

# A Giles County and New River Community College Partnership



Giles County is the first locality in the New River Valley to participate in the “Access to Community College Education” initiative. ACCE is a public/private partnership that makes college available tuition-free to 2015 graduates from Giles County by covering the cost of tuition for two years at New River Community College. ACCE supports as many students as possible based on student need and funds available for the program. With your support, students will graduate from NRCC prepared to join the workforce or transfer to a four-year university without college debt.

**Please help ensure the successful economic growth of Giles County through the ACCE program.**

## The Facts:

- High School/Private School/Home School students who graduate in 2015 with a 2.5 GPA qualify.
- Students must first apply for financial aid (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) in order to participate.
- The program supports as many eligible students as possible based on financial need and funds available.
- Students will be required to attend an ACCE informational session.
- Student must maintain full-time enrollment of 12 credits in fall/spring semesters.
- Funds will not support more than 15 credits in fall/spring semesters.
- Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA at NRCC.
- Students must pay for their own textbooks.
- Students must enroll in a degree or certificate program that meets federal financial aid requirements.
- Students must take a college success skills course during their first semester enrolled at NRCC.
- Students may not take online courses during the first semester, except “College Success Skills.”
- It is strongly recommended that students do not work the first semester to ensure greater academic success.
- Students are required to participate in one Giles County community service project each semester.
- Donors will be recognized via avenues such as banners at Giles County athletic events, high school graduates’ t-shirts, newspapers and more.
- Donors are asked to commit by December 1, 2014, for the Class of 2015.
- Upon funding, a kickoff announcement at the high schools will be held upon the return from winter break.

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