

Riverside County Office of Education Foundation (RCOEF) STEM Scholarship Application

Name and Contact Information:

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Initial _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Cell Phone Number _____ Home Phone Number _____ School District _____

Email Address _____ Name of Your High School _____ Date _____

Please check which major in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM) you are pursuing in college:

Business

Management Information Systems

Computer and Information Services

Computer Programming

Computer Science

Information Systems

Information Technology

Mathematics

Applied Mathematics

Mathematics

Statistics

Engineering

Bioengineering

Chemical Engineering

Civil Engineering

Engineering

Electrical and Communication

Industrial Engineering

Materials Engineering

Mechanical Engineering

Nuclear Engineering

Software Engineering

Nano Engineering

Engineering Technology

Computer Engineering Technology

Construction Technology

Drafting and Design Technology

Electrical Engineering Technology

Mechanical Engineering Technology

Surveying Technology

Telecommunications Technology

Natural Resources and Conservation

Environmental Sciences

Environmental Studies

Forestry

National Resources and Conservation

Wildlife and Wilderness Management

Physical Sciences

Applied Physics

Applied Chemistry

Chemistry

Geology/Earth Science

Geophysics

Physics

Comprehensive Science

College/University Information:

Name of College/University: _____

Please check one (2-year or 4-year college): 2-Year 4-Year. Please check one (public or private college): Public Private

Address of College _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Career Goal:

I have attached the following documents to complete my scholarship application packet:

Personal Essay

Activities/Accomplishment Résumé

Letter of Recommendation or Scholarship Evaluation Form

Scholarship Application

Grade Transcripts

Student Certification:

I certify that the information contained in this application is true and complete. I authorize RCOEF to share this application and the contents with the RCOEF Scholarship Committee, Scholarship Donors and/or other screening committees. I also understand that if I am awarded a scholarship, information about me may be released for publicity purposes, to fulfill funding requirements, and for recognition to RCOEF. I also understand that I am required to attend the scholarship awards ceremony as determined by my scholarship and/or donor.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

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Required Information for Scholarship Packet**

The following criteria are required in order to apply for the scholarship (documentation will be needed for the scholarship application):

- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.5 (grade transcripts required)
- High School Diploma by June 2019
- College Acceptance Letter or Enrollment Confirmation by June 30, 2019

Personal Essay

The RCOEF STEM Scholarship application requires a personal essay. The personal essay is the most important part of your application. It will help the Scholarship Committee gain a complete picture of you. This is your chance to let the Scholarship Committee or Donor know why you feel you should be a recipient of a RCOEF STEM Scholarship.

Be sure to include your name. Please use a font and format that is easy to read. The items you will want to include in your essay are as follows:

- Your educational and career goals
- Any life experiences which have influenced this decision
- Your anticipated role in society after your education career goals have been achieved
- How the scholarship will help you or any unusual circumstances which may affect your current financial situation
- Anything else you feel the Scholarship Committee or Donor needs to know about you in order to present yourself as the best candidate for the scholarship
- If you are a recipient of this scholarship please state how you would “pay it forward” (help others)

Activities/Accomplishments Résumé

The Scholarship Committee and/or Donors would like to know about your extra-curricular activities and accomplishments. Please include your resume listing them in resume style with headings, dates, etc. For example, list honors and accolades, accomplishments, awards, community involvement, service and volunteer actions, student activities, school and club involvement, sports participation, hobbies, etc.

Letter of Recommendation or Scholarship Evaluation Form

Ask at least one individual to complete. This information needs to be completed by an individual who can attest to your current academic strength and potential for success.

Recommended sources are instructors, academic advisors, counselors, employers, clergy or other known members of the community. Be sure to ask for the recommendation letter from a source that you know will write favorable things about you. A parent, relative, or other student are poor sources for letters of recommendation and will not be considered as valid references.

Scholarship Evaluation Form

Ask at least one individual to complete the scholarship evaluation. The attached evaluation form can be used for your scholarship application. Your Evaluation Form or Letter of Recommendation must be submitted at the same time as you submit your scholarship application package. Please allow your evaluator plenty of time for the evaluation to be completed and returned to you in time to submit with your scholarship application.

Submit application and forms via email or mail to:

Riverside County Office of Education Foundation
Attention Ed Lewis
P.O. Box 868
Riverside, CA 92503
elewis@rcoe.us

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Name of Scholarship Applicant

To the Evaluator: Scholarship applicants must submit an Evaluation Form when applying for scholarships from at least one qualified individual. The Evaluation form *must* include the evaluator's name, title and contact information. The Evaluation Form must be submitted by the applicant at the same time as they submit the scholarship application. Please return the Evaluation to the student in plenty of time for them to meet the deadline. **You may also write a recommendation in letter format if you choose (instead of using this form).**

1. How long have you known the student and in what capacity? _____

2. Please rate the applicant on the following in comparison with other students of the same level:

Exceptional Above Average Average Below Average No Information

- General Academic Ability
- Motivation and Initiative
- Quality of Work
- Willingness to Learn
- Imagination and Creativity
- Dependability/Responsibility
- Social Skills/Leadership Ability
- Potential to Succeed

3. Compared to other students, I would rank this applicant in the top (check one):

1% 5% 10% 25% 50%

4. Overall endorsement of applicant (check one):

Highly Recommend Recommend Recommend with Reservations

5. Please provide additional comments about the applicant (or provide a separate page/letter):

Printed Name

Signature

Title

Date

Email Address

Telephone Number

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Scholarship Selection, Notification and Recognition

Selection

The information on your scholarship application is recognized to be of a confidential nature and when applying you agree that Riverside County Office of Education Foundation (RCOEF) may reveal or forward the contents of your application to the Scholarship Committee members, Scholarship Donors and/or other reviewing committees.

The method of selecting recipients of RCOEF scholarships is determined by the RCOEF Board of Directors. The applications may be reviewed by a donor committee or by the RCOEF Scholarship Committee. The RCOEF Scholarship Committee is made up of Administrators and RCOEF Board and Committee members who are committed to equality and fairness for all applicants.

Scholarship Notification

If you are selected to receive a scholarship from RCOEF you will be notified by email to the email account indicated on your scholarship application.

Scholarship Award Recognition

If you are selected as a recipient, it is very important that you attend the scholarship recognition events.

Scholarship Disbursement

RCOEF Scholarships are disbursed to your college/university.

Remember to Say Thank You!

If you have been awarded a scholarship, it is because your personal qualities and abilities stood above other applicants. As the chosen recipient, sending a thank you letter confirms that the scholarship was important to you. You are a vital part of the Riverside County Office of Education family and your written expression of gratitude is a reflection on all of us at RCOE.

After you are awarded a scholarship from RCOEF, please send your thank you letter to the address listed below. Your letter will be forwarded to the donor of your scholarship.

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