

**STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT
BETWEEN SWEET BRIAR COLLEGE
AND THE VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM**

This agreement is designed to facilitate the transfer of students from the Virginia Community College System (VCCS) to Sweet Briar College (SBC) for the purpose of entering a bachelor's degree program.

SECTION 1: ACADEMIC TERMS

1. Upon receipt of a completed application and an official transcript SBC will guarantee automatic admission to students graduating from a Virginia community college with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher (as shown on the VCCS transcript) in a transfer-oriented degree. Transfer-oriented degrees include the Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Arts and Sciences, as well as General Studies associate degrees that has been approved by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) as transfer degrees according to the State Committee on Transfer (see website at <http://www.schev.edu/Students/GeneralStudiesWebText.pdf>).
2. VCCS students admitted to SBC will have all transferable academic credits accepted at full value. Credits earned at accredited institutions other than a Virginia community college to satisfy the transfer-oriented degree will be treated on an equal basis as credits earned from Virginia Community Colleges. No distinction will be made by SBC regarding college courses applicable to the transfer-oriented associate degrees that are taken through dual enrollment arrangements with high schools. Completion of the associate degree through dual enrollment will not preclude the student from eligibility under this agreement.
3. VCCS graduates can expect to graduate with a baccalaureate degree after the successful completion of a minimum of 60 credits at SBC.
4. SBC will develop a transfer guide for use by counselors, faculty and students throughout the VCCS. This guide will be reviewed and updated on a regular basis and provided to VCCS colleges for use in advising. SBC will provide academic advising when requested for any student considering transfer to SBC.
5. The application fee usually charged by Sweet Briar College will be waived, provided all application materials are submitted by July 1 for fall term enrollment and November 15 for spring term enrollment.

SECTION 2: RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The VCCS will notify students of transfer opportunities to SBC under this GAA by posting links to the agreement on the VCCS Transfer Website and the Virginia Education Wizard.
2. SBC will treat all VCCS graduates admitted under the terms of this agreement on an equal basis with native students with regard to award and distribution of financial aid and other scholarships, campus housing, parking, selection of courses and other student services.
3. SBC will provide tracking data on performance of GAA students at SBC, including credits presented and accepted in transfer, SBC courses attempted and completed, cumulative GPA, major, graduation date from SBC, and comparisons with native students. The specific data

elements and the timing of the report will be determined by Institutional Research staffs from the VCCS and SBC and provided by July 1 of each year.

SECTION 3: REVIEW OF THE AGREEMENT

1. Any changes, additions, or deletions to this agreement shall be made only after consultation with and agreement among officials at both institutions.
2. The agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon written notice. Such notice should be given at least one year in advance of the effective date of termination, and students who entered under the agreement may take advantage of its terms for two years after termination becomes effective.
3. The above provisions are mutually agreed to and shall go into effect when signed by the appropriate institutional representatives. The terms of this agreement supersede the terms of the 2005 guaranteed admission agreement.