RRCC- Post-G.E.D. Scholarship Application
Spring 2016

DUE: Tuesday, December 15th @ 5:00 pm for Spring semester award

Red Rocks Community College is pleased to offer G.E.D. scholarships. Read the ENTIRE application carefully, including the program policies. Completing this application does not guarantee a scholarship award. Selection is based on a competitive evaluation of an applicant's G.E.D. test scores, professional and academic goals and any special circumstances. Your eligibility will be checked prior to the selection process.

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES: Applicants must meet ALL guidelines to apply:
1. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen or a Permanent Resident.
2. Applicant must be a Colorado resident for a period of at least one year prior to the application deadline.
3. Applicant must provide a copy of their official G.E.D. test scores with the application.

Application Instructions:
Applicants must complete ALL PARTS all parts of the application to apply:
1. Complete all sections of the Biographical Information pages.
2. Submit a Personal Statement.
3. Provide one or two letters of Recommendation.
4. Provide a copy of their official G.E.D. test scores.
5. Applicant must meet with a Navigator* OR enroll in the RRCC Gateway program**

Submitting the Application:
- Do not use binders, notebooks or page protectors.
- Applications in transit at the time of the deadline are considered late and will not be considered for awards.
- Applications lacking information or missing attachments are incomplete.
- Late and/or incomplete applications are not considered for awards.

Submit Applications by the following methods:

In Person: Lakewood Campus - Room 1262 in the Learning Commons
Arvada Campus - Front Desk (ask for Gina Jimenez)

By Mail: RRCC-Post-G.E.D. Scholarship Application
13300 W. 6th Avenue - Campus Box #37
Lakewood, CO 80228

DEADLINE: Tuesday, December 15th @ 5:00 PM (NO Exceptions)
Do you have QUESTIONS? Call 303 914-6030
Primary Contact Information:

Last Name ___________________________ First Name ________________________________ Middle Initial ________

____ Male ______ Female

We will contact you via e-mail.

What is your email address? __________________________________________________________

Verify Eligibility: These guidelines are listed on the Application Cover Page. Please answer the following questions regarding your eligibility:

Are you a U.S. Citizen? ______ Yes ______ No

Are you a Permanent resident? ______ Yes ______ No

Are you a Colorado resident? ______ Yes ______ No

A copy of my official G.E.D. test scores is attached. ______ Yes ______ No

Agreement and Release of Information:

Please read and review the following agreement and release of information carefully:

By filling out this form, I wish my application to be considered for the G.E.D. scholarship administered by RRCC. I understand I am voluntarily submitting this information in a competitive evaluation process. I understand that I may be disqualified if this application is not complete and that I must update the RRCC Navigators about any changes in my situation. By indicating agreement, I release this information to RRCC.

Yes, I agree. Please sign your name. ______________________________________________________
Academic and Professional Information:

The questions in this section are designed to aid in determining your academic and professional goals.

How many credit hours do you plan to complete in the Fall 2015 semester at RRCC?

___ 5 credits or fewer   ___ 6 to 11 credits   ___ 12 or more credits

Do you know what professional goal you would like to pursue?

___ Yes and it is__________________________________________________________

___ Undecided

Attachments: Personal Statement, G.E.D. Test Scores, Letter(s) of Recommendation, Proof of Meeting with a Navigator or enrollment in the RRCC Gateway Program

In addition to completing the biographical sections, the application requires you to submit three attachments:

1) Personal Statement,
2) Copy of G.E.D. test scores,
3) Letter(s) of Recommendation

Did you attach your Personal Statement? ___ Yes   ___ No

Tips for submitting your personal statement:

• Focus on your academic and career goals
• Include challenges you face or have faced, such as financial need, and/or family or work obligations
• Submit 2 pages or approximately 500 words. Please type and double space your statement

Did you attach a copy of your official G.E.D. test scores? ___ Yes   ___ No

Did you attach one or two Letters of Recommendation? ___ Yes   ___ No

Tips for submitting Letters of Recommendation:

• Ask for your reference at least 2 weeks prior to the deadline
• Letters are accepted from previous teachers, employers, supervisors, probation officers etc.
• When asking for a recommendation letter, you can suggest that the letter address your:
  Academic skills and potential
  Level of motivation
  Potential for success in your chosen career path
• We do not have a form or preferred format for recommendation letters
• Letters must be submitted with the application itself. Individual letters will not be considered
Have you submitted proof of meeting with an RRCC Navigator or official enrollment in the RRCC Gateway Program?  

____ Yes      ____ No

**How did you hear about the scholarship?**

____ RRCC Website   ____ Class visit   ____ Teacher/Staff Member

____ Referred by: __________________________

____ Friend    ____ Relative    ____ Other: __________________________

**Application Agreement, Signature and Contact Information**

Completion of the application process does not guarantee a scholarship award. All eligible applications submitted by the deadline will be evaluated on a number of criteria. Final decision-making rights regarding scholarship selections are held by RRCC.

Students receiving scholarships are expected to maintain an RRCC minimum GPA of 2.0, or be enrolled in the RRCC Gateway program. They must be enrolled in a minimum of 3 credit hours for the semester. Recipients must fulfill the requirements of the award listed in the notification letter to fully utilize the award during the academic year. If the scholarship student drops below the minimum GPA or discontinues the RRCC Gateway Program, a discontinuance of the scholarship may result. Additionally, the student may be required to provide reimbursement for the current awards issued.

Red Rocks Community College does not unlawfully discriminate in its admissions, education programs, activities or employment policies on the basis of race, age, gender, sexual orientation, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, creed, gender expression, disability or any other category protected by application law and is subject to Title IX of the Education Amendments act of 1972 and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended.

By signing below, I agree that I understand the conditions as explained above. I attest to the accuracy of the information and statements I have made in the application.

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE: ____________________________

PRINTED NAME: ____________________________

BIRTH DATE (MM/DD/YYYY): ____________________________

MAILING ADDRESS: ____________________________

CITY, STATE, ZIP: ____________________________

VALID PHONE NUMBER: ____________________________
**Next Steps:**

Submit the Application

**The Evaluation Process:**

Your application will go before a committee of individuals who want to contribute to the success of RRCC students. Each evaluator will receive a training prior to the selection process.

**Notification:**

You will be notified whether or not you receive an award using the contact information you provided in this application. Response letters will be sent to all applicants regarding award status by Tuesday, January 5, 2016. If you change your address, please notify the RRCC Navigators immediately.

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*RRCC Navigator: Maryann Touitou 303 914 6571 maryann.touitou@rrcc.edu

**RRCC Navigators** discuss navigating college, study skills and further success strategies to reach academic, career and personal goals.

**RRCC Gateway** Catherine Lachman 303 914 6542 catherine.lachman@rrcc.edu

The Gateway program assists ex-offenders, offering increased services, counseling and other preparation to go on to postsecondary education.