A+ CONTRACT

2012-2013

Student Name:

Student ID Number: Date:

As a participant in the Missouri A+ Schools Scholarship Program, I understand and agree to the following program guidelines.

A+ Students:

1. Must provide proof of A+ eligibility using a high school transcript designated for an A+ graduate

2. Must complete a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) every award year and, if selected for verification, must submit all required verification documents to the Student Financial Services Office; the FAFSA for an upcoming year is made available on January 1

3. Must declare a program of study upon admission to the College; once a degree is earned in the designated program of study or the maximum timeframe is exceeded, the student is no longer eligible for A+ funding; a student who has earned a certificate may progress to the AAS Degree for the same program of study and receive A+ funds, as long as A+ eligibility still remains

4. Must enroll fulltime and remain enrolled and in attendance for the entire semester; exceptions will only be made for students with documented disabilities and for those students with proof that there are not enough courses remaining in their degree program to enroll fulltime; students may begin initial enrollment at Jefferson College during any semester/term; full-time is:

   Fall semester: 12 credit hours
   Spring semester: 12 credit hours
   Summer semester: 6 credit hours

   (Please note: A+ students are not required to attend during the summer term)

5. Must cover the cost of attendance if at any point in the semester the student is reported as a no-show in any course which reduces the student’s status to less than fulltime; A+ funding for the semester will be lost

6. Must use federal grant funds to pay tuition first; A+ will pay remaining tuition not covered by federal grant funds

7. Must cover the cost of lab fees, technology fees, program specific fees, course supplies, uniforms, textbook costs, and miscellaneous expenses such as parking and graduation fees; A+ funds can only be used for tuition

8. Must complete the hours required for the program in which the student is currently enrolled within a 105% time frame; once a student has completed the maximum number of hours allowed for the program of study, eligibility terminates; eligibility is reviewed at the end of each semester

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9. May NOT use A+ funds to cover the cost of withdrawn courses; if a student earns a “W”, the student is responsible for repaying the cost of the course, since A+ requires completion of all coursework; students should always discuss the consequences of dropping a course with Student Financial Services staff.

10. May NOT repeat coursework using A+ funds, unless a “W” was issued; if an “F” is earned and the student wishes to retake the course, the student must pay for the repeated course using funds other than A+

11. Must maintain a cumulative 2.5 grade point average or above at all times; courses completed while in high school such as dual credit are not calculated in the cumulative grade point average.

   Initial A+ Students:
   - Must be new to attending an A+ eligible institution
   - Must be A+ eligible
   - Will be reviewed for the A+ 2.5 g.p.a. and satisfactory academic progress requirement at the end of the spring semester.

   Renewed A+ Students:
   - Will be reviewed for A+ eligibility every semester

12. Must maintain satisfactory academic progress toward completion of his/her program of study every semester; satisfactory academic progress includes a 67% completion rate; satisfactory academic progress will be measured at the end of each semester, including summer term.

13. Must submit official transcripts from all previous post-secondary institutions attended, including final grades to receive A+ funding; transfer students from A+ eligible institutions must earn a 2.5 cumulative grade point average at previously attended institutions to receive A+ funding and must be degree-seeking at Jefferson College; transfer students from non-A+ eligible institutions that are initial A+ students must be meeting satisfactory academic progress to receive A+ funding and must be degree-seeking at Jefferson College; A+ may not be used for only one semester by a "visiting student" who will return to his/her previous college or university to complete their degree.

14. Must utilize A+ funds within 48 months of high school graduation; A+ eligibility will expire at the end of the 48 months, the receipt of an Associate’s Degree, or completion of 105% of a program of study, whichever occurs first.

Sign and Return to:
Student Financial Services
1000 Viking Drive, Hillsboro, MO 63050

I have read and understand the Missouri A+ Schools Program guidelines set forth in this contract. I understand that failure to meet the criteria specified in this contract makes me responsible for payment of all semester charges incurred.

Printed Name of Student ____________________________ Signature of Student ____________________________ Date ____________________________