2022

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 Monday, June 6 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.

The recipient will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Positive leadership and character exhibited in both academic arena, in any workplace experience setting.
- 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.
- Complete application submitted, in full, electronically.

Requirements:

Student must complete and email the following by April 22, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.:

- Application Form
- Narrative which includes:
 - career and educational plans,
 - > goals for the future,
 - > awards, accomplishments,
 - volunteer/community activities, etc.
- Official copy of current high school transcripts emailed directly to: goreckia@kacc.org
- KACC Electronic Curriculum Portfolio
- Two letters of reference
 - ➤ One from <u>official instructor</u> at KACC <u>Teacher assistant letters</u> will not be accepted, it must be from lead instructor.
 - One from a teacher/administrator/counselor at student's home school

2022 Scholarship Awards & Guidelines:

- Scholarship award will be given as follows:
 - Scholarship funds in the amount of \$4,000 are available for the 2021 Awards. First Place winner will receive an amount of \$1,500, second-place will receive \$1,000, third-place award is \$750, fourth-place award is \$500, and fifth place is \$250. Final award determination is the responsibility of the Scholarship Committee. This committee is comprised of persons who are from our local business community and do not include any KACC administration, faculty or staff.
- Awards may be used for school tuition, books or career-related tools needed for college course/apprenticeship/employment.
- The recipients must produce receipts for tuition, books and/or tools to receive funds.
- Awards must be used within 12 months of the recipient's graduation from KACC/Home District.

Application Deadline:

- Friday, April 22, 2022 at 2:30 p.m.
- Submit application and completed electronic portfolio/documentation to Ms. Gorecki at goreckia@kacc.org.

Selection/Award Process:

- Applications will be reviewed by selection committee and announced at the *Student Recognition Ceremony traditionally held in mid-May*.
- Questions concerning this scholarship are to be directed KACC Director Kelley, Principal Guerin or Ms. Gorecki.