Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois is seeking students who have earned the College and Career Pathway Endorsement (CCPE) in Education. New! Any student who earns the Education Pathway Endorsement, applies to Golden Apple, and meets the eligibility requirements will be automatically considered a finalist and invited to an interview. The opportunity to become a finalist and move straight to the interview is significant as it moves CCPE students to the top 20% of the applicant pool.

Golden Apple Scholars is a teacher preparation program providing tuition assistance and mentorship to support the development and success of new, highly effective and diverse teachers for Illinois schools-of-need. Golden Apple Scholars receive:

- Up to $23,000 in financial assistance, inclusive of paid Scholar Institutes to attend a partner university or college
- Extensive classroom teaching experience
- Academic and social-emotional support
- Job placement assistance
- Mentoring from our award-winning teaching faculty

97% of Golden Apple Scholars find employment in schools-of-need after graduation AND can teach in any county in Illinois!

Two Steps to Becoming a Golden Apple Finalist

1. Complete the general application online at goldenapple.org/scholars. On the question that asks if you received mentoring from any college readiness programs, select “College and Career Pathway Endorsement.”

2. After completing the application, Golden Apple will follow-up to request either your high school transcript with the College and Career Pathway Endorsement in Education or a letter from your school stating you are on track to receive the endorsement.

Questions? Contact scholars@goldenapple.org!