

VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION  
The Ruby and John Sullivan Scholarship  
Sullivan Scholars

**STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP**

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The Scholarship, established by Mrs. Ruby Sullivan in honor of her son John, will be awarded to an outstanding education major. This scholarship will provide the recipient with a stipend that will assist with tuition and expenses. The scholarship can be renewed for an additional year if the student is progressing successfully in his/her major. Upon graduation, if the student takes a teaching job in one of the rural counties listed below, he/she will receive the stipend amount for two additional years to assist in supporting his/her efforts to “give back” by teaching in a rural community. Criteria for application include the following:

1. The recipient must be pursuing a bachelor’s degree in a teacher education program.
2. The recipient must have been admitted into the teacher education program.
3. The recipient must have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher.
4. Financial need will be an important criterion considered, but this factor alone will not determine the scholarship award.
5. Students eligible for this scholarship must come from a rural area, with a poverty rate 50% below the state poverty level. See list of eligible counties below.
6. Students coming from Mitchell County will be given additional consideration for this scholarship.
7. Interested applicants should submit the application provided on the following page. Please fill in the appropriate information, print the application, attach the requested documentation, and deliver the packet to the COE Dean’s Office/Attention Dr. Karla Hull. Only complete application packets will be considered.

**The application must be received no later than March 1**

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**Students must come from one of the counties listed below.**

US	United States	46,215,956	15.3
GA	Georgia	1,698,004	18.0
GA	Stewart County	1,663	38.1
GA	Calhoun County	1,834	36.8
GA	Atkinson County	3,018	36.3
GA	Clay County	1,109	35.7

GA	Dougherty County	31,930	35.1
GA	Bulloch County	22,553	34.3
GA	Clarke County	35,801	33.3
GA	Wheeler County	1,810	33.2
GA	Hancock County	2,618	33.1
GA	Burke County	7,574	32.9
GA	Telfair County	4,384	32.9
GA	Macon County	4,029	31.7
GA	Sumter County	9,441	30.6
GA	Washington County	5,878	30.6
GA	Johnson County	2,505	30.5
GA	Taliaferro County	514	30.3
GA	Wilcox County	2,171	30.0
GA	Crisp County	6,836	29.9
GA	Treutlen County	1,925	29.6
GA	Emanuel County	6,410	29.5
GA	Mitchell County	6,242	29.3
GA	Terrell County	2,644	29.3
GA	Jefferson County	4,734	28.9
GA	Jenkins County	2,376	28.9
GA	Quitman County	726	28.9
GA	Grady County	6,974	28.1
GA	Toombs County	7,577	28.1
GA	Tattnall County	5,800	28.0
GA	Turner County	2,410	28.0
GA	Ben Hill County	4,838	27.9
GA	Charlton County	2,894	27.9
GA	Warren County	1,582	27.7
GA	Early County	2,978	27.6
GA	Randolph County	2,036	27.6
GA	Seminole County	2,365	27.5
GA	Greene County	4,330	27.4
GA	Baldwin County	11,130	27.0
GA	Echols County	1,086	27.0
GA	Thomas County	11,596	26.4
GA	Colquitt County	11,742	26.2
GA	Baker County	884	26.0



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**Full Name and (Preferred Name):**

**VSU Student ID#:**

**E-mail Address:**

**Mailing Address:**

**Local Phone Number or Cell Number:**

**Spouse or Parent's Name:**

**Spouse or Parent's Address (including county):**

**County of Residence During High School:**

**Cumulative GPA:**

**Major:**

**Anticipated Graduation Date:**

**Career discussion:** Write a one-page, double-spaced description of the reasons why you chose to become an educator and discuss your career goals.

**Education Needs in Rural Communities:** Write a one-page, double-spaced description that responds to the following question:

1. What skills do you possess that might enhance educational opportunities for students living in poverty in rural schools?

**Financial Need:** Write a half-page description of your financial status. Be very specific about your financial need. In addition, print and attach the Award Package by Aid Year printout which can be accessed through Banner by logging in, clicking Student and Financial Aid, clicking Financial Aid, and clicking My Award Information. This report should include AID YEAR of the current academic year.