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## NON-TRADITIONAL OR RETURNING STUDENT TECHNICAL OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Owatonna Foundation is pleased to make available \$15,000 to be used to assist individuals who will be attending **non-four year programs at technical or community colleges to prepare themselves for technical careers.** To be eligible, you must have an Owatonna mailing address or have worked at an Owatonna business for at least the past two years and have graduated from high school prior to or with last year's high school graduating class. Scholarship awards will range from \$500 to \$3,000 each.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE:

**October 25—spring semester award**

**June 25—fall semester award**

Please return all scholarship application information to Jill Holmes, Scholarship Coordinator, 1135 Jadden Lane SE, Owatonna, MN 55060.

An anonymous committee will select scholarship recipients. Applicant information will be shared with the Foundation's scholarship committee. Recipients will be notified via mail.

### INFORMATION REQUESTED:

- ◆ Completed application.
- ◆ Response to essay question.
- ◆ **If you are currently enrolled at a postsecondary institution, include an official college transcript.**
- ◆ A letter from one person (preferably a current or former employer and not a family member or school personnel) who will attest to your personal qualifications and indicate why you deserve this scholarship.

### CRITERIA FOR GRANTING SCHOLARSHIPS:

- ◆ Applicant must have an Owatonna mailing address or have worked at an Owatonna business for at least the past two years.
- ◆ Applicant must be a high school graduate or possess a GED. If an applicant has already been accepted to a technical or community college program without a high school diploma or GED, he/she may apply for the scholarship.
- ◆ Applicant must have graduated from high school **prior to or with last year's graduating class.** If not a high school graduate, the class from which the applicant **should have** graduated must have been prior to or with last year's graduating class.
- ◆ First-year students and students currently enrolled in non-four year technical programs who have **at least one full year of credits** remaining are eligible for the scholarship.
- ◆ Applicant may pursue education on a full or part-time basis, but must carry a **minimum of three credits.** **Any** termination of education will result in the loss of remaining scholarship money.
- ◆ Applicant must indicate and display a strong aptitude and desire to succeed in his/her chosen career.
- ◆ Applicant should display a positive attitude and be a good citizen of his/her community.
- ◆ Financial need may be considered, but will not be a major factor in choosing scholarship recipients. (No financial statement is required.)



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**TECHNICAL OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
NON-TRADITIONAL OR RETURNING STUDENT  
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION**

**Applicant Data:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

High school you attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you graduate? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what year: \_\_\_\_\_ If not, last year attended: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you had an Owatonna mailing address or worked at an Owatonna business? \_\_\_\_\_

**Technical/Community College Data:**

Name of technical or community college you plan to attend. (If unknown, please list in order of preference the schools to which applications for admission have been sent.)

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School City State

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Major course of study: \_\_\_\_\_ Career goal: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated date of graduation: Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Currently enrolled? \_\_\_\_\_ How many credits completed? \_\_\_\_\_

Applied for other scholarships: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, scholarships? \_\_\_\_\_

**Work Experience:** Describe your work experience during the past four years. Indicate dates of employment in each job and approximate number of hours worked each week. (You may use another sheet of paper.)

Company/Position	From—Mo./Yr.	To—Mo./Year.	Hours Per Week

**Activities, Awards, and Honors:** List community activities you have participated in since high school. Include club, church, sport, etc. Also include honors and offices held. (You may use another sheet of paper.)

What are your special interests or hobbies? (You may use another sheet of paper.)

**Essay Question:** In 250 words or less, state your career goals, your educational plan, and present evidence that will convince us that you have the aptitude and desire to succeed in your chosen career. (Please use another sheet of paper.)

**Additional Information:** Please share any special personal or financial circumstances that you feel the selection committee should consider.

**Official Transcript:** If you are currently enrolled at a post-secondary institution, include an official transcript with the application.

**Reference:** Ask this person to write a letter and return it to you to be included in the packet. If you prefer they not give it directly to you, they may send it to: Jill Holmes, Scholarship Coordinator, 1135 Jadden Lane SE, Owatonna, MN 55060

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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