

# BY – LAWS AND STANDARDS OF THE BLADEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

### **Program Description**

The Ambassador Program is designed to enable worthy students to gain leadership skills as they represent the college at functions both on-campus and in the community. After selection and training, Ambassadors will receive stipends for tuition, books, and fees, as well as, two golf shirts, 1pair of chino pants or skirt, and a nametag. The term of service for Ambassadors is one year, beginning with the Fall Semester and ending with the Spring Semester. Those selected will sign a contract committing to the program.

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Bladen Community College Ambassador Program is twofold:

- To represent Bladen Community College at selected events both on campus and in the surrounding community.
- To develop student leadership and civic responsibility.

#### **Selection Process**

Four Ambassadors will be selected from among the student body based on applications, nominations, and interviews.

- Applications should be completed by April 15th of each year and selections for the following year will be made before April 30<sup>th</sup>. (A student may serve a second-year term but he/she will have to repeat the application process.)
- Nominations must be completed and received by the Foundation office by April15th of each year.
- Interviews will be conducted prior to April 30<sup>th</sup>. More than one interview may be required during the selection process.

### **Requirements for Selection**

Prospective Ambassadors must meet the following criteria:

- Will have completed 12 semester hours on campus at Bladen Community College with a GPA of 2.5 or better by the end of the semester in which application is made.
- Complete an Ambassador Program application. Secure three nominations and either submit along with the application or send under separate cover to the Foundation office for submission to the Ambassador Selection Committee. It is the applicant's responsibility to make certain these nominations have been received by April 15<sup>th</sup>.

- Make themselves available for interviews with the Ambassador Selection Committee at a time, convenient for all during the selection process.
- Carry a minimum of 12 semester hours each term.

### **Obligations of Service**

Upon selection to the program, Ambassadors must commit to the following obligations:

- Complete an orientation and leadership program, public speaking and social etiquette training specifically designed for Ambassadors.
- Sign a contract for two semesters' service as an Ambassador.
- Meet event attendance requirement standards throughout the year.
- Pay back financial assistance money if service obligations are not completed by the end of the current semester.
- Conduct themselves, at all times, in a manner that will reflect favorably on Bladen Community College and the Ambassador Program.

## **Benefits of Service**

Ambassadors will receive the following benefits per year from the college and/or the program for their services:

- \$1000 for tuition, books, and fees for service in good standing.
- Magnetic Ambassador Name tag.
- Two golf shirts.
- One pair of khaki pants.
- Training in public speaking and social etiquette.
- Leadership training.

### **Removal from Program**

Ambassadors will be removed from the program if they fail to:

- Maintain an overall grade point average of 2.5 or better.
- Maintain full time student status or equivalency.
- Meet minimum event attendance requirements.
- Meet responsibilities assigned by the Ambassador Advisor.
- Maintain good standing on campus and in the community.
- Removal from the program will be made at the discretion of the Advisor to the Ambassador Program.