



## **RRCC- Post-G.E.D./H.S.E. Scholarship Application Spring 2018 Semester Award**

**DUE: Friday, December 15, 2017 @ 5:00 pm**

Red Rocks Community College is pleased to offer scholarships to G.E.D./H.S.E. graduates each Spring semester. Carefully read and complete the ENTIRE application including program policies and submission guidelines. Selection is based on a competitive evaluation of an applicant's test scores, professional and academic goals, and any special circumstances. Your eligibility is checked prior to the selection process. Completing this application does not guarantee a scholarship award.

### **Eligibility Guidelines**

Applicants must meet ALL guidelines to apply:

1. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen or 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./H.S.E. test scores with the application.

### **Application Instructions**

Applicants must complete 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./H.S.E. test scores.
5. Applicant must meet with a Red Rocks Navigator **OR** be enrolled in the Red Rocks Gateway program.

### **Submitting the Application**

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

### **Submit Applications by the following methods**

In Person:

Lakewood Campus, Financial Aid Office, ask for Sheila Stevenson  
Arvada Campus, Front Desk, ask for Gina Jimenez

By Mail:

RRCC Post-G.E.D./H.S.E. Scholarship Application, 13300 West Sixth Avenue, Campus Box #4,  
Lakewood, CO 80228

*Questions: Call 303-914-6671 or email a Navigator (contact information is located on the last page)*



**Red Rocks Community College  
Spring 2018 G.E.D./H.S.E. Scholarship Application**

**Primary Contact Information**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female

Applicants are contacted via email. Email address \_\_\_\_\_

**Verify Eligibility**

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., TASC or HiSet 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./H.S.E. 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** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Academic and Professional Information**

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

How many credit hours do you plan to complete in the Spring 2018 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, it is \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Undecided

**Attachments**

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

- Personal Statement
- Copy of G.E.D./H.S.E. test scores
- Letter(s) of Recommendation

*Tips for Submitting Your Personal Statement*

- ✓ Focus on academic and career goals.
- ✓ Include challenges you are experiencing or have faced, such as financial need, and/or family or work obligations.
- ✓ Personal statement must be 2 pages or approximately 500 words, typed and double spaced. 12-point font.

Attached your Personal Statement? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

*Tips for Submitting Letters of Recommendation (LOR Tool attached)*

- ✓ Ask for references 2-4 weeks prior to the deadline.
- ✓ Letters are accepted from previous teachers, employers, supervisors, probation officers etc.
- ✓ When asking for a recommendation letter, suggest that the letter address academic skills and potential, level of motivation, and or potential for success in chosen career path.
- ✓ There is no specific form or preferred format for recommendation letters. Letters must be submitted with the application itself and individual letters will not be considered.

Attached one or two Letters of Recommendation? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Attached a copy of your official test scores? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Submitted proof of meeting with a Navigator or enrollment in the Gateway Program?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

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

\_\_\_\_\_ RRCC Website \_\_\_\_\_ Class visit \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher/Staff member \_\_\_\_\_ Friend/Relative

\_\_\_\_\_ Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Referred by \_\_\_\_\_

The Evaluation Process

Applications 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 to ensure all criteria is considered during the evaluation process.

Notification

Applicants will be notified whether or not they receive an award using the contact information provided in this application. Response letters are sent to all applicants regarding award status by **Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**. Please notify a Navigator immediately regarding change of address, phone number or email address.

**Red Rocks Community College Navigators & Gateway Program**

Navigators discuss study skills, success strategies to reach academic, career and personal goals, and assist students through the college process.

Sara Molden 303-914-6571 [sara.molden@rrcc.edu](mailto:sara.molden@rrcc.edu)

Allen Burch 303-914-6760 [allen.burch@rrcc.edu](mailto:allen.burch@rrcc.edu)

The Gateway Program assists ex-offenders offering services, counseling and other preparations to enter post-secondary education.

Catherine Lachman 303-914-6542 [catherine.lachman@rrcc.edu](mailto:catherine.lachman@rrcc.edu)

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**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 a 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: \_\_\_\_\_