



# **LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Claremore Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc  
***Leadership Scholarship***

The Claremore Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc., Leadership Scholarship Program is designed to offer Claremore area students seeking post secondary educational and vocational training a one-time \$500 scholarship award to help further their educational goals. Proceeds from the Friday performance of the annual Gridiron are used to help fund the scholarship program. The Chamber Foundation is pleased to be able to invest in the future quality of life for our citizens and community.

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE**

- Rogers County high school seniors
- Graduates of Rogers County High Schools or current residents of Rogers County, enrolled in Oklahoma colleges and universities
- Vocational - Technical students (any age and must be a resident of Rogers County)

Who plan to attend a two- or four- year accredited Oklahoma college, university, or vocational or technical school during the next school year.

**HOW TO APPLY**

Applications can be obtained through area high school counselors, the Rogers State University admissions office, Northeast Technology Center Student Services (South Campus), or the Claremore Chamber of Commerce office.

- Complete the application
- Enclose references
- Enclose essay

**HOW SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ARE SELECTED**

Scholarships are not based solely on academic performance, but demonstration of special talents, leadership, and/or community service. Demonstration of special talent could include placement in a state or national student organization, ex. Debate, Music, FBLA, VICA, etc. Demonstration of leadership could be holding an office in a student organization, developing a project, or actual job experience. Demonstration of community service could be volunteer work in a community project through school, club, church, or employer. Demonstration of desire to continue/begin education while employed (full or part time). Secondary criteria for selection will be financial need, overall grade point average, and career goals.

The Chamber Leadership Scholarship Committee will review all applications and determine awards before May 1, 2010. All decisions by the scholarship committee are final. Applications are numbered upon receipt so that they may be reviewed anonymously. Applications are also ranked in aforementioned areas and discussion and selection are based on the top ranking applicants. The Committee retains the right to hold interviews for final selection. Scholarship money will be dispersed upon receipt of *proof of enrollment* for the fall semester at any accredited Oklahoma educational institution.

To be fully considered for a Leadership Scholarship from the Claremore Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc., all applicants must attach all of the following documents:

- Completed application
- Educational letter of recommendation
- Employer letter of recommendation (if applicable)
- Community organization letter of recommendation
- Applicant essay

## APPLICATION FORM

The Leadership Scholarship Program - Claremore Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc.

### APPLICANT INFORMATION *Type or print in BLACK ink*

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

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER STREET OR RFD City State Zip

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Check one: I am currently a:

- High school senior  High school graduate who has not attended college  
 Vocational / Technology School  Currently enrolled in college/university

**If in high school:** Name of school \_\_\_\_\_

Location of school \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

Attendance \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Current GPA \_\_\_\_\_/4.0 scale or \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ scale Type of School: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private \_\_\_\_\_ Special or Magnet \_\_\_\_\_

**Colleges, universities, post-secondary school(s) applied to:**

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**If in college/vocational school:** Name of college/university/post-secondary/vocational school(s) attended or presently attending:

Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
Address City State Month/Year Month/Year

Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
Address City State Month/Year Month/Year

Area of Study \_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA \_\_\_\_\_/4.0 scale or \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ scale

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**If returning to school:** Name of School \_\_\_\_\_  
Address City State Zip

Date Returning \_\_\_\_\_ Area of Study \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

School Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Business \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of Employment \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly Hours \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor or Employer's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

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**REFERENCES:** Please attach two letters of recommendation from persons that might have knowledge of how you meet the scholarship criteria. Example: a school sponsor, employer, community organization sponsor.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

**Organizations, clubs, sports, volunteer activities, church activities etc.:**

ACTIVITY      POSITION HELD      HOURS SPENT PER WEEK      YEAR OF PARTICIPATION

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### Leadership awards and honors:

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### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

If you are currently or will be receiving any other type of financial assistance (e.g., athletic or academic scholarships, loans, grants, etc.), please list.

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### APPLICANT ESSAY

Attach a maximum 750 word printed or typewritten essay. The essay should address how the award of this scholarship would assist you with your financial need or career goals and discuss how a community leader or volunteer has inspired you.

**I, the undersigned** hereby state that all the information submitted in this application is truthful, to the best of my knowledge. I further authorize the Claremore Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc.; to use my name, photograph, and/or excerpts from my essay in all materials related to the Leadership Scholarship Program.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***If applicant is under 18 years of age.***

Parent or Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Mail completed application  
And all attachments by **April 12, 2010** to:  
Leadership Scholarship Committee  
Claremore Chamber of Commerce  
419 W Will Rogers Blvd  
Claremore, OK 74017*