



# Scholarship Foundation Awards

## Scholarship Contest Rules & Instructions

Applications will be accepted between January 1 and March 31, 2012. A U.S. Postal Service official postmark of March 31 will be accepted.

Thirty-Two (32) college scholarships of \$2,500 each will be awarded to the sons and daughters of members of Pipe Trades Local Unions affiliated with the California State Pipe Trades Council.

These scholarships must be used for study at an accredited U.S. four (4) year college or university. The California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation will not impose restrictions of any kind on the course of study. Recipients may accept any other grants or awards which do not rule out scholarship aid from other sources.

### Who May Apply

Sons and daughters of Pipe Trades Union members may apply for the scholarships. The parent of the applicant must be a member of a Local Union affiliated with the California State Pipe Trades Council, and currently in good standing for at least one (1) full year. Student's transcripts must indicate a grade point average of no less than 2.5.

The applicants may be:

High school seniors graduating in June and attending a U.S. 4-year college or university during the coming academic year; must provide an official high school transcript as well as proof of registration at, or acceptance to, a four-year college or university.

Full-time community college students attending a U.S. 4-year college or university during the coming academic year; \*must provide an official community college transcript verifying full-time attendance, as well as proof of registration at, or acceptance to, a four-year college or university.

Full-time students currently attending a U.S. 4-year college or university and continuing attendance during the coming academic year; must provide an official college or university transcript verifying full-time attendance.

\*If the school transcript does not list your current "classes in progress," you must provide documentation that clearly verifies your current full-time registration.

### Awarding Scholarships

After verifying the eligibility of the applicants, the California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation will submit completed applications for judging by an external, independent panel comprised of professional educators through the University of California.

Applicants will be given points based upon the following criteria: academic honors (2); school activities (2); community service (2); application form (2); essay style (4); and essay content (8) -- a possible total of 20 points. The University Scholarship Selection Committee will submit the list of scholarship finalists to the California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation.

Scholarship winners will be announced at the California State Pipe Trades Convention in May. Winners will be notified and presented award checks by the Business Manager of their parent's Local Union.

## Instructions

The following items must be received:

1. Application - to be completed by the applicant; Note: under "Information Pertaining to Qualifying Parent," *the applicant must ensure that the parent's Local Union completes the specified section at the bottom of the application.*
2. An official school transcript as detailed under "Who May Apply," is to be submitted by a high school official or college official and mailed directly to the California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation. *A transcript removed from the officially sealed school envelope, or in a school envelope with a broken seal, will not be accepted.*
3. Proof of registration at, or acceptance to, a four-year college or university.
4. Letters of recommendation - applicant should submit one to three letters of recommendation giving information about the applicant's character and ability. These letters may be from teachers, community leaders, family friends, or others who know the applicant. Please submit the letter(s) of recommendation with the application.
5. 1,000 word essay on the following two-part subject: "Paycheck Protection" initiatives are returning again in 2012. 1) What is the impact to Labor Unions if they pass? 2) What can be done to defeat them?

It is the responsibility of the applicant to see that all the above items are received on time at the following address:

Rodney L. Cameron, Executive Director  
California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation  
1123 L Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

For more information contact (916) 446-7311.

*(To be printed on Local Union letterhead)*

*(Insert Date)*

Dear Member:

I am pleased to notify you of a wonderful opportunity for your children. The California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation awards college scholarships to sons and daughters of Pipe Trades Union members in good standing. In order to apply, your child may be:

- 1) A high school senior graduating in June and attending a U.S. 4-year college or university during the coming academic year.
- 2) A full-time community college student attending a U.S. 4-year college or university during the coming academic year.
- 3) A full-time student currently attending a U.S. 4-year college or university and continuing attendance during the coming academic year.

Thirty-two (32) scholarships in the amount of \$2,500 each will be awarded to the winning applicants. ***Applications and the required accompanying materials will be accepted beginning January 1, 2012. They must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2012.***

The following materials are enclosed:

*Scholarship Contest Rules and Instructions* for full details regarding applying for the scholarship.

*Scholarship Application* to be completed by the applicant. The applicant must ensure that the specified section at the bottom of the application *is completed by the parent's Local Union.*

You can find both of these documents on the California State Pipe Trades Council website at [www.calpipes.org](http://www.calpipes.org). If you have questions or need additional information you may contact the California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation at 916-446-7311.

I hope your children will take advantage of this great opportunity.

Sincerely,

*(Business Manager's signature)*  
Business Manager

Enclosures