Travis and Ridge Career Center
Scholarship Application
2020

Scholarships offered to students completing
Travis or Ridge Career Centers

These awards are administered by the Polk Education Foundation.

Application must be postmarked by February 13, 2020 and sent to:
1530 Shumate Drive
Bartow, FL 33830
(863) 534-0519

***Students can submit to their counselor or school office who can use the
PCSB Courier Route E to submit by the deadline.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE:
Completed application - You will print and complete this application, sign it and attach all the required items listed below. Please secure all items to application with one paperclip.

- Copy of school transcript
- Income information 2019 FAFSA - Student Aid Report (SAR)
- Essay – general/personal

Computer generate or print entire application neatly in black ink.

Name___________________________________________School_____________________________________

Your mailing address________________________________________________________________________

City, ZIP___________________________________Phone_______________________________________

Email address____________________________________________________________________________

Wght.GPA__________
If you live with parents complete below, if not skip to *******

Mother’s
Name____________________________________Employment____________________________________

Father’s
Name____________________________________Employment____________________________________

*******Who do you live with? __________________________________________________________

# people living in your home____________

# of family members attending college including you__________

Your past and Present Employment History__________________________________________________

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Selected college or institution______________________________________________________________

Have you been accepted? __________ Intended major___________________________________________

# of volunteer hours __________

Explain where and how you got those hours _________________________________________________

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List all other scholarships or financial aid for which you have applied and/or received other than those on this form, list scholarship name, amount per year, and if it is received, denied or pending.

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General/Personal Essay – please type or computer generate and attach to scholarship package. Use this essay to provide information requested by each individual scholarship; personal financial need information, college and career plans, and any other information you feel would help in the selection process. Things like medical problems, divorce, and special family situations could all be considered when awarding scholarships. **Most scholarships will be chosen solely on the information contained in this essay, so be specific and state your need clearly.** Honors, awards, clubs, volunteer time, leadership roles and extra-curricular activities may be included in your essay; however, do not send certificates, resumes or other documents as they are discarded and not considered. **Minimum type size 10 point.**

Please check the scholarships for which you qualify to apply for. If a requirement is noted that you must address in your essay, please do not forget to do so (such as required service, intended field of study etc.) Attach any additional essays if required.

**Ridge Career Center Students:**

- **Betty Tucker Inner Wheel Club Scholarship**
  - GPA: 2.00  SAT/ACT: Report  Community service hours: 100
  - Number Awarded: 1  Scholarship Amount: $1,000
  - Distribution: 1-time payment
  - Scholarship Overview: One (1) scholarship of $1,000. Minimum GPA 2.0 and not higher than 3.4. Must have taken the SAT or ACT. Student must have at least 100 community service hours to be eligible to apply.

- **GFWC Four Corners Jr. Woman’s Club Scholarship**
  - GPA: 3.50  SAT/ACT: 1170/26  Community service hours: 100
  - Number Awarded: 1  Scholarship Amount: $1,500
  - Distribution: 1-time payment
  - Scholarship Overview: One (1) scholarship of $1,500. Student must be female. Minimum GPA 3.5. Income is not considered. Minimum SAT/ACT 1170/26. Student must have at least 100 community service hours to be eligible to apply. Preference given to students that held a job during school career. **Additional essay required:** “How does volunteering impact your life?”

- **Justin Bowen Memorial Welding Scholarship**
  - GPA: 2.50  SAT/ACT: Report  Community service hours: 0
  - Number Awarded: 1  Scholarship Amount: $1,000
  - Distribution: 1-time payment
  - Scholarship Overview: One (1) scholarship of $1,000. Minimum GPA 2.5. Student must demonstrate financial need. Must have taken the SAT or ACT. For students in the Ridge Career Center welding program or who will enroll in the Ridge Career Center welding program. Funds may be used for tuition, books or other extraordinary expenses related to program. Funds may be given directly to student upon special arrangement. **Additional essay required:** "How your desire to become a welder is important to you." Selected applicants will be interviewed.
Polk County Builders Foundation Scholarship
GPA: 2.50  SAT/ACT:  Community service hours: 0
Number Awarded: 1 to 4  Scholarship Amount: $500 - $1,000
Distribution: 1-time payment
Scholarship Overview: Number of scholarships vary in the amount of $500 to $1,000. Minimum GPA 2.5. Income is not considered. Student must be in good standing in high school. Must have a strong interest becoming a professional in the residential construction field or related trades. Should demonstrate interest in remaining in the construction industry upon graduation. Must be a member of Future Builders Association (FBA), Technology Student Association (TSA), or the Architecture Construction Engineering Mentor Program (ACE). Adult students are eligible to apply. Additional essay required: “Explain why you are interested in becoming a professional in the housing industry. Identify and describe your experiences with the home building industry and your career goals.”

The Richards' Family Scholarship
GPA: 3.00  SAT/ACT: Report  Community service hours: 75
Number Awarded: 1  Scholarship Amount: $250
Distribution: 1-time payment
Scholarship Overview: One (1) scholarship of $250. Minimum GPA 3.0. Student must have a minimum of 75 community service hours to apply. Additional essay required: Bob & Jois Richards are givers and encouragers. Why are these types of people important in our society?

Travis Career Center Students:

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Number Awarded: 1 to 4  Scholarship Amount: $500 - $1,000
Distribution: 1-time payment
Scholarship Overview: Number of scholarships vary in the amount of $500 to $1,000. Minimum GPA 2.5. Income is not considered. Student must be in good standing in high school. Must have a strong interest becoming a professional in the residential construction field or related trades. Should demonstrate interest in remaining in the construction industry upon graduation. Must be a member of Future Builders Association (FBA), Technology Student Association (TSA), or the Architecture Construction Engineering Mentor Program (ACE). Adult students are eligible to apply. Additional essay required: “Explain why you are interested in becoming a professional in the housing industry. Identify and describe your experiences with the home building industry and your career goals.”

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SCHOLARSHIP STATEMENT

I understand that:
(a) if my application is incomplete or does not contain all items from the required list, my application will not be considered, acknowledged or returned,
(b) many scholarships will be decided based solely on the essay,
(c) those other than Polk Education Foundation staff may review my application for the selection process,
(d) only those chosen to be interviewed will be notified of interview date/time,
(e) if requested, I must attend an interview or be disqualified,
(f) only the recipients of the scholarships will be notified by graduation.

I further understand and agree that if I am chosen as a recipient:
(a) I will attend the Senior Awards program at my high school to receive the award(s),
(b) I will send a thank you note to the sponsor(s) of my scholarship(s) and a copy of the same thank you note to the Polk Education Foundation,
(c) my scholarship check will not be released until my College Information Sheet AND a copy of my thank you note has been received by the Foundation office,
(d) the Foundation may use my name and photo to publicize my award without any further compensation,
(e) if I change colleges, it is my responsibility to request that the balance of funds be transferred back to the Polk Education Foundation to be reissued to the college I will be attending. I will notify the Polk Education Foundation of this in writing,
(f) all monies received from a one-time award must be used within five years of my graduation. Any money remaining after that time will revert back to the Polk Education Foundation,
(g) all scholarship checks will be sent on/about July 1 for Fall enrollment IF the above mentioned paperwork is returned to the Polk Education Foundation.

Student's Signature___________________________________________________________

Date__________________________ Birth year if under 18 __________________________

Parent's
Signature___________________________________________________________
(required if student is under 18 years of age)

Parent's Printed Name________________________________________________________