2026-2027
SBCC Annual Scholarships

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SBCC Annual Scholarship Application

Annual Application Period: March 1st, 2026 – April 19th, 2026 at 11:59pm

Awarded in the Upcoming Academic Year: 2026-2027

Scholarship Portal: *sbcc.edu/financialaid/scholarships.php*
Log in with Pipeline username and password

SBCC Foundation: *sbccfoundation.org*

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What to Know

- Available in *English* and *Spanish*
  - Personal statements accepted in either language
- **ONE** application to be considered for **ALL** qualifying scholarships
  - Supplemental questions integrated in "smart" application
- Extracurricular activities short statement (150 words max)
  - Participation in campus, community, religious events, etc.
- Three personal statements (150 words max each)
  - Three topics highlighting motivation/determination to succeed
    1. Backgrounds and challenges
    2. Personal, professional, and academic goals
    3. Financial situation
- General and Departmental Award opportunities
  - Volunteer reviewers make general award determinations
  - Department committees make departmental award decisions

Quick Facts

- Academic based and/or financial need-based scholarships are available
  - Financial information from FAFSA/CADAA
  - Or input income information
- Eligibility criteria must be met at the time of disbursement (ex. full-time)
  - DSPS Unit Accommodation equivalency **accepted**
- Varying statuses: continuing, transferring, returning, studying abroad
  - Transfer eligible scholarships noted with "+" symbol
- Undocumented, AB-540, international, and high school graduating students are eligible to apply
- Unofficial SBCC or high school transcript required to be uploaded
- Major is factored into application from selected major in Pipeline

Extracurricular and Personal Statements

Extracurricular Involvement

1. Indicate in which SBCC programs you are currently participating in or have participated in the past. (ex: EOPS, MESA, STEM Transfer Program, Umoja, etc.)
2. Are you participating in any extracurricular activities (campus/club, community, volunteer, religious)? (Yes or No)
3. Please provide details on your current participation in any extracurricular activities (campus/club, community, volunteer, religious). (150 words max)

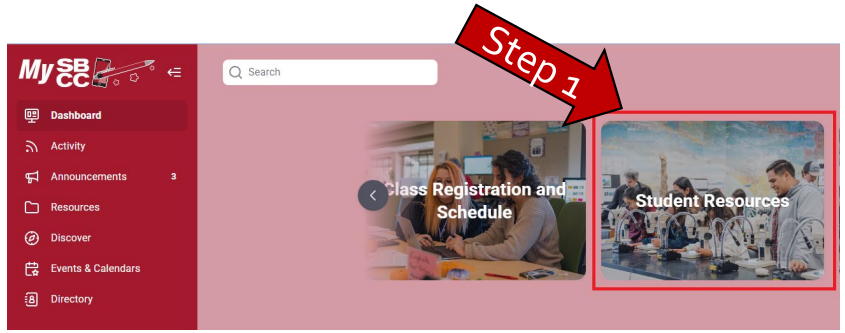
Three Personal Statements (150 words each)

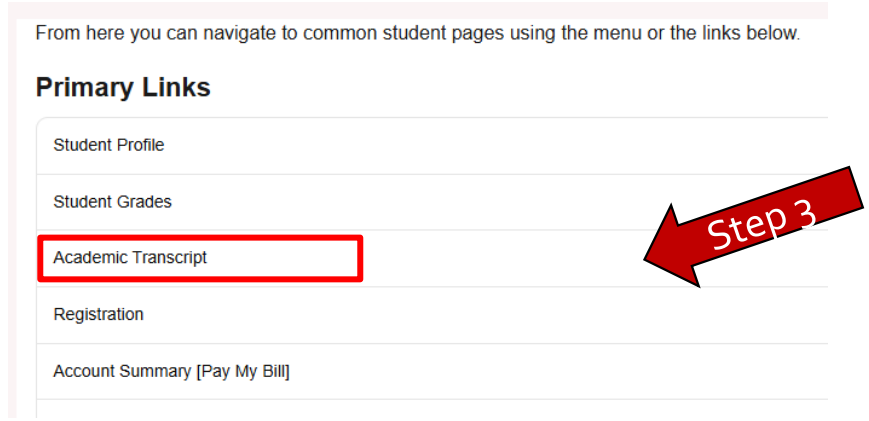
1. Tell us about your background and/or challenges you have faced and overcome.
2. What are your goals: personal, professional, academic?
3. Tell us about your current financial situation for school and how a scholarship could help you.

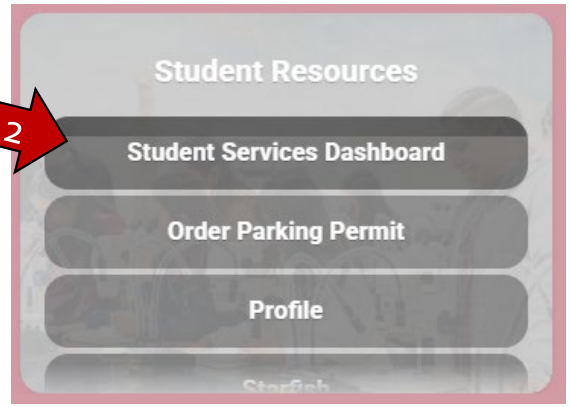
Unofficial Transcript

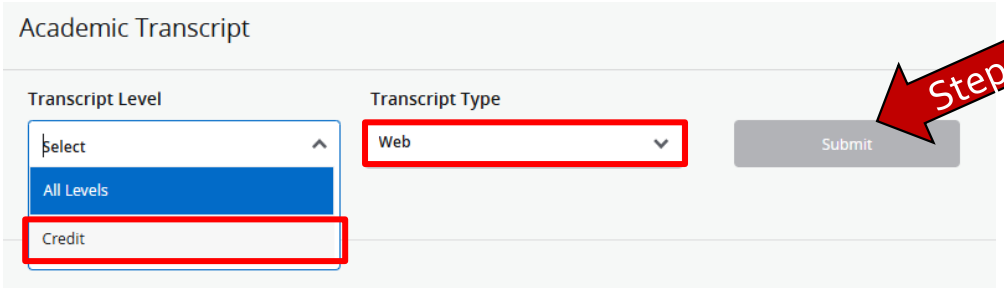
Log into Student Portal at *my.sbcc.edu/dashboard*

- Click on **Student Resources**
- Click on **Student Services Dashboard**
- Click on **Academic Transcript**
- Select **"Credit"** and **"Web"**. Then **"Submit"**
- Click on **Print**
- Save as a **PDF**









Timeline

March 1st, 2026: Application OPENS

April 19th, 2026: Application CLOSES at 11:59pm

Late April- Early May 2026: Application review period

Late May 2026: Notifications on award selections sent to students through scholarship portal (acceptance and thank you notes requested through scholarship portal)

July 1st – Fall 2026/Spring 2027: Transfer students can begin to send transfer school transcripts verifying enrollment

Fall 2026& Spring 2027: Scholarships disbursed to eligible students through the SBCC Financial Aid Office and sent to Financial Aid Offices at transfer universities

Workshop Dates

Zoom Scholarship workshops linked at *sbcc.edu/financialaid*

2026-2027 Scholarship Workshop Dates

~~**Friday, March 13th 9:00 am – 11:00 am**~~

Thursday, March 19th 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Tuesday, March 31st 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

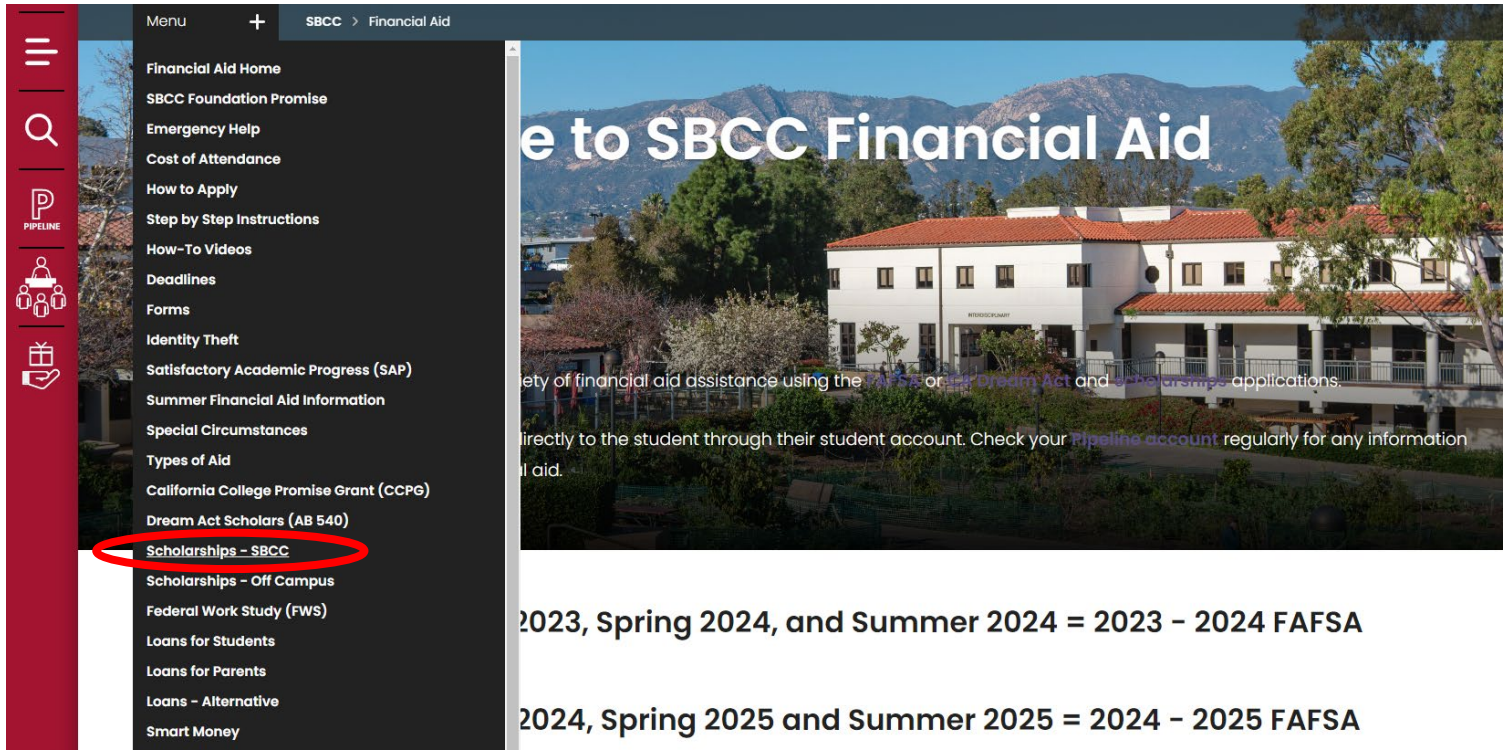
Monday, April 6th 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Wednesday, April 15th 10-00 am – 12:00 pm

(Deadline Sunday, April 19th, 2026, at 11:59:59 pm)

Scholarship Portal

Visit Financial Aid website at *sbcc.edu/financialaid*



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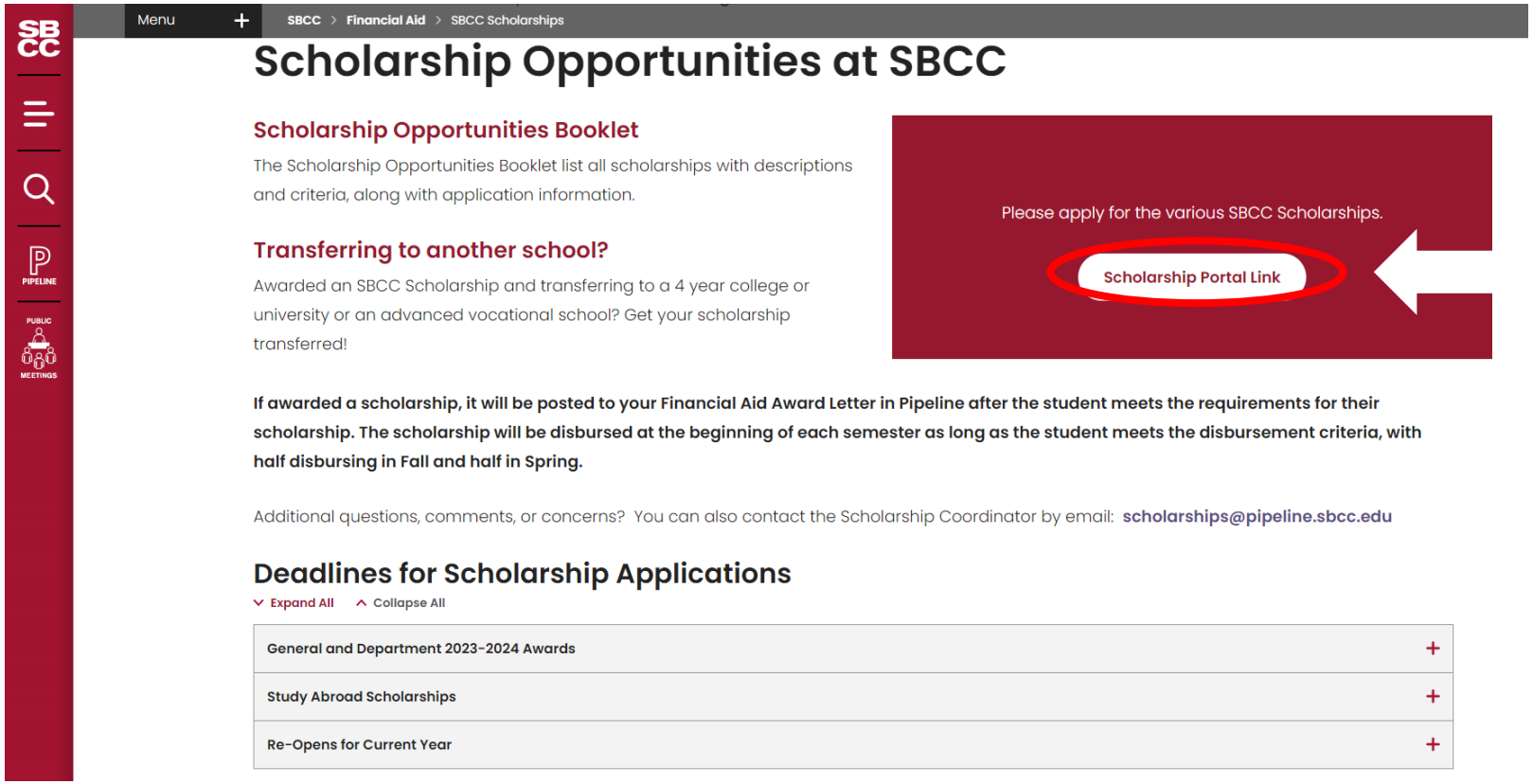
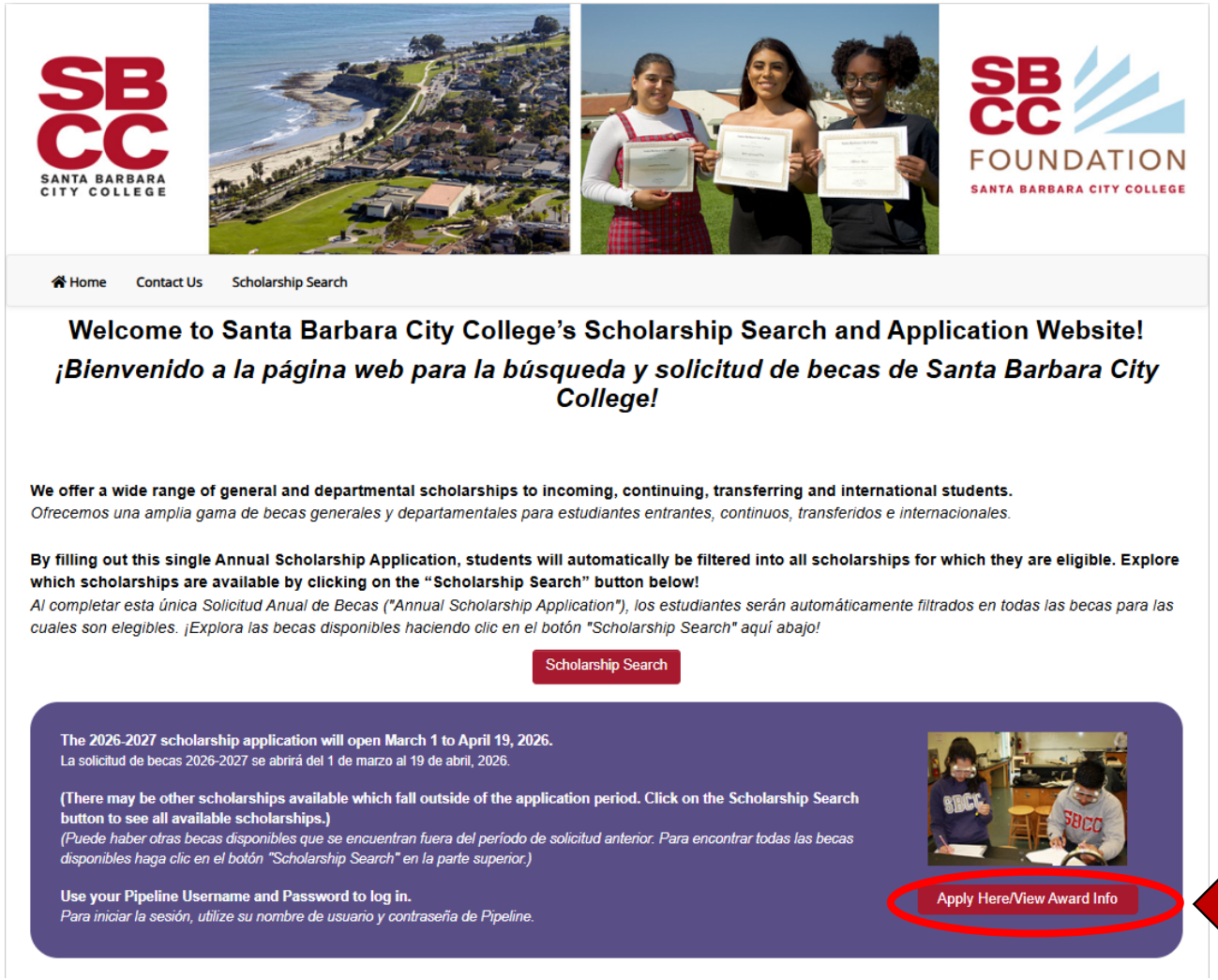


Scan Here:

Scholarship Portal

Log into Scholarship Portal using Pipeline username and password
> Click on Apply Here/View Award Info



Starting Application

Only OPEN applications will be listed

Click on Start Application to begin!

> Auto saves in case you want to finish later

> Smart application only asks questions as they apply (ex: recommendations)

> Review and electronically sign at the end

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Study Abroad Applications by Program

Summer 2026 Application Period: January 26th, 2026 – March 1st , 2026

Fall 2026 Application Period: January 26th, 2026 – April 5th, 2026

Spring 2027 Application Period: January 26th, 2026 – October 5th, 2026

Please note: You must separately apply to Study Abroad Program at sbcc.edu/studyabroad

Letters of Recommendation

Only prompted for any scholarship requesting a letter of recommendation to be considered

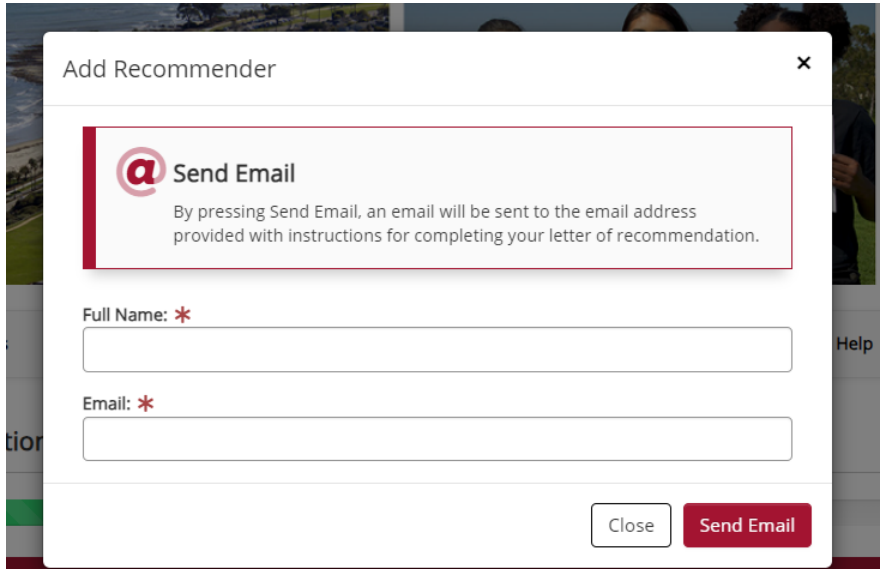
Click on Add Recommender to input full name and email address

> Be sure to ASK your recommender FIRST

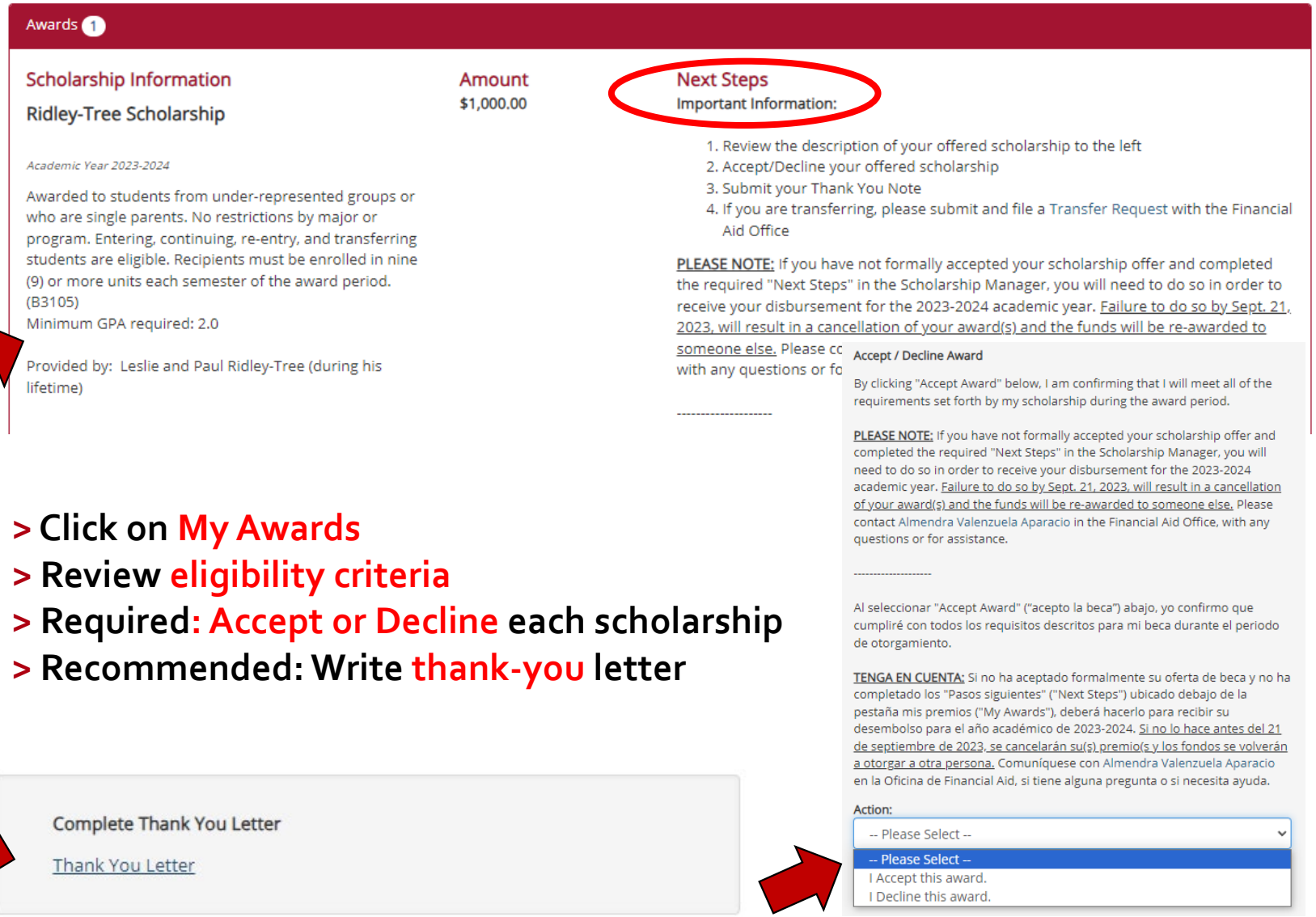
> This section is OPTIONAL

> Email is automatically sent to recommender

> Deadline for recommender to submit is AFTER scholarship deadline



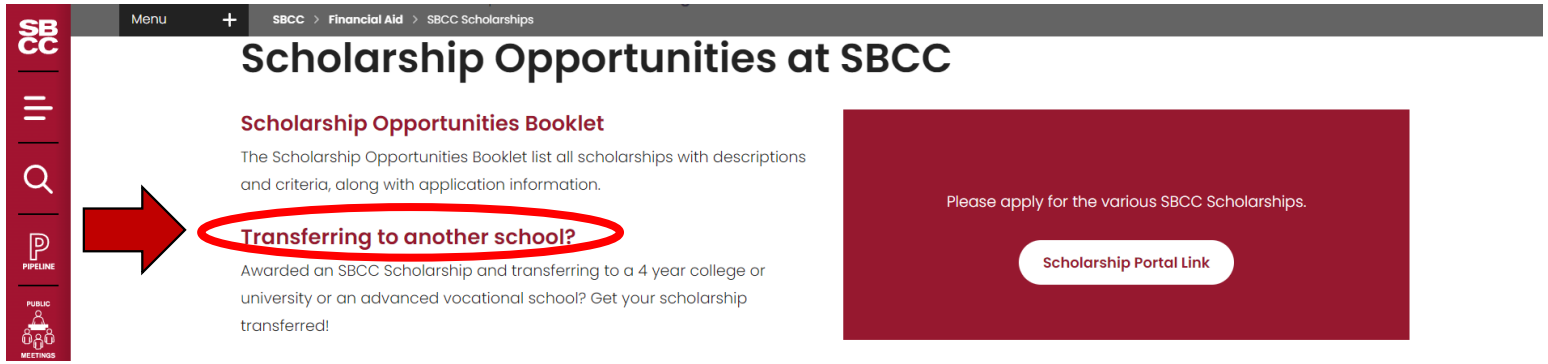
Accepting your Scholarships



> Click on My Awards
> Review eligibility criteria
> Required: Accept or Decline each scholarship
> Recommended: Write thank-you letter

Transfer Students

Information at *sbcc.edu/financialaid/scholarships.php*



Transfer my SBCC scholarship to my 4-year University, State, or Vocational school

If you are transferring to a four-year college or university or an advanced vocational school in the 2023-2024 school year, the scholarship you are awarded ***must*** be transferable as set out in the requirements of each scholarship. Check if your scholarship is transferable by looking at the description in the Scholarship Opportunities Booklet.

- If the scholarship is not transferable, you are *not* eligible to receive it.
- If you are transferring to a different community college, you are *not* eligible to receive it.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

Submit the following documents/information to Almendra Valenzuela Aparicio either by email or by USPS mail. If sent by email, make sure to use your Pipeline email account.

- ✓ Transcript from new school – *Fall 2023 transcript with number of units visible and student's full name (or Spring 2024 schedule of classes if a Spring transfer)*
- ✓ SBCC Student ID Number (K#)
- ✓ Name of Transfer School and Student ID Number at Transfer School

Email:
Almendra Valenzuela Aparicio
Scholarship Coordinator
avalenzuelaapari@sbcc.edu

Mailing Address:
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Santa Barbara City College
Financial Aid Office
721 Cliff Drive
Santa Barbara, CA 93109

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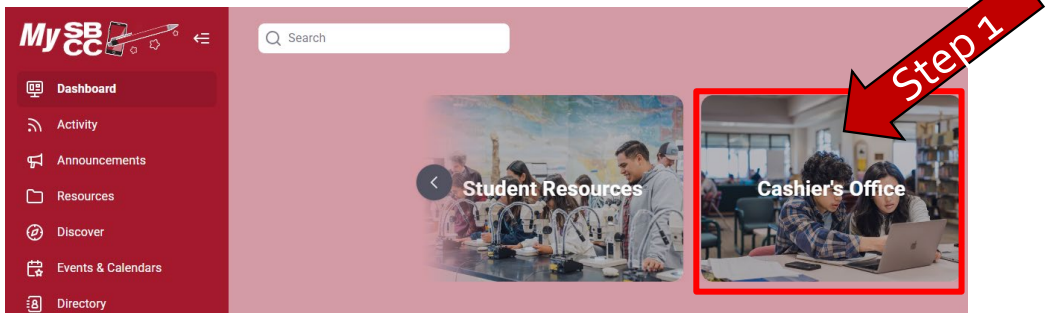
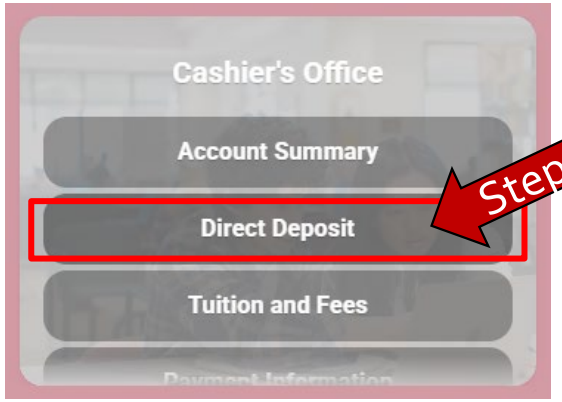
- Unofficial Transcript from new school
- SBCC Student ID Number (K#)
- Name of Transfer School
- New Student ID Number for Transfer School

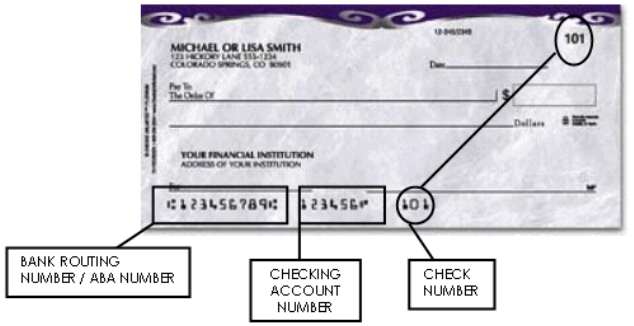
Direct Deposit Sign Up

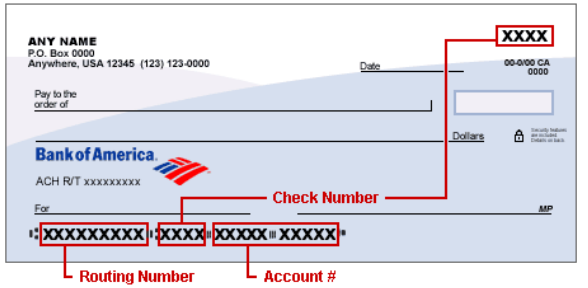
Log into Student Portal at *my.sbcc.edu/dashboard*

- Click on Cashier's Office
- Click on Direct Deposit
- Enter Bank Account Type (checking or savings)
- Enter Bank Routing Number
- Enter Bank Account Number
- Click on Continue









Step 3

Step 4

Step 5

Account Type: Select One:

Routing Number: (Enter routing number without spaces or dashes.)

Account Number: (Enter account number without spaces or dashes.)

Verify Account Number:

CONTINUE RESET

Visit
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for more information!

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