

2018

Kankakee Area Career Center Student Scholarship Fund

The primary purpose of the Kankakee Area Career Center (KACC) is to meet the advanced career and technical education needs of the regional high school students. With this in mind, KACC developed the Student Scholarship.

The scholarship fund was established to assist a graduating high school senior to continue his/her education at a university, college, trade or vocational school, or assist them in the initial purchase of tools for an apprenticeship program.

The Scholarship awards are made possible through donations and funds raised at the annual KACC Golf Outing. Without a doubt, the administration, faculty, staff and students of KACC thank our local businesses, community members, educational partners, and student families for their continued support of this event and the scholarship fund.

Scholarship recipients are announced in May at KACC's annual Student Recognition Night. Winners are also invited to attend, volunteer and be introduced at the annual KACC Golf Outing. The next KACC Golf Outing will be held June 4th at the Kankakee Country Club.

Eligibility:

- Eligible applicants include any high school senior attending KACC
- Applicants must have maintained a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average at KACC through the seventh semester of high school.

The recipient will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Positive leadership and character exhibited in both academic arena and Skills USA extracurricular activity. Skills USA participation may be either in the form of competition events or through classroom PDP activities.
- Positive leadership and character exhibited in community activities.
- Professionalism and positive employability skills exhibited, including the applicant having a positive impact on others within his/her class and within in internship program (if applicable).
- Provide clear and concise communication of both career and personal goals following the applicant's graduation from high school and KACC.
- Information provided within application, i.e.: Completed Application, Personal Narrative, Portfolio, Transcripts and letters of recommendation.

Requirements:

Student must complete and attach the following **by April 13, 2018:**

- Application Form
- **Typed** narrative which includes:
 - career and educational plans,
 - goals for the future,
 - awards, accomplishments,
 - volunteer/community activities, etc.
- Official copy of current high school transcripts
- KACC Curriculum Portfolio
- Two letters of reference
 - One from their teacher at KACC
 - One from a teacher/administrator/counselor at their home school

2018 Scholarship Awards & Guidelines:

- Scholarship award will be given as follows:
 - Scholarship funds in the amount of \$6,000 are available for the 2018 Awards. First Place winner will receive an amount of \$1,500, two second-place awards of \$1,000 each, two third-place awards of \$750 each and, two fourth-place awards at \$500.00 each. Final award determination is the responsibility of the Scholarship Committee. This committee is comprised of persons from administration, faculty and staff from the Kankakee Area Career Center.
- Awards may be used for school tuition, books or career tools needed for college course/apprenticeship.
- The recipients must produce receipts for tuition, books and/or tools to receive funds.
- Awards must be used within 18 months of the recipient's graduation.

Application Deadline:

- Friday, April 13, 2018.
- Submit application to Mrs. Argyelan in the main office.

Selection/Award Process:

- Applications will be reviewed by selection committee and announced at the Student Recognition Ceremony on May 10th, at Kankakee Community College.
- Questions concerning this scholarship are to be directed to Director Kelley, Principal Guerin or Mrs. Argyelan.

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**Official 2018 Scholarship Application
Deadline: April 14, 2018**

Please type or print neatly, and affix this form to your personal narrative, letters of recommendation, official school transcripts and completed portfolio.

I: STUDENT INFORMATION

Name _____
Last First Middle Initial

Address _____
Street / P.O. Box
_____ City State Zip Code

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Home School _____

KACC Course _____ Number of years in course _____

Date of Graduation _____

Applicant Signature Date

II. LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Attach ***two*** letters of recommendation, (one from your KACC instructor and one from a faculty or staff member at your home school) Letters must include the following:

- Applicant's name
- Name, title and signature of person providing reference
- Relationship to applicant
- Statement regarding applicant's scholarship, character and abilities
- Date

III. ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

- Copy of current high school transcripts
- Completed KACC Portfolio

IV. **APPLICANT'S NARRATIVE** –

Don't forget! - Be sure your name is located at the top of your narrative.

Attach a personal narrative (*typed*) which includes the following:

- Career and education plan
- Goals for the future
- Awards, academic achievements and extracurricular participation in school
- Examples of character, leadership, and personal involvement in community service.