

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS GUIDELINES

PURPOSE

- 1. To encourage interest in the mechanical contracting industry; (hereafter understood as the electrical, HVAC, or plumbing trades) by helping young people attain a higher level of education.
- 2. To provide qualified personnel to the mechanical contracting industry, and to promote its philosophy and goals.

GENERAL POLICIES

- 1. Promotion of the scholarship fund shall be by the MCASC.
- 2. All scholarship funds shall be placed in a separate savings account controlled and maintained by the MCASC state office. The local areas will not maintain segregated scholarship accounts. Final selections and approval of the student scholarships shall be determined solely by the MCASC Scholarship Committee.
- 3. Recipients shall be selected from various high schools, technical colleges, colleges, and universities. The Recipient's must attend a technical college, college or university. Each applicant must complete the appropriate application forms attached and mail to MCASC; Post Office Box 384; Columbia, SC 29202. Applications must be received no later than June 1st to be considered for the following school year. Preference will be given to in-state technical colleges, colleges, and universities. Applications will be submitted to the Scholarship Committee for approval with the identifying information redacted.
- 4. Each applicant must submit a written one page essay on why he/she is interested in pursuing a career in the mechanical contracting Industry, including plans to do so and the extent of the applicant's commitment.
- 5. Scholarship recipients will be notified by July 1st of each year for the following school year and the award rendered to the school in accordance with the appropriate school semester.
- 6. A scholarship recipient must be someone who intends to or is pursuing a course of study at an institute of higher learning that is designed to give them the skills to be a journeyman, apprentice, engineer, project manager, draftsman, or estimator in the electrical, HVAC, or plumbing trades.
- 7. Recipients are required to submit a new application with accompanying transcripts each year. Continuation of the scholarship is not automatic.

- 8. Scholarships will be based on the following items in order of importance: career path, GPA/class rank, study at an in-state school vs. an out-of-state school, relationship to an employee of a contractor or supplier member of MCASC, work experience in the mechanical trades, and military service.
- 9. All other selection criteria being equal, prior year recipients will be given precedence over new applicants, and if still equal, precedence will be given to the person with the better grades, and if still equal, precedence will be given to an applicant related to an employee of a contractor or supplier member of MCASC.

ELIGIBILITY

- 1. Applicant must be a resident of South Carolina.
- 2. Applicant will verify pursuing a course of study at an institute of higher learning that is designed to give them the skills to be a journeyman, apprentice, engineer, project manager, draftsman, or estimator in the electrical, HVAC, or plumbing trades.