

FLORIDA CRANE OWNERS COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

Application Year 2013-2014

The Florida Crane Owners Council Scholarship is providing awards for deserving students. The Center for Scholarship Administration, Inc. (CSA), a non-profit, independent organization is the Facilitator of the scholarship fund.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Q: Who is eligible for the scholarship?

A: Applicants must be either qualified employees of a Florida Crane Owners Council (FCOC) member company based in Florida in good standing OR the dependent child of a qualified employee of a FCOC member company based in Florida in good standing. A qualified employee is defined as an employee who has been employed full-time by a FCOC company for a minimum of one year as of the deadline date. A dependent child is defined as a natural, adopted or resident step child of a qualified employee of a FCOC company.

Applicants maximum age for employees is 24.

Applicant must be high school seniors, or students who are already enrolled as undergraduate students.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on their latest transcript.

Applicants must be seeking either a Bachelor degree at an accredited four-year college OR an Associate degree at an accredited two-year institution OR be seeking a certification at an accredited community/vocational/technical college.

Applicants must demonstrate traits of high personal character and leadership.

Applicants must provide information regarding their extra-curricular activities and community involvement.

Q: Are certain persons not eligible to apply for this scholarship?

A: Employees and/or dependent children of Florida Crane Owners Council member companies in good standing who are **not based and living** in Florida would not be eligible for the FCOC scholarship.

Q: When is the deadline for submission of materials?

A: You must submit the application and ALL the additional required materials in ONE envelope with a postmark no later than **MARCH 1, 2013**. No exceptions will be made to the deadline.

Q: What constitutes a complete application packet?

A: You must submit the following additional materials:

1. Submit the completed **APPLICATION PACKET** along with the signed **TERMS OF AGREEMENT**, found in the application.
2. Submit an **OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT** with grades and cumulative GPA posted through the Fall 2012 semester. (It must be OFFICIAL)
3. Submit **SAT/ACT SCORES** for applicants who are high school seniors.
4. Submit a **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION** from teacher/professor.
5. Submit a **PERSONAL STATEMENT/ESSAY**. Submit a one-page signed personal statement explaining why the scholarship is important to the applicant. Include college and career plans, if known. Include applicant name and name of scholarship on the page.

6. Submit a **LIST OF YOUR ACADEMIC HONORS, LEADERSHIP SKILLS, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**, etc.

Q: What is the value of the scholarship award?

A: There are two types of scholarships to be awarded. Each type consists of two scholarships.

(a) Two recipients who are enrolled at a public or private (501) (c) (3) accredited college or university will receive \$1,250 each.

(b) Two recipients who are enrolled at a public or private (501) (c) (3) accredited institution will receive \$750 each.

The awards will be applied to the cost of tuition, fees, books and supplies only and should not exceed these costs. Scholarship awards must be used in the year they are awarded. Recipients are required to access the Payment Form from www.scholarshipprograms.org home page. They must sign the form and submit it to their college to certify their enrollment and forward to the Scholarship Director for payment. All grades and Payment Forms must be received no later than **MARCH 15, 2013**. No payments will be made after **MARCH 15, 2013** for any reason. Award amounts of \$5,000 or less will be paid in full at the beginning of the academic year. It is the recipient's responsibility to submit a completed Payment Form and grades and specified below. A check will be issued directly to the college upon receipt of a grade report/transcript and a Payment Form. Failure to submit the required materials will result in the permanent loss of the scholarship. Unused funds must be returned to the Florida Crane Owners Council Scholarship Fund.

Q: What schools can a recipient attend?

A: Accredited two-year or four-year college or university, or community, vocational or technical school offering a degree or certification, provided the institution meets the stipulations in the following paragraph.

The institution must be an educational organization that normally maintains a regular faculty and curriculum and normally has a regularly enrolled body of pupils or students in attendance at the place where its educational activities are regularly carried on.

Q: What if I am unable to attend consecutive semesters?

A: Extenuating circumstances requiring a student to sit out a semester must be explained in writing to CSA. You will be notified of the final decision. If a recipient is out for a semester, then that semester is forfeited.

Q: How are winners selected?

A: A Scholarship Selection Committee will consider the respective ability, educational goals, and career ambitions of each applicant.

Q: How will I be notified if I am chosen as a recipient?

A: All complete applicants will be notified of the decisions of the committee.

Q: Is this scholarship renewable?

A: This scholarship is non-renewable; however, current recipients may reapply and be considered in competition with new applicants. CSA will notify current recipients to determine if they wish to reapply for the scholarship.

**FLORIDA CRANE OWNERS COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD FOR 2013-2014
(Be sure to print legibly)**

Complete this section regarding personal information

First Name _____ MI _____ Last Name _____

Date of Birth ____/____/____ Gender: Male Female

Last four digits of your social security number _____

Country of Citizenship _____

Home Address (Street) _____

Home Address (Apt #) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email address _____

If you, the applicant, are applying as an employee, please complete this section:

Are you, the applicant, currently employed? Yes No

If yes, are you employed full or part-time? Full Part

What type of work _____ Employer Name _____

If you, the applicant, are applying as the dependent child of an employee, please complete this section:

Employee's full name _____

Work Location _____ Hire date _____

Complete this section regarding your high school information, if you are currently a HS senior:

Currently enrolled at (name of high school) _____

Anticipated HS graduation date ____/____/____
Month Year

Complete this section regarding your college information, if you are currently in college:

I have attended college in the past at _____

From (year) _____ To (year) _____

My classification when I left was FR SO JR

I am currently enrolled at (name of college) _____

Location of college _____
City State

Current classification (please circle) FR SO JR

Complete this section regarding your education plans for 2013-2014:

I graduated from high school in (year) _____ and have not attended college or did not complete requirements for my degree. _____ Yes _____ No

Name of college planning to attend _____

Location of college planning to attend _____
City State

Classification for upcoming term (please circle) FR SO JR SR

Anticipated college graduation date _____ / _____
Month Year

Complete this section regarding "known" or "applied for" financial aid

Will you be receiving any other form of scholarship aid for academic year 2013-2014?

If yes, list name of scholarship	Annual Amount	Renewable (yes or no)
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Instructions for Terms of Agreement:
You must print this page, sign at the bottom, and include this with your application materials.

TERMS OF AGREEMENT
Florida Crane Owners Council, Inc. Scholarship
2013-2014

I acknowledge that I have read and agree to provide the additional materials required to complete my application.

I certify that the information contained in this application and all other materials submitted by me for consideration of this scholarship are to the best of my knowledge accurate and true. I also certify that the personal statement is my own work.

I authorize my school to provide the Scholarship Selection Committee with any and all requested information concerning my enrollment, grades, test scores or any combination of the above, and any other information deemed necessary by the Scholarship Selection Committee to enable them to make an informed decision regarding the selection of recipients.

I give FOC permission to list my name as a scholarship recipient on the FCOC/CSA website should I be chosen as a recipient.

I understand that this is a competitive scholarship program. Scholarships shall be awarded on an objective and non-discriminatory basis, with neither race, creed, color, sex, age, religion, national origin or disability being considered. Selections are based on information received from the applicant and the additional materials postmarked by the deadline. Decisions of the committee are final and justification for recipient selection(s) by the Scholarship Selection Committee, CSA, or FCOC staff will not be disclosed under any circumstances.

I understand that if I do not submit all the required materials by the postmark deadline that I will not be considered for a scholarship.

I understand that the scholarships do not originate with CSA. CSA merely administers the scholarship program. CSA cannot guarantee that FCOC will provide the funds, and, in the event FCOC fails to provide the funds, CSA is in no way responsible with regard to payment of the funds.

I understand that in the event of serious malfeasance, breach of traditional conduct, failure to provide requested materials, or conduct involving moral turpitude, a scholarship may be terminated at any time within the discretion of the Scholarship Selection Committee and concurrence of the donor, whose decisions shall be final and binding.

I have read the above terms and certify that I am eligible to apply for this scholarship and that I will abide by these terms.

X _____ X _____
Signature Print Name

_____/_____/_____
Date

By signing your name above, you certify that you agree to the terms of this scholarship process.

REMEMBER

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DEADLINE

Deadline for submission of all materials is a postmark no later than **MARCH 1, 2013**. Faxed copies and materials received after the postmark deadline will not be considered.

MAIL ALL INFORMATION TO:

**FLORIDA CRANE OWNERS COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP
4320 WADE HAMPTON BOULEVARD, SUITE G ♦ TAYLORS SC 29687**

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