Oklahoma CareerTech Foundation
CareerTech Teacher Recruitment/Retention Scholarship
2014 Application

"*To Recruit and Retain Teaching Professionals in the Oklahoma CareerTech System reflective of the diverse populations we serve.*"

Scholarship Awards

$500/semester up to $1,500/year (August 1, 2014-July 31, 2015)

Dissemination of Scholarship Funds

Scholarship funds will be issued to the applicable postsecondary institution in the name of the scholarship recipient when proof of enrollment is verified. Subsequent semester payments will be issued after scholarship committee has received proof of enrollment and official transcript verifiying a gradepoint average of 2.5 or higher.

Applicant Qualifications:

1. Applicants must either be (1) an incumbent CareerTech teacher, working toward a CareerTech credential or certification and have an approved Plan of Study with an approved institution of higher education, or (2) be a college junior or senior pursuing a bachelor's degree to become a certified CareerTech teacher and have an approved Plan of Study with an approved institution of higher education.
2. Enrolled in three or more credit hours
3. Must be an Oklahoma resident attending an Oklahoma postsecondary institution.
4. Must maintain a 2.5 grade point average.

Application Submission Deadline: **Applications must be postmarked by May 15, 2014.**

Interested students are urged to apply as early as possible. If additional information is needed, please contact Lisa Eden, Administrator, Oklahoma CareerTech Foundation, at (405) 743-5453 or email *lisa.eden@careertech.ok.gov*

CareerTech Teacher Recruitment/Retention Scholarship Application

Oklahoma Resident: **Yes** or **No** (Please circle your answer.)
<u>If you answered **NO**, please stop. You are not eligible to participate in this program.</u>

Name_____
(Last) **(First)** **(M.I.)**

Address_____
(Street) **(City)** **(State)** **(ZIP)**

Home Phone Number (__)_____ Cell Number (__)_____

Date of Birth _____ College ID # **(required)**_____

Email _____

The purpose of this scholarship is to recruit and retain teaching professionals in the Oklahoma CareerTech System reflective of the diverse populations we serve. Therefore, please indicate your ethnic status.

☐American Indian and Alaska Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American

☐Hispanic or Latino ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

☐ White ☐Other _____

Check which best describes your academic status and complete associated follow-up information.

☐College Junior
____ Number of Hours completed Full-time or Part-time
(Circle One)

☐College Senior
____Number of Hours completed Full-time or Part-time
(Circle One)

☐Incumbent Teacher
What do you teach?
_____

Where do you teach?
_____

Information related to the college/university you **<u>will be attending or are attending</u>**.
Please circle which applies.

_____ _____
(Name of Institution) **(Location)**

_____/_____/_____
(Major) **(Start Date of Attendance)** **(Expected Completion Date)**

If you are not planning to earn your CareerTech Teacher requirements from the institution you are currently attending, please list information for the school from which you plan to earn your teacher requirements.

_____ _____

(Name of Institution) **(Location)**

_____/_____/_____

(Major) **(Start Date of Attendance)** **(Expected Completion Date)**

Statement of Need and Obligation

Please type and attach a one-page, single spaced essay (approximately 500 words) that supports your need for scholarship dollars and addresses your interest and commitment to the CareerTech teaching profession. Use this opportunity to provide the selection committee with facts about you, including relevant background information. Incorporate any CareerTech experience you have, including any certification or license you may have earned in a CareerTech program. Briefly explain how your college education will be or is being financed and describe any special circumstances that illustrate a need for the scholarship.

References

Please provide two letters of reference. The scholarship committee will be looking for evidence of personal character, professionalism, integrity, academic commitment, and your interest in becoming an Oklahoma CareerTech teacher. One letter of reference may be submitted by the individual verifying your educational intention.

Verification

Please provide current documentation to indicate your educational intention to become a CareerTech teacher. This document should be signed by your advisor, teacher educator, or school administrator. Acceptable documentation could be a current plan of study, recent transcript, etc. Please provide the name, title, and contact number of the person verifying your educational intention.

_____ _____ _____

Name Title Contact Number

Commitment

By signing the application below, I acknowledge that information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge, and if selected as a recipient, I will participate and adhere to requirements and activities associated with this award.

_____ _____

Scholarship Applicant College Advisor or CareerTech Administrator

Application Submission Instructions

Submit completed application with support materials
by
May 15, 2014
to

Lisa Eden
Oklahoma CareerTech Foundation
1500 West Seventh
Stillwater, OK 74074-4364

SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST

_____ Signed and completed application

_____ One- Page Essay (approximately, 500 words)

_____ Signed verification of educational intent

_____ Two letters of reference

_____ Proof of an approved Plan of Study leading to a certified CareerTech teaching credential from an approved institution of higher education

_____ Submitted by postmarked deadline of May 15, 2014