Hidden Promise Scholars
Unlocking Appalachia’s “Hidden Promise.”
Opening doors for West Virginia’s youth.

We shape new Pioneers through inspiration, leadership, and community service.
Scholars in grades 9 through 12 receive the following benefits through the Hidden Promise Program:

- Hidden Promise Scholars receive a T-shirt, HPS Certificate, HPS ID Card, and HPS Lanyard upon entry into the program.
- Scholars are allowed entry to any athletic event or fine arts performance hosted by GSC.*
- Scholars are allowed access to GSC Library services, both in-person and online, including all academic databases, research tools, and free downloadable material.
- Scholars and their families are invited to exclusive HPS events at GSC.
- Scholars are provided a GSC Ambassador to inform them of HPS Events and to help with the transition to college life.
- Scholars are granted exclusive access to HPS Summer Camps, with possible scholarships available with proof of financial need.

Scholars who choose to continue their education at Glenville State College receive the following benefits:

- GSC Hidden Promise Scholars receive an annual award in the amount of $1000, to be renewed as long as the Scholar is in compliance. See requirements to the right.
- Scholars have exclusive access to services provided by HPS Staff.
- HPS Staff are available to assist with academic recovery, degree audits, academic counseling, grade monitoring, appeals assistance, and overall direct student advocacy.
- Scholars are granted first access to the Success Seminars offered by the ASC.
- Scholars receive special recognition upon graduation, and are eligible for additional awards and accolades through the HPS Program.
- GSC HPS have a higher rate of retention and graduation than the average WV student. **

Scholars attending GSC must comply with the following:

- Scholars are nominated into the program by high school counselors, school administration, or county personnel.
- Scholars must be first-generation college students with a financial need.
- Scholars must maintain Standard Academic Progress, which consists of a 2.0 GPA and full-time enrollment.
- HPS Freshmen and those with a GPA less than 2.5 must attend weekly tutoring.
- Scholars must complete three hours of HPS community service per semester.
- Scholars must attend two Student Success Seminars, hosted by the GSC Academic Success Center, per semester.
- Scholars must attend all mandatory dinners, ceremonies, or celebrations.
- All Scholars must check-in with HPS Staff at an interval to be decided by the HPS Coordinator.

*Some restrictions apply. **Based on data compiled by HPS Staff from 2007-2016.