

WHAT IS THE NOYCE PROGRAM?

The National Science Foundation Robert Noyce Scholarship Program is named for a pioneer of semiconductor development and founder of the semiconductor industry. The Program seeks to increase the number of basic education teachers with strong content knowledge in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

WHEN DOES THE PROGRAM BEGIN?

Funding for this program in Pennsylvania was awarded September 1, 2005 and will expire August 31, 2009, or when all funds are expended, whichever comes first. **The deadline for scholarship or stipend applications is April 20 or October 20 each year.** Recipients of awards will be announced in either early January or early June.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A SCHOLARSHIP AND A STIPEND?

Scholarships are for current junior or senior undergraduate students or graduate students. Awards may range from \$7,500 - 10,000 per year for up to two years. Scholarship recipients are required to teach two years in a high need school district for **each** year of scholarship received.

Stipends are intended for college graduates in the work force who are interested in making a career change. Stipend awards can be up to

\$10,000 for one year only. Award may not exceed the cost of attendance. Stipend recipients are required to teach in a high need school district for two years for the one year award.

Scholarships and stipends will be awarded by semester, contingent upon eligibility. All awards will be paid directly to the university financial aid office.

Scholarships and stipends are considered loans that are forgiven upon completion of the required teaching obligation. Awardees who default on meeting their obligations will be required to repay the award.

A list of high need schools will be provided with the Noyce application packet. No guarantee that the list is complete is implied. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the award recipient to confirm the school district's status before accepting employment.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

Applicants may be college juniors or seniors currently completing a science or mathematics degree. These applicants must first earn their initial degree and then complete requirements for secondary science or mathematics teaching certification. Undergraduate students currently seeking their first degree in a teacher education program are NOT eligible to apply for Noyce awards.

Post-baccalaureates who already hold a science or mathematics degree also are eligible if they choose to seek teaching certification in secondary science or mathematics.

Certification to teach must be earned through a PA State System University within two years of the award.

All individuals seeking PA certification must meet the PA requirements for entering and exiting a certification program.

WHAT ARE MY OBLIGATIONS?

You must be a full time student to receive the award and maintain a GPA of at least a 3.0. As an award recipient you will be expected to pursue an ongoing program of professional development, including service to your Math and Science Center. You also will be expected to maintain an active web site which publicizes your activities, contributions and progress.

WHERE DO I GET AN APPLICATION or HAVE FURTHER QUESTIONS?

Applications may be obtained from the following:

- designated Noyce Contact person at each University¹,
- CareerLink Offices across PA,
- PASSHE Foundation Office², Harrisburg,
- or the following websites:

www.thepafoundation.org/scholarships/
www.cetp-pa.iup.edu

¹See the back of this brochure for this information.

²PA State System of Higher Education Foundation Office: 717-720-4065

Questions should be directed to the PA State System of Higher Education Foundation Office

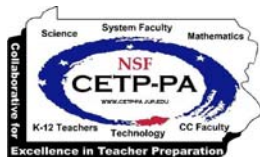
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