OACEP

OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF CAREER AND EMPLOYMENT PROFESSIONALS

OACEP Opportunity Scholarship
Fall 2014, Spring 2015

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
AND INSTRUCTIONS

OACEP Scholarship Mission Statement

"To recruit and support students whose career goal will provide a path to personal success and economic self-sufficiency."

Due: Received by April 30, 2014

The purpose of OACEP is to provide networking and professional development opportunities for career and employment professionals, job placement specialists and other individuals interested in facilitating self-directed career development to increase the economic viability of individuals and families.

The OACEP Opportunity Scholarship is a $1,000 cash award to be issued to the bursar account of the scholarship recipient in two payments-$500 each semester. The individual selected must provide proof of enrollment in at least six credit hours at an accredited Oklahoma post-secondary institution or part-time (half days) at a technology center. The scholarship will be awarded in the first month of the 2014 Fall semester and the first month of the 2015 Spring semester.

Consideration for the OACEP Opportunity Scholarship requires applicants to submit a complete application, including an essay of no more than 500 words demonstrating interest and/or involvement in a career goal leading to self-sufficiency and listing past accomplishments and activities related to reaching this career choice. Applicants will be rated on how closely they demonstrate a passion and interest in entering employment in their specific area of study.

Scholarship criteria:
- Applicant must be a student attending or applying to an accredited Oklahoma post-secondary institution.
- Applicant must provide a degree or certificate plan, including copy of current transcript.
- Applicant must demonstrate an interest in their specific educational program and career outcome.
- Applicant must enroll in at least six (6) credit hours each semester at a college or at least part-time (half days) at a technology center.
- Resume (may use OKCIS.intocareers.org).
- Application must be received by OACEP by **April 30, 2014.**

Required support materials:
- Essay of less than 500 words describing educational goals, activities, honors, community service, purpose for pursuing higher education, and rationale of why you believe you should be selected for the OACEP Opportunity Scholarship. **Essays longer than 500 words will be disqualified.**
    - Format: double space, one-inch margins, 12 point font, Times New Roman or Arial.
- Degree or certificate plan, from school catalog showing degree /course requirements.
- Resume.
- High School transcript/GED certificate and/or College or Career Tech transcript, min. GPA 2.0.
- Two letters of recommendation from teachers, employers, internship coordinators or other professionals. Letter should support career goal.
- Staple all together to create packet

Additional material will not be considered.

Name:_____ Phone: (_____) _____-_____

Address: _____ City _____ Zip code _____

Email: _____@_____Alternative Phone: (_____) _____-_____

College/Career Tech: _____

Grade Level: _____ College Major or Career Tech Program: _____

I hereby certify that I will be attending a college or career tech center, full or part-time, with the goal of completing a certificate or degree program, that all information on this application is correct, and that I meet all of the required criteria. Any false or misleading statements may invalidate my application. I agree that if I am selected as a scholarship recipient, the Oklahoma Association of Career and Employment Professionals (OACEP) may release relevant information to the public including the news media. I also agree to provide proof of enrollment.

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Signature of Applicant   Date

ACADEMIC STATUS

For first-time-entering freshman:

High School GPA (A= 4.00)_____

For returning or transfer student:

Cumulative Hours Earned_____

GPA_____

Hours Currently Enrolled_____

COMMENTS:_____

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Applications may be mailed to:
Metro Technology Centers
Attn: Adolph Pearson III
BEST Program
1901 Springlake Dr
Oklahoma City, OK 73111-5238

For more information, contact Adolph Pearson III at 405-595-4337 or Adolph.Pearson@Metrotech.edu **.**

Any applications or materials received after April 30, 2014 deadline will not be considered.

OACEP Opportunity Scholarship CHECKLIST
(for applicant use)

_____ Completed Application Form

_____ Essay of no more than 500 Words

_____ Degree or Certificate Plan

_____ Resume

_____ High School (GED), College, and/or Career Tech transcript(s)

_____ 2 Recommendation letters

_____ Received by OACEP the entire stapled packet **by April 30, 2014**