

# HOPE

## SCHOLARSHIP

WEST VIRGINIA

### **2025-2026 Continued Participation Confirmations**

**Due June 15, 2025. Late Submissions Not Accepted.**

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Current Hope Scholarship participants wishing to continue with the program during the 2025-2026 school year **MUST** submit a **Continued Participation Confirmation (CPC)** in the online portal by **JUNE 15, 2025**. In prior years, this process was referred to as a renewal application.

**Late CPCs will not be accepted, so please be sure to submit your CPC for your student by June 15, 2025.** If a student fails to submit their CPC by the deadline, their application would be considered a NEW application and the student would be subject to the statutory eligibility requirements for the program, requiring them to return to public school under the 45-day pathway to become eligible for 2025-2026.

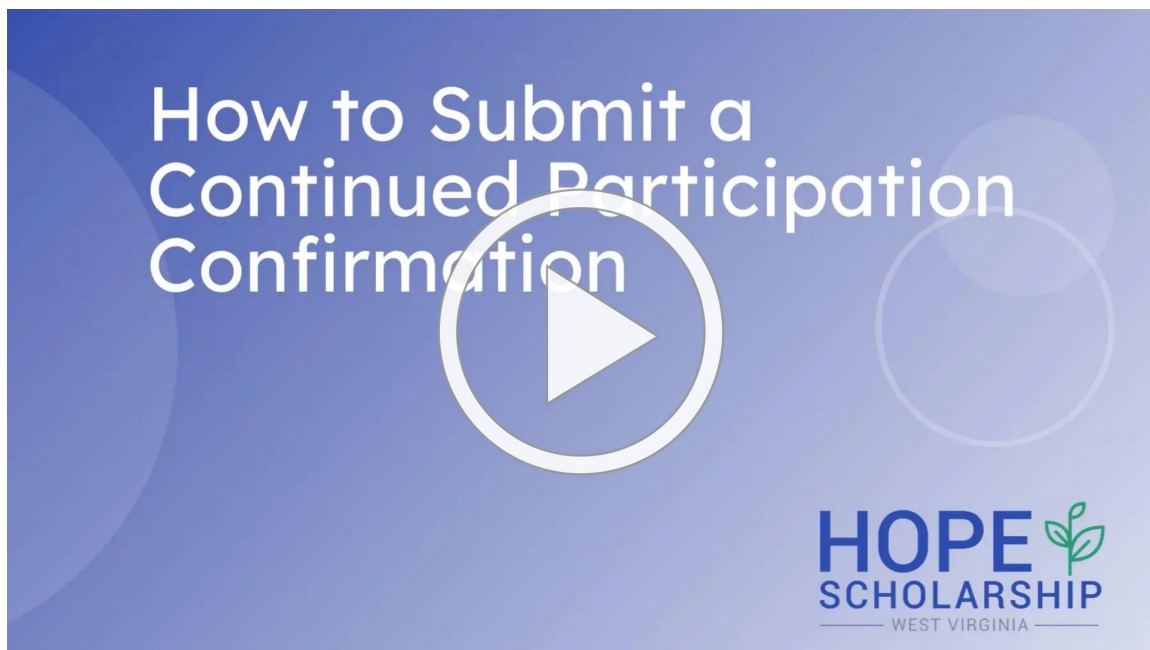
Students continuing participation in the program will have to demonstrate current proof of WV residency. A new, simplified residency process through Plaid will be available for families who wish to utilize it. Use of Plaid involves taking a picture of your state-issued Driver's License or ID card and submitting it through Plaid's verification system to confirm a match to your current physical address. Using Plaid will help expedite the review process and result in a faster decision on the system application.

Families who do not wish to utilize Plaid or those where Plaid is unable to confirm the address will be able to upload proof of residency documentation such as utility bills, vehicle registrations, etc. with their system application for manual review. The full list of acceptable residency documentation can be found in **[The Hope Scholarship Parent Handbook](#)**.

To complete your CPC for your student(s), please complete the following steps:

1. Log into your Hope Scholarship online portal account.
2. Navigate to the My Applications tab.
3. For each student for whom you are submitting a CPC, click the Continued Participation link, which you will find on the right side of the screen under the current year application status.
4. Proceed through the CPC screens, confirming that all the pre-filled information is correct and filling in any additional information requested. You will utilize Plaid or provide your updated proof of residency documentation on one of the screens.

Click on the video below for the step-by-step process to submit a CPC.



**Please do not click on the button labeled New Application in the online platform for an existing Hope Scholarship student, as that will take you to a new application for the 2025-2026 year instead of the CPC for the 2025-2026 year.** Submitting a new application for an existing student will likely result in an initial denial of your application because the application review team will be checking for the full eligibility requirements for the program since the application will be flagged as a new application instead of as a CPC.

**As a reminder, effective for the 2025-2026 year, approved Continued Participation Confirmations will be updated to a status of Conditionally Eligible in the online platform.** In early July 2025, Board staff will review all Conditionally Eligible students to ensure that the required academic progress reporting for the 2024-2025 school year has been recorded by the student's county board of education and will update the status to Approved. **Do not expect to see your child's status to be changed to Approved prior to July 15, 2025, to allow sufficient time for Board staff to update the status of thousands of accounts.**

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If you need further assistance, please contact the Hope Engagement Center by phone at 681-999-HOPE or by email at [help@hopescholarshipwv.com](mailto:help@hopescholarshipwv.com).

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