Have you attended any other colleges during the 2012-2013 Academic Year?  

YES or NO

If yes, list colleges and Financial Aid received: __________________________________________

Certifications

- I understand that due to FERPA regulations my financial aid information including my award cannot be given to anyone other than myself. Only limited information can be given over the phone or by e-mail. Specific account information can be accessed via my Pathway account at www.ptc.edu.

- I certify that I am not in default on any Title IV (Federal) student loan nor do I owe a refund on awards from a federal grant for attendance at any school.

- I further certify that I will promptly notify the Financial Aid Office of any additional aid that I receive and of any questions I have about my award or contents of the award letter.

- I understand that it is my responsibility to be knowledgeable of the requirements to retain the financial assistance given, both federal and state, and the information contained in the college catalog regarding financial aid including the Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy.

- Aid will not cover classes that are dropped from my class schedule nor will it cover any type of audit. Aid adjustments are made after notification of a student’s change in enrollment hours. I understand that I must notify the Financial Aid Office on the same day that I drop a class in order to adjust the financial aid on my account. Failure to do this could result in an overpayment on my account. I also understand that the federal earned aid policy may require me to repay all or a portion of my federal aid if I withdraw from all classes before completing 60% of the semester.

- Initially PELL will be awarded 50/50 for fall and spring terms as a full time student. However, a PELL recipient who does not attend one semester (fall or spring) or enrolls in less than full time one or both semesters should be eligible to receive PELL funds for the summer term. If enrolled full time for fall and spring semesters, no PELL funds will remain for the summer. If you meet the eligibility requirements, lottery funds should be available to assist with tuition expenses for the summer term. Because lottery only funds a portion of tuition costs, it will be the student’s responsibility to budget funds for the summer term.

Title IV Authorization

Federal regulations regarding the use of Title IV financial aid funds awarded to students provide that an institution may directly credit Title IV awards to a student’s account at the institution to satisfy current charges for tuition and fees. Additionally, students may authorize the College to deduct any allowable non-institutional charges from a student’s Title IV funds. Allowable Non-Institutional Charges include such items as late registration fees, parking fines, library fines, and parking permits.

This is a voluntary authorization and is valid for the length of time that you are eligible and receiving Title IV Financial Aid Funds at Piedmont Technical College. This authorization may be rescinded in writing at any time for future disbursements.

_____ Yes – Please apply all allowable non-institutional charges to my Title IV award.

_____ No – I understand that I will pay all outstanding allowable non-institutional charges and previous balances out of my pocket and do not want it to be deducted from my Title IV disbursement.

I have read and understand the above conditions.

________________________________________  ____________________________
Student Signature  Date
This certification is used by the Financial Aid Office to determine eligibility for the SC Need-Based Grant. The FAFSA and financial aid process must be completed before eligibility can be determined. Each question must be answered for the application to be complete. If you are unable to complete, please speak with a financial aid counselor regarding your alternatives.

Please answer the following questions:

1. Have you completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)?  ( ) Yes  ( ) No
2. Are you a resident of South Carolina?  ( ) Yes  ( ) No
3. Do you have a two-year or four-year degree?  ( ) Yes  ( ) No
4. Do you have a criminal record and/or have been convicted of a felony?  ( ) Yes  ( ) No
5. Will you be enrolling in at least 6 semester hours per semester?  ( ) Yes  ( ) No
6. Do you have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 (“C”) or above?  ( ) Yes  ( ) No
7. Have you received the South Carolina Need Based Grant at other institutions?  ( ) Yes  ( ) No

   If yes, how many terms ________________ at __________________ college/university

8. Have you received the LIFE Scholarship at other institutions?  ( ) Yes  ( ) No

   If yes, which year ________________ and how many terms? _____________

Required Certification

This certifies that I, ______________________________ (please print your full name) am a resident of South Carolina based on Statue 59-112, I certify that I have not been convicted of any felonies. Further, I certify that I have not been convicted of a second offense alcohol or drug related misdemeanor during the preceding calendar year defined as 12 months from the date of the start of school for the period of this award. If I am adjudicated delinquent or am convicted or pled guilty or nolo contendere to any felonies or any alcohol or drug related second offense misdemeanors under the laws of this or any other state, I agree to notify the Financial Aid Office by the start of school. I hereby give permission for a background check to be conducted to verify the above. I understand that additional information may be requested after the background check has been conducted. I also affirm that I am presently not in default on any Federal or State student loans nor do I owe any refunds to any Federal or State financial aid programs.

Any false information provided by the student or any attempt to expend any grant funds for unlawful purposes or any purpose other than in payment or reimbursement for the cost of attendance at the institution authorized to award the grant will be cause for immediate cancellation. Any student who obtained a grant through means of willfully false statement or failure to reveal any material fact, condition or circumstances affecting eligibility will be subject to applicable civil or criminal penalties, including retroactive loss of the grant.

As a State Need Based Grant recipient, I certify that I have not received the grant for more than eight (8) full-time equivalent terms. If you have questions regarding the number of terms you have been awarded a State Need Based Grant, please contact your financial aid office.

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Name PTC ID

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Date