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Commission on Higher Education  
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**Palmetto Fellows Scholarship  
Early Award Workshop  
2025-2026**

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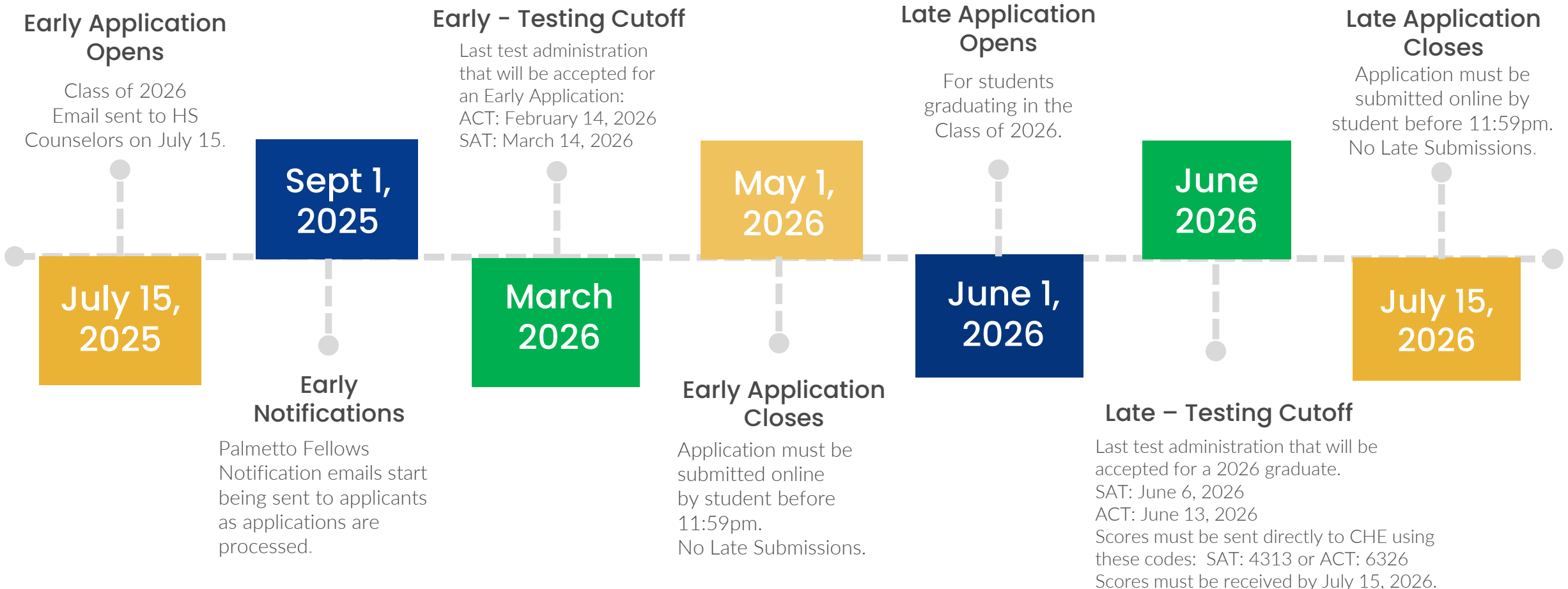
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# 2025–2026 Palmetto Fellows Application Timeline



**UPDATED**

Palmetto Application Timeline for the Class of 2026 graduating class.



# PFS Year-Round Processing

- Class of 2026 Early Application – Opened 7/15/2025 – email was sent on 7/15/2025 from [Scholarships@che.sc.gov](mailto:Scholarships@che.sc.gov).
- Early Application and Late Applications are **two separate apps**, we cannot move an app from Early to Late. Outstanding Early Apps will be finalized as Ineligible. Students would need to submit a Late App.
- Early Application is **ONLY** for students who have **ALREADY MET QUALIFICATIONS**. No PENDING applications during the Early Application period!
- CHE will review applications continuously to determine eligibility for the PFS.

# Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

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For schools that have an official policy on rank that has been reviewed by Commission staff for compliance with the established regulations:

- Rank in the top 6% at the end of the 10<sup>th</sup>, or the 11<sup>th</sup>, or the 12<sup>th</sup> grade academic year; and
- Earn a 1200 SAT/25 ACT; and
- Earn a 3.5 cumulative SC UGP GPA

OR

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Alternative Criteria (without regard to rank)

- Earn a 1400 SAT/31 ACT; and
- Earn a 4.0 cumulative SC UGP GPA

**Superscore!**





# Most Common Issues from 2024-25 Apps

1. No Parental Consent
2. No Counselor Authorization
3. Missing Transcript and/or Test Score
4. No rank report
5. Incorrect Transcript(s)
  - No signature
  - Wrong date calculated
  - Wrong grade in top left-hand corner
  - Work-in-Progress Transcript



# Most Common Issues from 2024-25 Apps

If you are a 2026 High School Graduate, please contact your high school counselor to discuss the process for applying for the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship.

Contact your HS Counselor for Application instructions >

THIS IS NOT THE PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION.

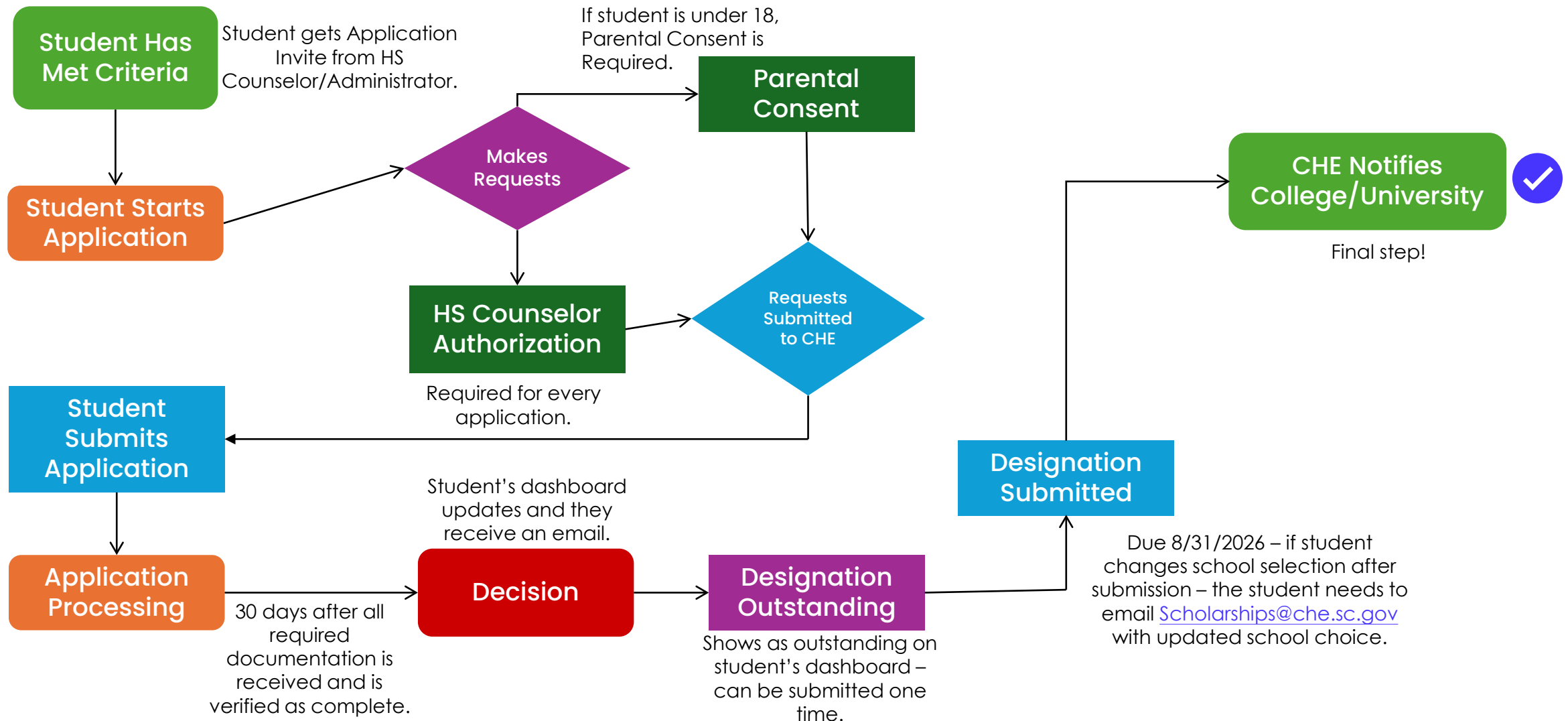
## Palmetto Fellows Scholarship In-State Transfer or Reapplication Request

To be eligible for the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship, students must be determined as recipients during their senior year of high school.

\*Students NOT using the application website or QR code to apply. This is the Transfer/Reapplication Form for CURRENT College students. We had 100+ Class of 2025 students that submitted this during 24-25.

# Class of 2026 Palmetto Fellows Scholarship

## Early Application Process





# Student Starts Application

Once the student has met the Early Award eligibility criteria:

- email the student the Early Application invite or print and hand this to them.

*\*This is on the HS Counselor Resources webpage and was linked in the July 15, 2025, Application email.*

This is a fillable pdf.

CLASS OF 2026

## PALMETTO FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP

EARLY APPLICATION: DEADLINE TO APPLY - MAY 1, 2026 AT 11:59PM

Submit your application online at [apply.che.sc.gov](https://apply.che.sc.gov) or use the QR code below; select the **Early Application - Fall 2026 Cohort**  
Your High School Counselor's Information is:

Name:

Email:



QUESTIONS, CONTACT CHE:  
[SCHOLARSHIPS@CHE.SC.GOV](mailto:scholarships@che.sc.gov)  
OR 803-737-2260.

# What Happens Next?

HS Counselor receives an email.

[External] Fwd: Help Katie Harris Complete the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Application



To Harris, Kathryn

Reply

If there are problems with how this message is displayed, click here to view it in a web browser.



**From:** CHE Scholarships <[scholarships@che.sc.gov](mailto:scholarships@che.sc.gov)>

**Date:** May 5, 2024 at 12:17:28 PM EDT

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** Help Katie Harris Complete the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Application

**Reply-To:** [scholarships@che.sc.gov](mailto:scholarships@che.sc.gov)

**Dear Chris,**


Kathryn Harris is applying to Late Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Application at the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education. Kathryn has indicated you as their High School Counselor on their application. Please help Kathryn complete the application by **submitting the required supporting documentation online.**

**Submit Supporting Documentation**

Supporting documentation submitted online can be processed most efficiently. If you

# HS Counselor's Secure Authorization Form

## #1.

 Hello Chris,

Please help Late 2025 Test App provide required information to South Carolina Commission on Higher Education by completing the form below.

\* Your First Name

\* Your Last Name

\* Is this student currently eligible for the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Pending June Test Score

High School Information

\* School Counselor Name

\* School Counselor Email

**Answering NO: will grey out the rest of the form - quick response for Counselors if student isn't eligible.  
Pending: Student is testing in June or NEEDS to test in June.**

# HS Counselor's Secure Authorization Form

#1.

\* Are you submitting this information for an Early or Late Award applicant?

Early Award

## Academic Standing and Test Scores of the Applicant

1. **REQUIRED:** All grade point averages (GPA) must be based on the SC Uniform Grading Policy (SC UGP) and be cumulative. All GPAs must be reported with at least two decimal places and cannot be rounded. Please note that the reported GPAs must match the GPA submitted on the official high school transcript. All transcripts submitted must have a June 15th date calculated or earlier. No exceptions. **All eligible Early applicants must have a junior year transcript submitted on their behalf. Late applicants must have a final senior year transcript submitted.**

\* Final 11th Grade GPA

Field is required

\* Are you submitting this information for an Early or Late Award applicant?

Late Award

## Academic Standing and Test Scores of the Applicant

1. **REQUIRED:** All grade point averages (GPA) must be based on the SC Uniform Grading Policy (SC UGP) and be cumulative. All GPAs must be reported with at least two decimal places and cannot be rounded. Please note that the reported GPAs must match the GPA submitted on the official high school transcript. All transcripts submitted must have a June 15th date calculated or earlier. No exceptions. **All eligible Early applicants must have a junior year transcript submitted on their behalf. Late applicants must have a final senior year transcript submitted.**

\* Final 12th Grade GPA

# #2.

## HS Counselor's Secure Authorization Form

2. REQUIRED: If using rank in order for the student to be eligible to apply, the applicant must rank in the top six percent of the class at the END of either the sophomore or junior year before summer school prior to June 15th regardless of academic year being used (not the number in the class at the beginning of the next school year) based upon the SC UGP. Class size should include only diploma seeking candidates. You are only required to report the rank used to qualify the student for the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship **(If the student met rank both sophomore and junior year, you should only report junior rank).**

\*If the top six percent of the class is not already a whole number of students, you should round up to the next student.

\*The reported class rank must match the class rank submitted on the official high school transcript and official high school ranking report.

Is this student using the top 6% of class rank to qualify?  
Yes

Which year was class rank met (Late Award)?

10th Grade

11th Grade

12th Grade

# HS Counselor's Secure Authorization Form

\*The reported class rank must match the class rank submitted on the official high school transcript and official high school ranking report.

Is this student using the top 6% of class rank to qualify?

Yes

Which year was class rank met (Late Award)?

10th Grade

## Sophomore Year Class Rank Information

\* END of Sophomore Academic Year Rank:

4

\* END of Sophomore Academic Year Class Size:

116

\* Number of students in top 6% of 10th Grade Class Rank (END of Sophomore Academic Year Class Size X .06)

7

Rounded Up to the Next Whole Number

#2.



# HS Counselor's Secure Authorization Form

## #2.

2. REQUIRED: If using rank in order for the student to be eligible to apply, the applicant must rank in the top six percent of the class at the END of either the sophomore or junior year before summer school prior to June 15th regardless of academic year being used (not the number in the class at the beginning of the next school year) based upon the SC UGP. Class size should include only diploma seeking candidates. You are only required to report the rank used to qualify the student for the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship (**If the student met rank both sophomore and junior year, you should only report junior rank**).

\*If the top six percent of the class is not already a whole number of students, you should round up to the next student.

\*The reported class rank must match the class rank submitted on the official high school transcript and official high school ranking report.

Is this student using the top 6% of class rank to qualify?

No



**Test Score Information**

# HS Counselor's Secure Authorization Form

#2.

## Test Score Information

\* REQUIRED - Has the student already met the SAT (Evidence-Based Reading & Writing/Math) or ACT score requirement?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If the student is sending ACT or SAT scores directly to CHE, please select which score they will be sending:

Sending ACT

Sending SAT

I will upload and submit the official score report here.

## Test Score Information

\* REQUIRED - Has the student already met the SAT (Evidence-Based Reading & Writing/Math) or ACT score requirement?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If the student is sending ACT or SAT scores directly to CHE, please select which score they will be sending:  
I will upload and submit the official score report here.

Please upload ACT or SAT scores here if student is not sending score report to CHE:



Upload file(s)

Drag files here or click to browse

Please upload in .pdf format.


Do **NOT** skip this drop down – or you will not be able to attach test scores!




# HS Counselor's Secure Authorization Form

#2.

Please upload all ACT or SAT scores here if available (multiple documents can be uploaded):

  
Remove

  
Remove

+ Add more files

Please upload in .pdf format.

## Test Score Information

\* REQUIRED - Has the student already met the SAT (Evidence-Based Reading & Writing/Math) or ACT score requirement?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If the student is sending ACT or SAT scores directly to CHE, please select which score they will be sending:


Sending ACT


## ACT or SAT Codes

If student is sending ACT or SAT scores directly to CHE, please provide them with one or both of the following codes:

- ACT: 6326
- SAT: 4313

Please upload all ACT or SAT scores here if available (multiple documents can be uploaded):

  
Remove

  
Remove

+ Add more files

# HS Counselor's Secure Authorization Form

#2.

## SAT and/or ACT test score(s):

Report highest scores available that meet the minimum requirement in the space below. Only qualifying scores for either the SAT or ACT need to be entered, **NOT** both. The high school must submit official documentation of the qualifying test scores. Acceptable documentation includes a copy of the score report, testing label/sticker, or the score report from the K12 portal with Counselor's signature. No score rosters will be accepted. No student provided score reports of any kind will be accepted. Naviance and Enrich score reports will be accepted and considered official.

SAT Evidence-Based Reading & Writing Score

680

SAT Math Score

700

SAT Total Score\*

1380

**OR**

ACT Superscore or Composite Score\*

30

# HS Counselor's Secure Authorization Form

## High School Information

\* School Counselor Name

\* School Counselor Email

\* High School Name

\* CEEB

Phone

Ext:

Upload Final 10th Grade Year Transcript (if using 10th grade year rank to qualify)



Upload file

Drag file here or click to browse

Please upload in .pdf format.

Upload Student's Final 11th Grade Transcript (.pdf format)



Upload file

Drag file here or click to browse

Upload Student's Final 12th Grade Transcript (.pdf format)



Remove

Please note that you will not be able to revise this information once it has been submitted.

SUBMIT

Conditional Logic:  
Transcript upload boxes  
will populate based off the  
info you provided on how  
the student was qualifying.  
So, you will only submit  
the necessary transcripts.

# HS Counselor's Secure Authorization Form

## Thank You Chris!

We've added the information to Katie Harris's records.

### Submitted Document

#### Summary

YOUR FIRST NAME

Christopher

YOUR LAST NAME




Harris

ARE YOU SUBMITTING THIS INFORMATION FOR AN EARLY OR LATE AWARD APPLICANT?

Early Award

FINAL 11TH GRADE SC UGP GPA

#### UPLOADED FILES

 Sample Transcript 2022.pdf (117.5 KB)	uploaded on 5/5/2024
 Sample Academy Transcript 2022.pdf (350.1 KB)	uploaded on 5/5/2024
 Sample ACT Score 2023.pdf (408.9 KB)	uploaded on 5/5/2024



Submitted Document Summary: you can print or save this, if you want. You can only see a list of uploaded files; you cannot see the file itself.




# What Happens Next?

Student will receive an email notifying them that the Counselor has submitted their supporting documentation, and the student can check their dashboard.

Hi Kathryn,  
Chris Harris submitted the Late Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Application supporting documentation you requested.

We have added it to your Late Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Application for you.



[Dashboard](#)

[Documents](#)

[School Counselor Authorization and Parental Consent Requests](#)

Please complete all the required items from the checklist so we can start reviewing your application.

[Preview Application](#)


Early Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Application ▾  
PALMETTO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT - FALL 2025 COHORT

## We're reviewing your application, Katie

Thank you for applying for the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship. Once CHE receives the required documentation from your High School Counselor, we will begin reviewing your application. We will notify you when it's made.

### Welcome back, Katie.

Your current applications

**Late Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Application**  
Fall 2024 Cohort - Palmetto Scholarship Applicant - Last logged in an hour ago

In Review

You can start a new application

START NEW APPLICATION

### Checklist

Required for your application:

COMPLETED 1/4 (25%) Last updated on 5/22/2024

Required item(s):

☐

Transcript (High School: Chapin High School [410355]) [View](#)

☐

ACT/SAT Test Scores [View](#)

☐

Designation Form [View](#)

We've received:

☒

High School Counselor Submission [View](#)  
Completed on 5/22/2024

# Student Dashboard

Student's checklist items will automatically update EXCEPT for the high school transcript – it will remain outstanding until CHE staff reviews the application. We will manually satisfy the transcript when we review the documents the HS Counselor submitted.

## Checklist

Required for your application:

COMPLETED 3/4 (75%)

Last updated on 8/30/2024

Required item(s):

☐ High School Transcript (High School: Summerville High School [411900]) [View](#)

We've received:

- ☒ ACT/SAT Test Scores  
Completed on 8/30/2024 [View](#)
- ☒ Parental Consent Form  
Completed on 8/29/2024 [View](#)
- ☒ High School Counselor Submission  
Completed on 8/30/2024 [View](#)

Early Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Application ▼  
PALMETTO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT - FALL 2025 COHORT

Gabriel D. ▼

## We're reviewing your application, Gabriel

Thank you for applying for the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship. Once CHE receives the required documentation from your High School Counselor, we will begin reviewing your application. We will notify you of the decision when it's made. \*Please note: High School transcripts are manually reviewed by CHE staff and therefore will remain as outstanding until CHE staff review the documentation submitted by the HS Counselor. Once CHE staff review the documentation, the transcript's status will be updated. Applications are reviewed in the order that supporting documentation is received.

## Checklist

Required for your application:

COMPLETED 4/4 (100%)

Last updated on 9/17/2024

We've received:

- ☒ ACT/SAT Test Scores  
Completed on 9/11/2024 [View](#)
- ☒ Parental Consent Form  
Completed on 8/26/2024 [View](#)
- ☒ High School Counselor Submission  
Completed on 9/11/2024 [View](#)
- ☒ High School Transcript (High School: Academic Magnet High School [410356])  
Completed on 9/17/2024 [View](#)

When CHE staff reviews application documentation, they will manually satisfy transcript requirement, if correct.

1 month processing timeframe...

# Student Dashboard

Once application processing is complete, the student's dashboard will automatically update, and they will receive an email as well. Student can submit the Designation Form from their dashboard.

The screenshot shows a student dashboard interface. On the left is a dark sidebar with navigation links: 'Dashboard', 'Documents', 'School Counselor Authorization and Parental Consent Requests', 'SUPPLEMENTAL FORMS' (with a sub-link '1 College Designation Form'), and 'Preview Application'. A green arrow points from the left towards the 'College Designation Form' link. The main content area has a blue header with the text 'We've carefully reviewed your application, Katie' and 'We're happy to offer you a conditional award. Please check your checklist for your next steps.' Below this is a white section titled 'Congratulations! Important Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Information'. This section contains two paragraphs of text and a green-bordered box at the bottom with instructions: 'Once you have finalized your college or university choice, please return to your dashboard to submit the Designation Form. This will notify CHE of your selected institution, allowing us to communicate directly with their Financial Aid Office regarding your Palmetto Fellows Scholarship. To submit, simply click "College Designation Form" on the left-hand menu, complete the form, and submit.' A second green arrow points from the bottom of this section back to the 'College Designation Form' link in the sidebar.

**Dashboard**

- Documents
- School Counselor Authorization and Parental Consent Requests
- SUPPLEMENTAL FORMS**
  - 1 College Designation Form**
- Preview Application

Please complete all the required items from the checklist so we can start reviewing your application.

## We've carefully reviewed your application, Katie

We're happy to offer you a conditional award. Please check your checklist for your next steps.

### Congratulations!

#### Important Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Information

On behalf of the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education, we are pleased to inform you that based on the information provided by you and your high school counselor during the Early Award Application process, you have met the academic requirements for the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship for the 2025-2026 academic year.

We congratulate you on your outstanding academic achievements during high school and the academic promise you show for studies in higher education.

Once you have finalized your college or university choice, please return to your dashboard to submit the Designation Form. This will notify CHE of your selected institution, allowing us to communicate directly with their Financial Aid Office regarding your Palmetto Fellows Scholarship. To submit, simply click "College Designation Form" on the left-hand menu, complete the form, and submit.

# School Rank Policy

- Email School handbook or profile showing school's policy for class rank. Your policy should match what you're doing for class rank.
- CHE will review a school's rank policy every 3 years to ensure compliance with regulations.



# Rank Report

$$237 \times 6\% = 14.22$$

School: Sample High

Term: 19-20 Semester 2

### Class Ranking for Grade 11

SC\_GPA\_UGP\_Round

06/10/2020 - Sample High

Rank	Student #	Name	GPA	Percentile
1.	40047	Student 1	5.442	.42
2.	10056	Student 2	5.417	.84
3.	110010029988	Student 3	5.307	1.27
4.	18064	Student 4	5.266	1.69
5.	40053	Student 5	5.178	2.11
6.	110010030215	Student 6	5.126	2.53
7.	110010029895	Student 7	5.095	2.95
8.	31645	Student 8	5.088	3.38
9.	110010028863	Student 9	5.048	3.80
10.	110010030028	Student 10	5.038	4.22
11.	110010028783	Student 11	4.965	4.64
12.	110010030210	Student 12	4.909	5.06
13.	28923	Student 13	4.899	5.49
14.	10183	Student 14	4.877	5.91
15.	26168	Student 15	4.866	6.33
16.	110010030094	Student 16	4.777	6.75
17.	110010033468	Student 17	4.775	7.17

CHE archives rank reports – submit to CHE at end of AY.

PowerSchool rank reports do not have the words “Date Calculated” however date calculated is shown as highlighted above.

Make sure transcripts and rank report match.

# Rank Report

## PowerSchool - Excel

SC Sample High School  
2023-24 12 Grade Class Rank

Date Calculated: 6/13/24

RANK	STUDENTID	LASTFIRST	GPA	PERCENTILE	STORECODE
1	22683	Student 1	4.704	1.59	
2	21894	Student 2	4.513	3.17	
3	22112	Student 3	4.478	4.76	
4	11004	Student 4	4.474	6.35	
5	2.60E+11	Student 5	4.347	7.94	
6	20325	Student 6	4.168	9.52	
7	2.60E+11	Student 7	4.097	11.11	
8	26504	Student 8	4.09	12.7	
9	32302	Student 9	3.957	14.29	
10	35350	Student 10	3.939	15.87	
11	14651	Student 11	3.9	17.46	
12	22281	Student 12	3.882	19.05	
13	15674	Student 13	3.857	20.63	
14	11048	Student 14	3.772	22.22	

CHE archives rank reports – submit to CHE at end of AY.

PowerSchool Excel rank reports may not have: School name, grade level rank, academic year, and date calculated. You will need to add this information as a Header.

Make sure transcripts and rank report match.

Saving the Date Calculated in the title, is not sufficient – Colleges are audited on the Date Calculated – they cannot see the title when it's uploaded into the PFS portal. All Excel documents need to be converted to a PDF before submitting to CHE.



# Rank Report - Private/Homeschool



**Academy  
University**

Accountability Group

Must show the words “Date Calculated” and the actual date final calculation was done.

Needs to show school name or letterhead.

Make sure data on transcripts and rank report match.

CHE archives rank reports – submit to CHE at end of AY.

Rank Report

Date Calculated: June 14, 2022

$$L20 \times 6\% = 2$$

11 <sup>th</sup> Grade Ranking Report: 6/14/22		
Name	SC UGP	Rank
Student #1	4.868	1
Student #2	4.742	2
Student #3	4.561	3
Student #4	4.378	4
Student #5	4.235	5
Student #6	4.148	6
Student #7	4.027	7
Student #8	3.982	8
Student #9	3.817	9
Student #10	3.665	10

# Transcript - Public School

Must contain signature.

Make sure data on  
transcripts and rank  
report match.

Student Name		
Student ID	Grade 12	Gender
State ID	Date of Birth	Ethnic Code
Parent or Guardian		

## State of South Carolina Standard High School Transcript - Final

Graduation Date: 06/02/2022  
Class Of: 2022  
Diploma Type: State of SC Diploma

School Name/Address  
High School  
Address  
City, SC Zip Code  
Tel: xxx-xxx-xxxx Fax: xxx-xxx-xxxx

District Name/Address  
School District  
Address  
City, SC Zip Code  
Tel: xxx-xxx-xxxx Fax: xxx-xxx-xxxx

Crs ID	Course Title	Term	Grd	Mark	Credit	Crs ID	Course Title	Term	Grd	Mark	Credit
<b>17-18 Middle School</b>											
302400HW	English 1 Honors	YR	8	87	1.00						
411400HW	Algebra 1 Honors	YR	8	84	1.00						
<b>18-19 High School</b>											
302500HW	English 2 Honors	YR	9	85	1.00						
322100HW	Biology1 Honors	YR	9	87	1.00						
337900AW	AP Human Geography	YR	9	73	1.00						
344110CW	PE1	YR	9	96	1.00						
356700CW	Instrumental Music: Guitar	YR	9	84	1.00						
412200HW	Geometry Honors	YR	9	78	1.00						
477500AW	AP Computer Science Principles	YR	9	93	1.00						
<b>19-20 High School</b>											
302600HW	English 3 Honors	YR	10	83	1.00						
323100HW	Chemistry1 Honors	YR	10	89	1.00						
327200AW	AP Biology	YR	10	73	1.00						
336000HW	World History Honors	YR	10	100	1.00						
361100CW	French1	YR	10	90	1.00						
411500HW	Algebra 2 Honors	YR	10	88	1.00						
477100AW	AP Comp Sci A	YR	10	99	1.00						
<b>20-21 High School</b>											
328200AW	AP Physics 1	YR	11	93	1.00						
332000HW	US Hist and Consti Honors	YR	11	92	1.00						
361200CW	French2	YR	11	87	1.00						
413100HW	Precalculus Honors	YR	11	83	1.00						
605100HW	Intro Eng Design	YR	11	79	1.00						
901200GW	AICE English Language, AS Level	YR	11	88	1.00						
<b>21-22 High School</b>											
333000HH	U.S. Government Honors	S1	12	92	0.50						

# Transcript - Private/Homeschool

## Academic Achievement Record

Full Legal Name _____				School Name _____				School Name _____			
SSN _____		Ethnicity <u>N/A</u>		School Address _____				Address, City, SC Zip Code _____			
DOB <u>00/18/2004</u>		Sex _____		School Code <u>000..</u>				Phone: <u>xxx-xxx-xxxx</u>			
Parent or Guardian _____				Date Printed: <u>06/24/2022</u>							
Address _____				Address, City, SC Zip Code _____							
Phone <u>xxx-xxx-xxxx</u>				Graduation Date <u>5/27/2022</u>							

Grd	Year	Course		S1	S2	Yr	CRD	Grd	Year	Course		S1	S2	Yr	CRD
Middle School															
08	2017-2018	Algebra 1-Honors	H	93	91	92	1								
08	2017-2018	English 1-Honors	H	97	98	98	1								
08	2017-2018	Technology	CP	96	97	97	1								
Annual GPA : 4.9000															
High School															
09	2018-2019	Bl:Early Church	CP	94	94	94	1								
09	2018-2019	English 2-Honors	H	94	93	94	1								
09	2018-2019	Geography	CP	94	93	94	1								
09	2018-2019	Geometry-Honors	H	83	84	84	1								
09	2018-2019	Physical Education	CP	100	100	100	1								
09	2018-2019	Physical Science	CP	91	91	91	1								
09	2018-2019	Spanish 1	CP	96	97	97	1								
Annual GPA : 4.4857															
High School															
10	2019-2020	Algebra 2-Honors	H	90	94	92	1								
10	2019-2020	Bl: Early Christians	CP	95	95	95	1								
10	2019-2020	Biology 1	CP	86	91	89	1								
10	2019-2020	English 3-Honors/American Literature	H	91	96	94	1								
10	2019-2020	Fine Art-Art 1	CP	98	98	98	1								
10	2019-2020	Spanish 2	CP	97	95	96	1								
10	2019-2020	World History	CP	94	91	93	1								
Annual GPA : 4.5286															
High School															
11	2020-2021	Statistics	CP	90	94	92	1								
11	2020-2021	American History II	CP	95	95	95	1								
11	2020-2021	World Religion	CP	86	91	89	1								
11	2020-2021	Advanced Biology Honors	H	91	96	94	1								
11	2020-2021	American Literature II	H	98	98	98	1								
11	2020-2021	Spanish 3	CP	94	91	93	1								
Annual GPA: 4.5189															

Must contain signature.

Make sure data on  
transcripts and rank  
report match.

# SAT/ACT Score Stickers

**SAMPLE**

This side for PSAT, SAT, PLAN, ACT, AP.

STUDNET NAME  
AP EXAM SCORES  
19:HGEO 5 00/00/00 A

STUDENT NAME  
SAT August 2020 Gr: 12  
Registration Number/Access Code: 004677893  
Total: 1440 ERW: 690 Y MSS: 750 Y  
R: 32 WL: 37 MTS: 37.5  
SCI: 36 HSS: 32 COE: 14  
EOI: 15 SEC: 13 WIC: 13  
HOA: 14 PSD: 14 PAM: 14  
ESR: ESA: ESW:  
The College Board - For High School Use Only

STUDENT NAME NAME OF STUDENT		ACT ID		05/08/2004 DATE OF BIRTH	
* The writing score range is 1-36 for test events Sept. 2015 to Aug. 2016 and 2-12 for all other test events.					
ENGLISH		MATH		READING	
SCORES: 30		31		25 28 29	
PERCENT AT OR BELOW NAT'L COMP.:		90		The ACT	
WRITING*					11
TEST DATE & TEST LOCATION					02/2021

STUDENT NAME  
AP EXAM SCORES  
21:USHIST 5 05/08/04  
21: BIO 5 20:WORLDHIS 5  
21:ENGLANG 4 19:HUMANGEOS 5  
21:CALCAB 5

Verified  
by [Signature]  
4/11/22



# SAT/ACT Enrich Score Summary

Student name MUST be on score summary. If your district did not format it so student name prints at the top of page, all pages MUST be included.

3/30/2021

Test Scores • Student Name • Frontline Education												
2019 October	11	32	93	34	99	25.5	62	1170	87	Yes	Yes	
2018 October	10	34	97	32	95	26.5	76	1190	91	Yes	Yes	
2016 October	08	31	92	31	93	77	25	66	1120	84	Yes	Yes

? **READY TO WORK**

Administration ▼	Grade	General	Applied Mathematics	Locating Information	Reading for Information	Soft Skills
		Certificate Level	Level Score	Level Score	Level Score	Score
2020	12	Platinum	7	6	6	Pass

? **SAT**

Administration ▼	Grade	Writing	Math	Evidence Based Reading and Writing	SAT Total
		Score	Score	Score	Score
2021 March	12		610	740	1350
2020 December	12		660	710	1370
2020 August	12		600	730	1330

1400

? **SC READY**

Paul Winfrey



# SAT Score Report

SAT can be Superscored.

**PAGE 2:** will list all the student’s test dates and scores.

New Digital Report doesn’t show all test attempts, so we would need a report for each testing that is being used to qualify for a Superscore.



## SAT Summary of Scores

Date		Mar. 13, 2021	Dec. 6, 2020				
Grade		11	11				
SAT							
Total		1450	1440				
Evidence-Based Reading and Writing		740	710				
Math		710	730				
Essay	Reading						
	Analysis						
	Writing	1470					
Old SAT							
Critical Reading							
Mathematics							
Writing							

### Can I Choose Which Scores to Send?

With Score Choice™, you decide which scores you send to colleges. Choose by test date for the SAT and individual test for past SAT Subject Tests you took (these tests are no longer offered). Just make sure you follow each college’s stated score-use policy.

- Use your scores to personalize your SAT practice.
- Make a college plan.
- Follow your interests, and build a career road map.
- Register to take the SAT again.

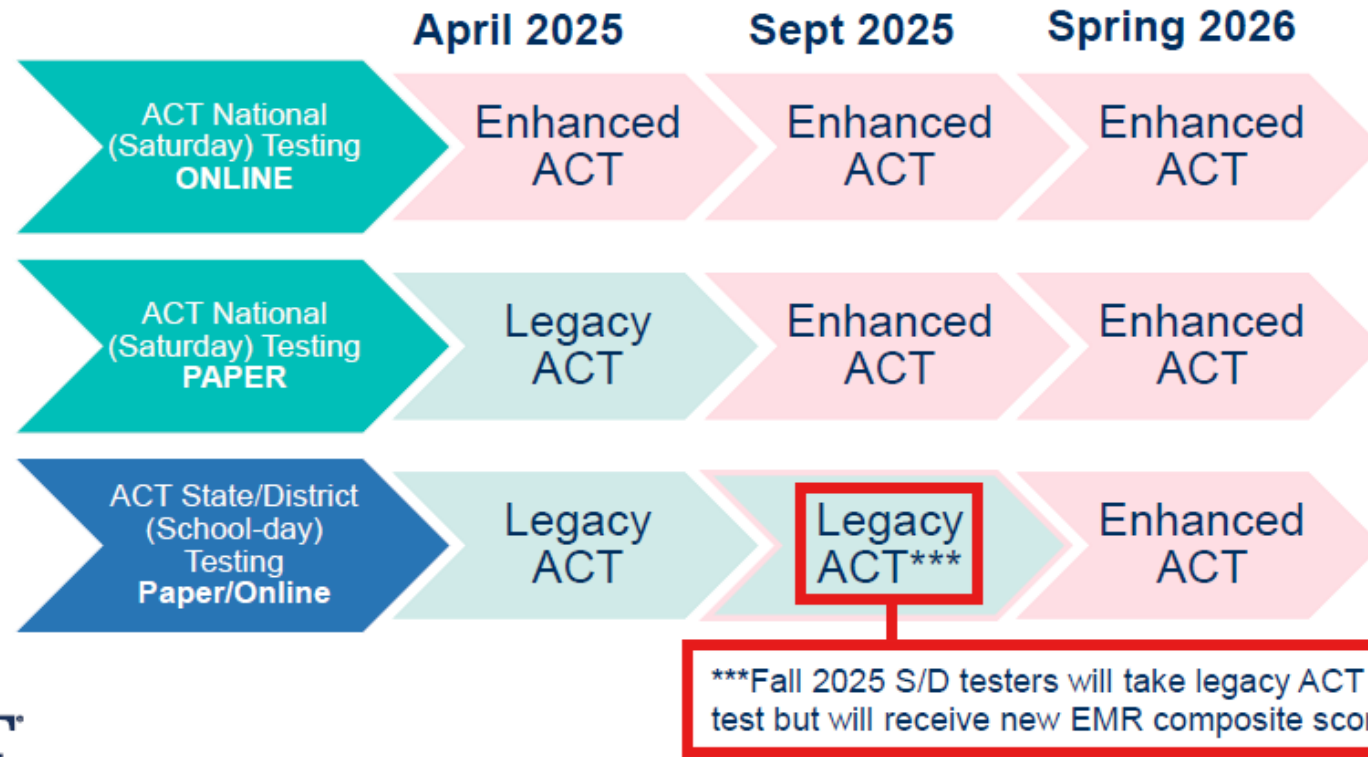
**\*\*Score Reports printed from the K12 Portal do not need a HS Counselor signature or initial – we will not accept a student score report.**

**Imagood Student**  
 Test Date: March 13, 2021  
 Registration Number: 0123456789



# ACT Superscore Update

## Phased Rollout: Enhanced ACT & New Composite Score



- **CHE:** For the purposes of meeting the ACT test score requirement, the student must use the highest English, Math, and Reading scores, which may come from different test administrations. A Science score may be included to improve the composite score but is not required. (LIFE and Palmetto Fellows).

# ACT Superscore Update

Here's how to find your ACT superscore if you want to do it yourself:

**Step 1:** Gather all of your ACT score reports.

**Step 2:** Fill out a table with your test dates and corresponding scores from all your ACT tests so you can easily compare subject scores.

**Step 3:** Identify your best score in each subject by circling the highest number in each column.

**Step 4:** Calculate the average based on your last valid test attempt.

If your last valid test attempt was on the:

- **Legacy ACT:** Calculate the average by adding the English, math, reading and science scores together, dividing by four, and rounding to the nearest whole number.
- **Enhanced ACT:** Calculate the average by adding English, math, and reading scores together, dividing by three, and rounding to the nearest whole number.

**Legacy:** English + Math + Reading + Science = Total / 4 = Superscore Composite

**Enhanced:** English + Math + Reading = Total / 3 = Superscore Composite

**ACT's Rounding Integer:**

*Legacy Composite = 0.5*

*Enhanced Composite = 0.6*

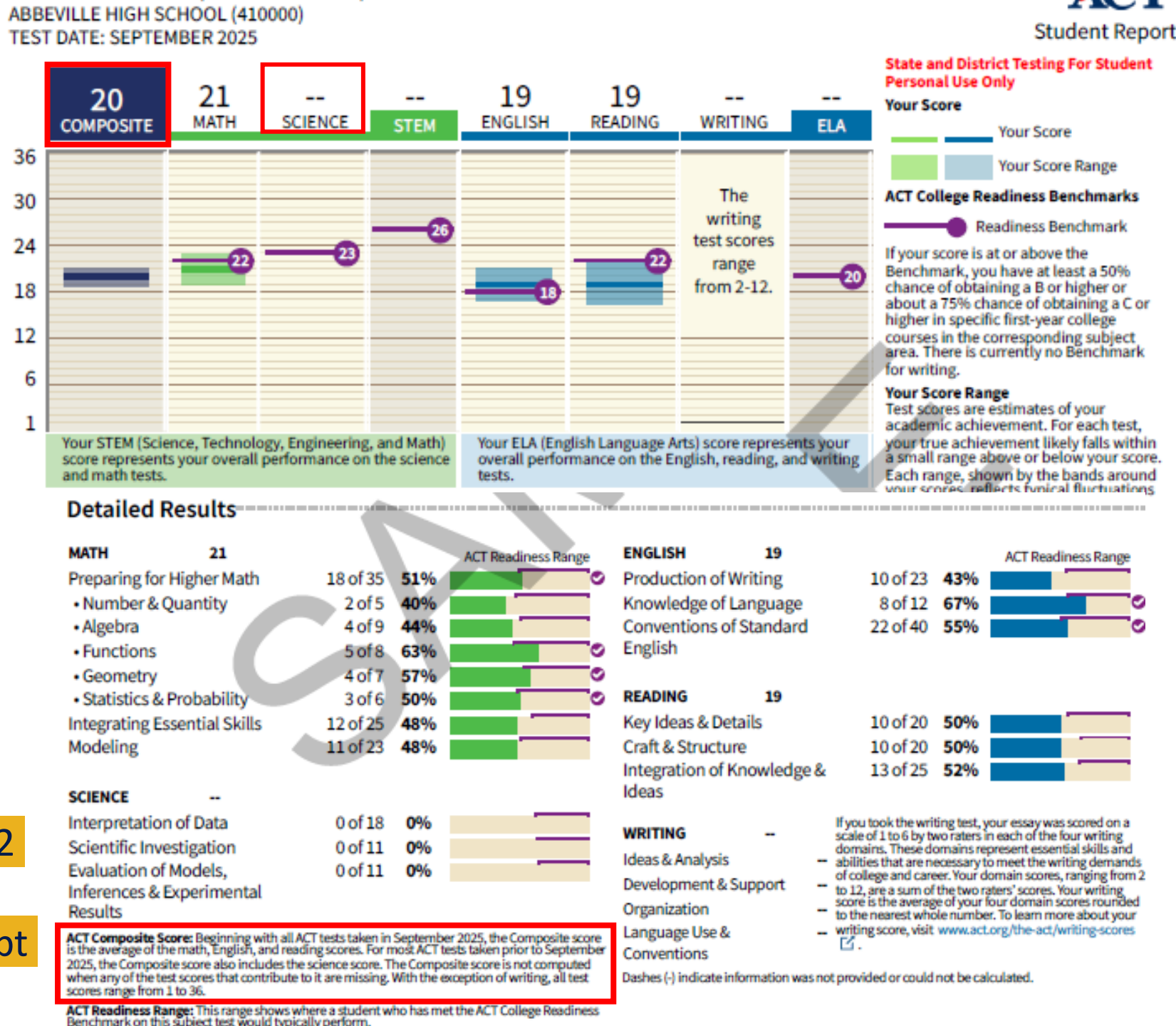


# ACT Score Report - Enhanced Sample

Printed from the K12 portal.

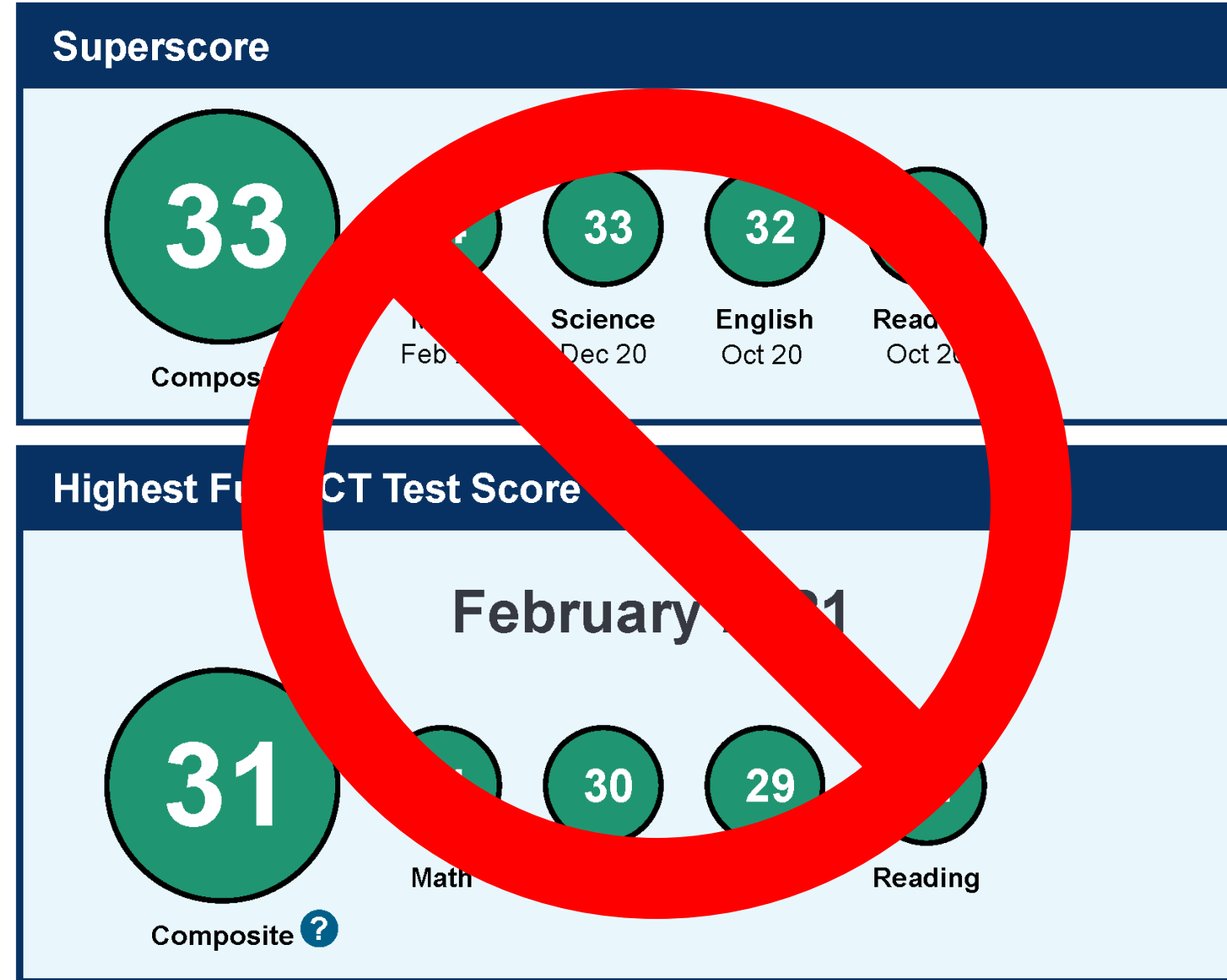
If no Superscore on report, will need score report for each date you are using a subject score to Superscore.

**\*\*Score Reports printed from the K12 Portal do not need a HS Counselor signature or initial – we will not accept a student score report.**



# ACT Score Report - Student's Score Report

CHE will **not** accept a student's score report screenshot (or printed) from their portal.



Excerpt from Kayla's ACT Superscore Report at My ACT

# CHE's Superscore Calculator

## CHE Superscore ACT Calculator

As of Sept 2025, ACT will no longer calculate the Legacy Superscore on their score reports.

You can enter the student's highest subject scores and it will calculate both the Legacy and the Enhance Superscore.

**\*An official score report must be submitted for each subject score the student is using to qualify.**

**Student Name:**

**Eric Jones**

Please enter the highest test scores in each area			
Math	Science	English	Reading
30	27	34	30

Legacy Superscore	30
Enhanced (New) Superscore	31

*\*an official score report for each corresponding subject score must be submitted*

# Student Notification

- Students will be notified:
  - Approx. 1 month after CHE receives their School supporting documents.
  - Late Award: Late August\*
- Dashboard will be updated automatically, and student will receive an email.
  - Emails are sent from [Scholarships@che.sc.gov](mailto:Scholarships@che.sc.gov)





# Designation Form

- In order for the student to receive scholarship funds they **MUST** complete the DESIGNATION FORM
  - This is the SOLE responsibility of the student
  - This is an online form that will show on the student's dashboard once the application is processed
- Final deadline to submit Designation Form: August 31<sup>st</sup>
  - Please remind students to check their dashboard and email!

# Palmetto Fellows Award Amounts

1<sup>st</sup> Year

- Up to \$6,700

2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Years

- Up to \$7,500

# How do I keep the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship?

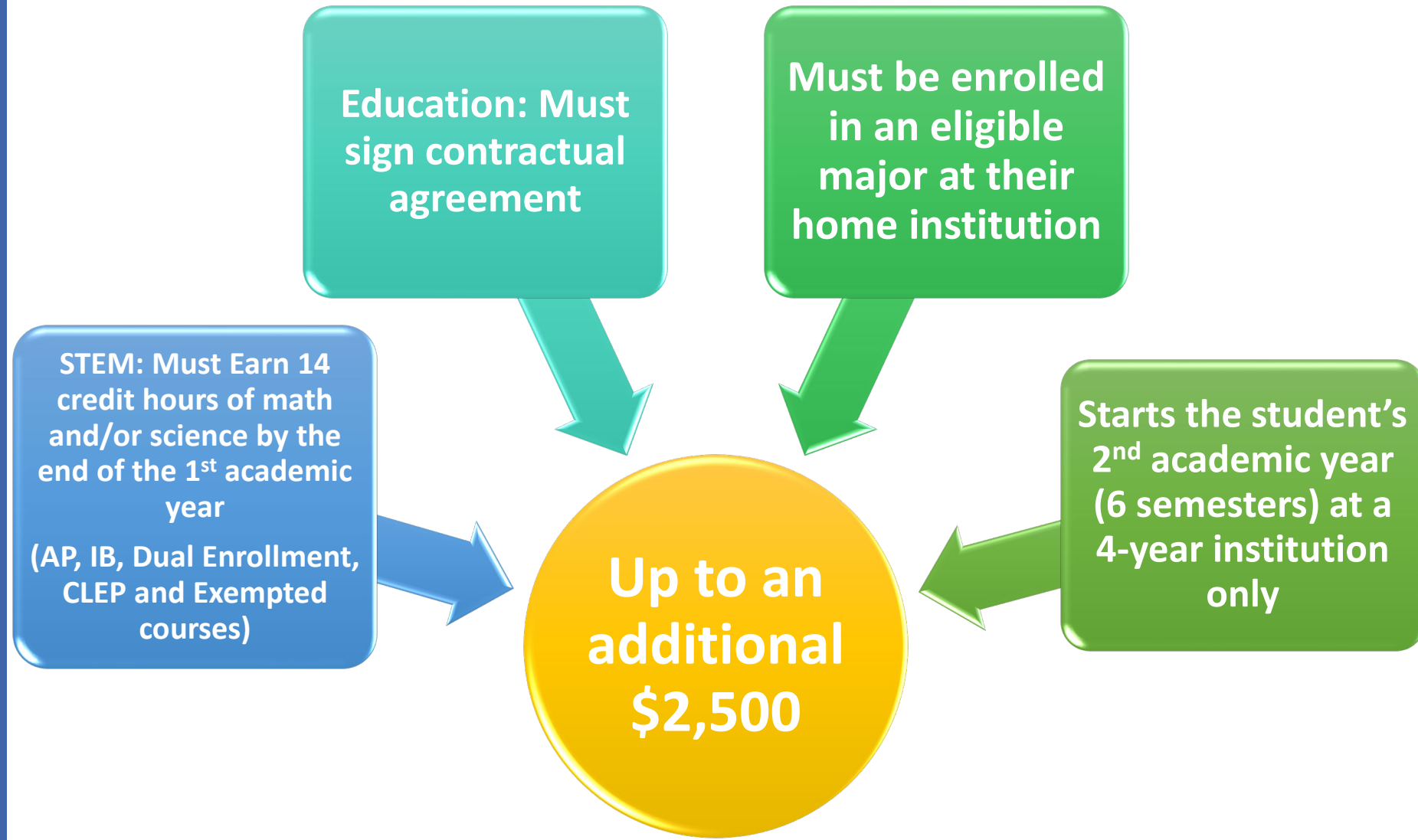
3.0 cumulative  
institutional GPA

(Cannot transfer grades  
from other colleges)

Earn 30 credit hours each  
academic year

Does NOT include AP, IB,  
Dual Enrollment, CLEP or  
exempted hours

# LIFE & PFS Enhancements



# ENHANCEMENTS

## LIFE Scholarship

1st Year

- Up to \$5,000

2nd, 3rd &  
4th Years

- Up to \$7,500 with Enhancement

## Palmetto Fellows Scholarship

1st Year

- Up to \$6,700

2nd, 3rd &  
4th Years

- Up to \$7,500
- Up to \$10,000 with Enhancement

# Students with Documented Disabilities

**Register with the Office of Disability Services**



**May be eligible for accommodations**



**May be eligible for Reduced Course load**



# General State Scholarship & Grant Information



- No State Scholarships or Grants may be used at an out-of-state institution at any time.
- Academic Common Market
  - Allows for South Carolina residents who are enrolled in specific programs at out-of-state institutions to be charged only the applicable in-state tuition by the institution in which the student is enrolled



# TRANSCRIPTS

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In order to determine eligibility for the State scholarship programs, the financial aid office/institution and/or CHE for the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship must have an official transcript on file (electronic or otherwise) that demonstrates the following items:

- A valid signature (electronic or otherwise) from the Principal.\* In the event that the Principal is not available, the Superintendent signature is acceptable.
  - *\*\*For Independent/Private and home school students: The administrator, registrar, or an official from the home school/accountability group. Should provide letter stating designated school rep.*
- SC UGP GPA must be demonstrated
- Date calculated date to be date calculated no later than June 15<sup>th</sup> (regardless of academic year)
  - For the LIFE Scholarship and the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Late Award the transcript MUST demonstrate that it is the final official transcript, as well as reflect a graduation date
- Rank
  - If an independent high school or home school association has an approved policy on rank, a rank must be demonstrated on the official transcript (even if the student is not using rank for scholarship eligibility).
  - A rank report must also be submitted **with a date calculated matching the transcripts** even if the student is not using rank. (LIFE 62-1200.10.C)

# Transcript Requirements:

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*Scholarship Eligibility Purposes*

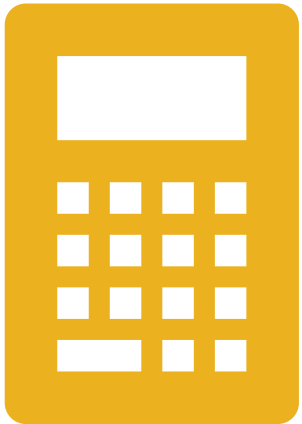
# Transfer Students

If a student transfers into your school, and they would like to be considered for state scholarships, the new school must provide a cumulative SC UGP GPA either on the new schools' transcript or provide a conversion document that shows the student's cumulative SC UGP GPA.

Class rank uses a cumulative SC UGP GPA, if the student does not have a cumulative SC UGP GPA on their transcript, the student cannot be ranked. The student would be included in the class size and listed on the rank report as not ranked.

If there is no cumulative SC UGP GPA provided, a student will not be eligible for state scholarships.

# Rank & State Scholarship Eligibility



- For the purposes of the LIFE and Palmetto Fellows Scholarship (PFS) programs two students cannot not occupy the same rank.
  - LIFE Scholarship: Top 30% of the graduating class (NOT rounded up to the next whole number)
  - PFS: Top 6% (rounded up to the next whole number)
- In the event of a tie, the high school/home school association is responsible for determining the legitimate rank for each eligible applicant.
  - For the purposes of the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship the student's GPA may need to be truncated past two decimal points in order to determine the true rank for each student.
  - *Inquire about your School District or Board's approved policy*
- Commission staff will NOT be able to participate in the school's process to determine a student's true rank.

# Rank Policies

- In order for a student to use rank from any in-state, out-of-state, public, private, virtual, or charter high school or home school association the process in which rank is determined must be the same for each student.
- A rank policy\* is considered the following:
  - Based on the SC UGP;
  - Ranks ALL academic classes at the END of each academic year (9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>);
  - Includes the entire class. If the entire class is not included when calculating class rank, then rank CANNOT to be considered;
  - Rank and SC UGP must be demonstrated on the official transcript submitted to CHE or eligible SC institution

*\*Please Note: In accordance with 62-1200.10 C (3): Student Eligibility: LIFE Scholarship and LIFE Scholarship Enhancement and 62-320 C (4): Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Application, "High schools or home school associations shall not use ranking for the sole purpose of obtaining eligibility for the state scholarships."*



# Rank Policies

- The rank policy and rank policy information needs to be consistent in all places rank information is provided
  - School profile
  - Student/parent handbook
  - School website
- Made available to:
  - Students/parents
  - SC Commission on Higher Education staff
  - SC colleges and universities that award State scholarships

*Please Note: A Rank Report is required to be submitted to Commission staff and/or eligible SC institution by any independent/private high school or homeschool association should a student be using rank as an eligibility criteria for any of the State scholarship programs. (In compliance with Regulation 62-1200.10)*

# Rank Reports

If the school/home school association officially ranks as a policy, a rank report must also be submitted to verify class rank on transcript.

Rank reports must include:

- All diploma-seeking students in the class;
- List their GPAs;
- List their class rank;
- Show “Date Calculated”
  - No later than June 15<sup>th</sup>
- **Information on rank report MUST match information on Transcript.**

# Rank Reports

Per the memo sent to institutions and high schools on June 15, 2023, beginning with the Class of 2024, all ranking schools **MUST** submit their final 12<sup>th</sup> grade ranking report to CHE **no later than June 30** of each academic year. **Must be in pdf format.**

Rank reports can be sent to  
[Scholarships@che.sc.gov](mailto:Scholarships@che.sc.gov)

*Ranking high schools no longer need to send ranking reports to SC Colleges and Universities.*

# GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

SC HOPE, LIFE, Palmetto Fellows Scholarship, SC Need-based Grant & Lottery Tuition Assistance\*\*

- US Citizen/Legal Permanent Resident\*
- SC Resident\*
- No felony convictions\*\*
- No second or subsequent alcohol/drug misdemeanors
- Not in default on any state or federal loans
- Enroll in a degree-seeking program at an eligible SC institution

*\*This must be determined at the time of high school graduation & college enrollment.*

*\*\*Excluding Lottery Tuition Assistance.*



# Early Graduate vs. Graduating Early

## Early Graduate

(Senior graduating mid-year > not during the Spring Cohort)

### LIFE Scholarship

- For scholarship eligibility the student **CANNOT** use rank as an eligibility criterion.

### Palmetto Fellows Scholarship

- Student can qualify with class rank from the end of the 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grade year.
- **Palmetto Fellows: can only apply during the Early Award Period PRIOR to completing their high school graduation requirements.**

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## Graduating Early

(Student graduates academic year(s) early > graduates with Spring Cohort)

### SC HOPE / LIFE Scholarship

- Eligibility is based on the end of the academic year with the student's "new" graduating class

### Palmetto Fellows Scholarship

- Early Award Application Period can use the end of 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grade rank, must use end of 11<sup>th</sup> grade GPA
- Late Award Application Period can use the end of 10<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade rank, must use end of 12<sup>th</sup> grade GPA

# HS Counselor PFS App Status Reports

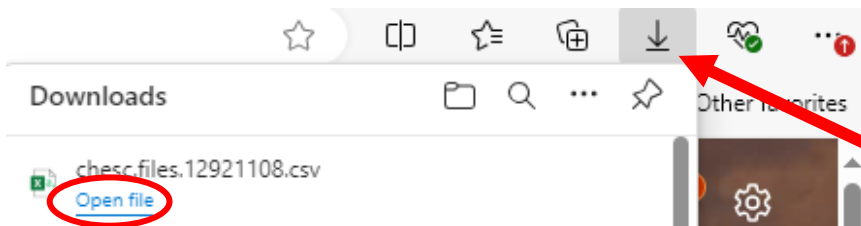
*\*Revised June 2025\**

*\*Will be sent via email – first Monday of every Month\**

Email will automatically send from our system. Please make sure [notifications@element451.io](mailto:notifications@element451.io) is on your safe sender list.

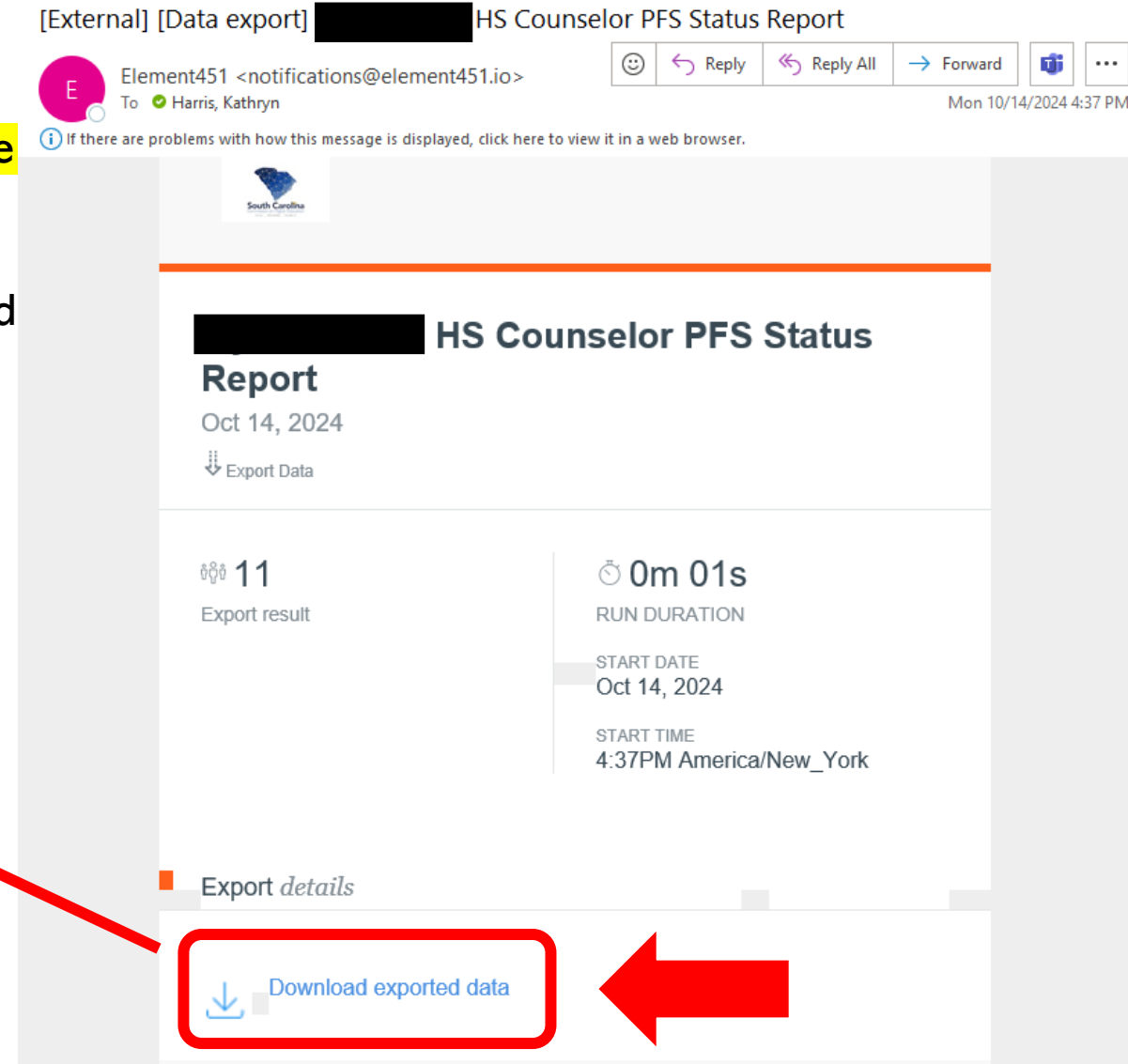
When you receive the email, you will need to click the Download exported Data link or Copy the Hyperlink and paste it into your browser's address bar.

File will download into your Browser's Downloads folder.



You will be able to open it from there.  
It will open as a csv file in Excel.

*\*We do not receive bounce backs from these emails. If you are not receiving them, you will need to let us know.\**





# HS Counselor PFS App Status Reports

## Sample Report:

HS Name	Last Name	First Name	Middle	Date of Birth	Email	Phone Cell - Nu	Application Type	Application Status	Decision status guid	Four-Year Designation	Two-Year Designation	Out-of-State Sch	Gap Year E	Checklist Item	Checklist Item Status
SC High School	Jones	Sharon		7/19/2007	sharonj@gmail.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer					ACT/SAT Test Scores	completed
SC High School	Jones	Sharon		7/19/2007	sharonj@gmail.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer					Parental Consent Form	completed
SC High School	Jones	Sharon		7/19/2007	sharonj@gmail.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer					High School Counselor Submission	completed
SC High School	Jones	Sharon		7/19/2007	sharonj@gmail.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer					Designation Form	uncompleted
SC High School	Jones	Sharon		7/19/2007	sharonj@gmail.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer					High School Transcript (High School: SC High School)	completed
SC High School	Smith	Ed	Shaun	8/15/2006	EdsSmith@icloud.com	8037370738	Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer	Clemson University				ACT/SAT Test Scores	completed
SC High School	Smith	Ed	Shaun	8/15/2006	EdsSmith@icloud.com	8037370738	Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer	Clemson University				Parental Consent Form	completed
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SC High School	Roush	Sara	Kay	11/27/2006	Sarakay@gmail.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Denied					ACT/SAT Test Scores	waived
SC High School	Roush	Sara	Kay	11/27/2006	Sarakay@gmail.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Denied					High School Counselor Submission	completed
SC High School	Roush	Sara	Kay	11/27/2006	Sarakay@gmail.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Denied					High School Transcript (High School: SC High School)	waived
SC High School	Davis	Tara		8/21/2007	Tdavis@yahoo.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer			Tufts University		ACT/SAT Test Scores	completed
SC High School	Davis	Tara		8/21/2007	Tdavis@yahoo.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer			Tufts University		High School Counselor Submission	completed
SC High School	Davis	Tara		8/21/2007	Tdavis@yahoo.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer			Tufts University		Designation Form	completed
SC High School	Davis	Tara		8/21/2007	Tdavis@yahoo.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer			Tufts University		High School Transcript (High School: SC High School)	completed
SC High School	Green	Austin	B	12/24/2006	abgreen@outlook.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer				Gap	ACT/SAT Test Scores	completed
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SC High School	Green	Austin	B	12/24/2006	abgreen@outlook.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer				Gap	High School Transcript (High School: SC High School)	completed
SC High School	Harris	Monica	Noel	1/12/2007	MonicaH2000@gmail.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer		Trident Technical College			ACT/SAT Test Scores	completed
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SC High School	Harris	Monica	Noel	1/12/2007	MonicaH2000@gmail.com		Early PFS Application	submitted	Conditional Offer	Trident Technical College				High School Counselor Submission	completed
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SC High School	Carter	Shannon	Marie	11/28/2006	scarter7735@yahoo.com	8037372260	Late PFS Application	submitted	Missing Documents					ACT/SAT Test Scores	uncompleted
SC High School	Carter	Shannon	Marie	11/28/2006	scarter7735@yahoo.com	8037372260	Late PFS Application	submitted	Missing Documents					High School Counselor Submission	uncompleted
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SC High School	Landry	Brian	T	4/15/2007	brianthomas@gmail.com		Late PFS Application	submitted	In Review					High School Counselor Submission	completed
SC High School	Landry	Brian	T	4/15/2007	brianthomas@gmail.com		Late PFS Application	submitted	In Review					High School Transcript (High School: SC High School)	uncompleted
SC High School	Woods	Brandon	David	10/30/2006	BW25@gmail.com	8038562260	Late PFS Application	submitted	Submitted					ACT/SAT Test Scores	uncompleted
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SC High School	Woods	Brandon	David	10/30/2006	BW25@gmail.com	8038562260	Late PFS Application	submitted	Submitted					High School Transcript (High School: SC High School)	uncompleted

★ Pro Tip: the reports come as excel CSV files. Before you start working through your report, you will want to ‘Save As’ an Excel Workbook .xlsx, so it will retain any changes, color coding and formatting you do while working through your report.

# HS Counselor PFS App Status Reports

Reports were revised effective June 2025.

We added 'Application Type' so both Early and Late Applications will show on one report for that academic year.

We also added Checklist items and their status – student record will duplicate for each checklist item so it can show the status of each item.

Checklist Status: is completed or uncompleted.

Application Status: **Decision Status** guid is the application status:

Submitted = student has submitted their application, but review hasn't started because checklist items are missing.

In Review = in process (e.g., CHE staff's 30-day processing timeframe);

Missing Documents = CHE staff has done their first review and something is missing – student's checklist should reflect what is missing. *\*Will delay processing, once missing documents are submitted the 30-day processing timeframe will restart.*

Conditional Offer = application processed/scholarship offered (student has been notified – dashboard & email);

Denied = student was ineligible (student has been notified – dashboard & email);

The next four columns are **Designation Form data**. Once the student has submitted their Designation Form, that info will show in the column based on student's choice submitted.

## Student missing from your report?

1. Reports are based off high school information the student submitted on their application – if they mis-reported their school, that could cause them to not show on your report. OR

2. You will only see **submitted applications** on this report. If you have submitted docs for a student **not on this list**, that means the student has **not** submitted their application yet. Please direct the student back to their dashboard to SUBMIT their application for processing → **See next page for more info! Application must be submitted before deadline!**

# Student Started Application But Has Not Submitted Application:

SC CHE

Early Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Application ▾

PALMETTO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT - FALL 2025 COHORT

APPLICATION PROGRESS (100%)

Dashboard

Student Information

High School Information

School Counselor Authorization and Parental Consent Requests

Submit Application

Preview Application

Hello, Brian

Your application is automatically saved as you work on it. Don't worry about losing anything. If you don't finish now, come back and pick up where you left off. If all required fields are completed and the green "Submit Application" button is visible, please click it to finalize your application.

SUBMIT APPLICATION ↗

*\*These students are receiving emails and text messages regarding their application being started but not submitted. After May 1, 2026, at 11:59pm, applications will not be able to be submitted. Any applications that were started but NOT submitted, will not be considered!*



# CHE High School Counselor Resources Webpage



**- Transfer Excellence Center**

- 2023 Transfer Action Plan
- Transfer Outcomes Dashboard
- Transfer and Articulation Center (SC TRAC)
- Military Credit Mobility Task Force
- Credit for Prior Military Learning Training

**- Licensing of Non-Public Postsecondary Institutions**

- Pay Licensing Fees Online
- Pay SC SARA Fees Online

**- Nursing Educator Initiative**

**- Academic Programs, Policies and Administration**

- Academic Programs and Career Clusters Dashboard
- REACH Act Compliance Guidelines

**- CHEMIS**

**- High School Counselor Resources**

- SC CAN GO (College Access and FAFSA Completion Events)
- Veteran's Education and Training (SAA)
- EIA Centers of Excellence for Teacher Education

## High School Counselor Resources

Welcome to the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education's resource page for high school counselors! Our goal is to enhance college access by providing resources to support our counselors as they help students on their higher education journey. As a partner for counselors across the state, the CHE Office of Student Affairs is committed to supporting your efforts in shaping the academic and personal growth of students as they pursue their higher education dreams.

## Join us for our 2025 Palmetto Fellows Workshops!

We are excited to announce four virtual workshops this fall designed to support administrators and counselors in navigating the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship application process.

- The first workshop, in September, will be tailored specifically for **homeschool administrators**.
- The following three workshops will be for **counselors and administrators at public and independent high schools**.

Each session will provide an overview of the digital application process and guidance on how Early Applications for the Class of 2026 can be successfully submitted electronically. We encourage homeschool administrators, high school counselors, and school administrators to register for the workshop most relevant to their setting. Simply click the "Register" link for your preferred session.

### Dates and Registration:



### Updates:

[REGISTRATION FOR COLLEGE APPLICATION MONTH AND COLLEGE GOAL SC EVENTS IS OPEN!](#)

[College Application Month Student Survey Link](#)

[Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Fall 2025 Workshops Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

### Training Workshops:

[FAFSA Counselor Training](#)

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*Note: General information on state scholarships and grants is located on our [Scholarships and Grants Page](#)*

- [Early Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Student Invite \(PDF\)](#)
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## Grants for SC Residents

Students pursuing higher education through a number of need-based and merit-based programs must first prove residency in the state of South Carolina to apply for state-funded financial aid.

For specific information on residency requirements, visit our [SC Residency Information](#) page.

### Fall 2024 Scholarship Updates:

[Education and Accounting Majors now eligible for Palmetto Fellows, LIFE scholarship enhancements \(PDF\)](#)

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\*\*Excluding Lottery Tuition Assistance.

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- 3.0 SC UGP GPA

### CONTINUED ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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If a SC HOPE recipient satisfies the above criteria, they move into the LIFE scholarship program beginning in their 2nd academic year





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# Register for an Upcoming Virtual Workshops

## Palmetto Fellows Scholarship In-Depth Workshops



### Homeschool Associations:

- ~~Tuesday, September 23 @ 1:00PM~~

### High Schools:

- ~~Wednesday, September 24 @ 11:00AM~~
- ~~Friday, October 3 @ 10:00AM~~
- Thursday, October 9 @ 2:00PM

Register from the **High School Counselor** webpage!

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