**SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFICATIONS (by program)**

*General and Specific Program Qualifications*

**General Guidelines and Notes:**

1. Every type of TRIO program is eligible to compete.
2. The TRIO program MUST have at least one current VAEOPP member at the time the application is submitted.
3. Nominations are limited to (2) per granted TRIO program.
4. All parts of the application MUST be received by the specified deadline. If any part is missing from the package, it will automatically be disqualified from consideration.

*Additionally, applicants must adhere to the following guidelines based on specific program participation:*

**EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER**

1. Applicant must have participated for at least two semesters/three quarters upon completion of the current semester.

2. Submit two (2) letters of recommendation/recommendation form:

a. One letter from an academic instructor or community/professional affiliate as appropriate.

b. One letter from a VAEOPP member in the nominating TRIO program.

3. Have a minimum cumulative high school or college GPA of 2.5 or a GED score of 225.

4. Submit a high school, college transcript, or GED verification. *(Unofficial transcripts are accepted)*

5. Must submit verification of acceptance in a post-secondary institution for Fall 2021 if selected as a scholarship recipient.

**EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH**

1. Applicant must have participated in the program for a minimum of one academic year, including the current year.

2. Submit two (2) letters of recommendation/recommendation form:

a. One letter from a high school teacher, principal, or counselor.

b. One letter from a VAEOPP member in the nominating TRIO program.

3. Must have completed at least:

* (3) academic math credits from the following courses: Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry, Trigonometry, and/or Calculus,
* (4) English credits, and
* (2) academic sciences from the following courses: Biology 1, Biology 2, Chemistry 1, Chemistry 2, Physics 1 and/or Physics 2.

4. Have a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.5.

5. Submit a high school transcript. *(Unofficial transcripts are accepted)*

6. Must submit verification of acceptance in a post-secondary institution for Fall 2021 if selected as a scholarship recipient.

**McNair**

1. Applicant must have participated for at least two semesters/three quarters upon completion of the current semester.
2. Submit two (2) letters of recommendation/recommendation form:

a. One letter from an academic instructor or counselor.

b. One letter from a VAEOPP member in the nominating TRIO program.

1. Submit a college transcript. *(Unofficial transcripts are accepted)*
2. Have a minimum cumulative college GPA of 2.5.
3. Have successfully completed a minimum of twelve (12) credits while enrolled in the program.

**SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFICATIONS (by program)**

*General and Specific Program Qualifications*

**UPWARD BOUND/UPWARD BOUND MATH & SCIENCE**

*\*\*Institutions with multiple funded UB grants may submit up to two applications per program\*\**

1. Applicant must have participated in the program a minimum of one academic year, including the current year.

2. Submit two (2) letters of recommendation/recommendation form:

a. One letter from a high-school teacher, principal, or counselor.

b. One letter from a VAEOPP member in the nominating TRIO program.

3. Must have completed at least:

* (3) academic math credits from the following courses: Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry, Trigonometry, and/or Calculus,
* (4) English credits, and
* (2) academic sciences from the following courses: Biology 1, Biology 2, Chemistry 1, Chemistry 2, Physics 1 and/or Physics 2.

4. Have a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.5.

5. Submit a high school transcript. *(Unofficial transcripts are accepted)*

6. Must submit verification of acceptance in a post-secondary institution for Fall 2021 if selected as a scholarship recipient.

**VETERANS UPWARD BOUND**

1. Applicant must have participated in the program at least 2 semesters during the current academic year.

2. Submit two (2) letters of recommendation/recommendation form:

a. One letter each from an academic instructor and professional/community affiliate.

b. One letter from a VAEOPP member in the nominating TRIO program.

3. Have a minimum cumulative high school or college GPA of 2.5 or a GED score of 225.

4. Submit a high school, college transcript, or GED verification as appropriate. \*See below

5. Must submit verification of acceptance in a post-secondary institution for Fall 2021 if selected as a scholarship recipient.

**STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES**

1. Applicant must have participated for at least two semesters/three quarters upon completion of the current semester.

2. Applicant must have participated in the program for the current academic year.

3. Submit two (2) letters of recommendation/recommendation form:

a. One letter from an academic instructor or counselor.

b. One letter from a VAEOPP member in the nominating TRIO program.

4. Submit a college transcript. *(Unofficial transcripts are accepted)*

5. Have a minimum cumulative college GPA of 2.5.

6. Must submit verification of acceptance in a post-secondary institution for Fall 2021 if selected as a scholarship recipient.