



MEMORANDUM

TO: Area High Schools

FROM: Scott Arnold
General Manager/Exec. VP

DATE: December 2, 2011

SUBJECT: Scholarship Applications

Please find enclosed RCRTC's scholarship applications for qualified high school seniors. These applications are due back to the cooperative office no later than February 3, 2012. Please remind students to include transcripts and signed letters of recommendation with the application. The winners will be announced at the Annual Meeting in April of 2012.

Should you require additional information, feel free to contact Nancy Gentry at 226-2255.

Thank you!

**ROOSEVELT COUNTY RURAL TELEPHONE EDUCATION FOUNDATION
SCHOLARSHIP FUND
HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS**

OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Roosevelt County Rural Telephone Education Foundation scholarship fund is to assist those individuals who desire to further their education and who desire to acquire the knowledge and skills to be better prepared to participate in the future employment marketplace. It is intended that the RCRT scholarships encourage individuals to demonstrate civic responsibility and scholastic achievement.

A one (1) year scholarship for \$500.00, subject to confirmation that the requirement of grade point and enrollment as a full time student have been met.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Available to members living within the RCRTC service area and receiving service from RCRTC (Have telephone service with prefixes: 253, 276, 274, 273, 477, 478, 675, or 482) and their immediate families.
2. Applicants must be in the current year graduating class of an accredited public or private high school within the RCRTC service area or have obtained a New Mexico GED or equivalent.
3. Applicants should desire to enter a college, university, or trade school.
4. This is a one year scholarship. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of funds available and the applicant's eligibility. Applicant must maintain above average grades (at least a 2.5 on a 4.0 scale) and must demonstrate acceptable standards of citizenship and character.

SELECTION

Selections for the Scholarship Awards each year will be based on these criteria:

1. Grades in secondary school.
2. Community and other civic activities.
3. Leadership and character qualities.

4. Typed or Handwritten Essay.

Selections will be made by RCRT Education Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee.

PROCEDURES

Submit the RCRT Scholarship Application to Scott Arnold, P.O. Box 867, Portales, New Mexico 88130 or bring to the office. The following documents must be received in RCRTC office by 4:00 p.m. February 3, 2012.

1. Completed and signed RCRT Scholarship Application.
2. Provide a copy of the applicant's high school scholastic record with cumulative grade point average and ACT score. **(GPA FIGURED THROUGH FIRST SEMESTER OF SENIOR YEAR.) (RANK IN CLASS FIGURED THROUGH FIRST SEMESTER OF SENIOR YEAR.)**
3. Provide two personal signed recommendations of the applicant by the principal and/or teacher of the secondary school from which the applicant is being graduated or from an official, civic, or religious leader of the community in which the applicant resides.
4. Provide a one page or less typed or handwritten essay how this scholarship will aid you in your educational goals.
5. **PLEASE NOTE THAT ACT TEST SCORES ARE VERY IMPORTANT AND POINTS ARE GIVEN FOR THIS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

My high school & extracurricular activities and number of years involved include:

Community Involvement and number of years involved _____

The College, University, Trade School, etc. I am currently applying to: _____

Contemplated field of study: _____

- I have attached:
- Application and essay
 - My scholastic record and ACT score
 - Two personal signed recommendations by principal and/or teacher or official, civic leader or religious leader in the community

(All documents must be attached or application will not be considered.) MUST BE IN OUR OFFICE BY 4:00 P.M. FEBRUARY 3, 2012.

I also agree to permit the review of this application and transcripts by anyone representing the scholarship foundation.

Date: _____ Signed: _____
(Applicant)

(Parent/Legal Guardian Signature)

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