paid?

Students awarded HETAP will have it listed on the award letter as part of the financial aid package. The total amount of financial aid as shown on the award notification will be paid in installments. Generally, one-half of each award may be disbursed each semester.

### FACULTY NOMINATION SECTION

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Name \_\_\_\_\_

**I nominate the student named above for the HETAP grant. This student has demonstrated an interest in teaching K-12 and is planning to transfer to a four year university into a K-12 Teaching program.**

Faculty Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_