

2010 CISCO SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAM

OBJECTIVE:

To provide financial support to college-bound children of building trade union members and employees of union contractors. Four scholarships will be awarded each year to children of a member of a trade union affiliated with CISCO or to children of non-bargaining unit employees of a union contractor affiliated with CISCO.

ELIGIBILITY:

Each candidate must be:

1. A high school senior at the time of application.
2. Provisionally accepted as a full-time student into an undergraduate degree program at a four-year accredited college or university.
3. A United States citizen.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

The following information is required from each candidate:

1. A copy or downloaded version of the application form will be acceptable.
2. Two completed Personal Reference Forms, filled out by a school faculty member, a guidance counselor, or an adult not related to the student.
3. An official transcript of all high school records.
4. Official ACT and/or SAT Test results. (We will accept results listed on the official high school transcript.)

AWARDS:

1. A maximum of four \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded yearly. These scholarships are renewable three times, for a total of four years, provided that the students maintains a 2.75 grade point average on a four-point scale.
2. Although the intent of each Scholarship Award is to recognize the most outstanding nominees, should two or more candidates rank equally in the judgement of the Selection Committee, the level of need may then be considered the final criterion.
3. CISCO will send the scholarship funds directly to the bursar of the college or university where the winner will do his/her undergraduate work.
4. For the purposes of allocation, the funds of this scholarship are to be used with the following priority: 1) Tuition and fees; 2) Book purchases; and 3) Room and Board and other expenses.
5. All scholarship awards will be formally announced at an official CISCO function.

JUDGING:

1. CISCO has the sole authority for granting the scholarship awards. The scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic performance, faculty recommendation, extracurricular activities, employment experience, and a demonstrated interest in a productive career. CISCO reserves the right to delegate the choice of award winners to the Selection Committee.
2. All applicants selected as finalists may be subject to a personal interview with representatives of the Selection Committee. Only winners will be notified.
3. For continuation of the scholarship, recipients will be required to provide indications of continued enrollment and good standing in a college program leading to a degree. Grade transcripts must be forwarded directly to CISCO from the school's registrar at the conclusion of each academic period.

DEADLINE:

Each entry, including all required data, must be postmarked by **February 12, 2010**. All entries are to be sent to:

CISCO
616 Enterprise Drive
Suite 100
Oak Brook, IL 60523

Complete the Following:

In what extracurricular activities have you participated while attending high school? Indicate elected offices held, if any. Specify purposes of local organizations.

1. **Student activities by year:** *(List student government, Key Club, National Honor Society, etc.)*

2. **Community activities by year:** *(Boy Scouts, etc.)*

3. **Athletics by year:**

4. **Awards or honors:**

Financial Information: *(Note: This is not a needs-based scholarship; however, please refer to item 2 under Awards)*

Father's occupation: _____ Annual income: \$ _____

Mother's occupation: _____ Annual income: \$ _____

Brothers and sisters in family older than you: _____ Younger than you: _____

Including yourself, how many members of your immediate family will be in college next year? _____

How many are receiving financial assistance in the form of scholarships or grants? _____

Do you have a Basic Education Opportunity Grant (BEOG)? If yes, include amount: _____

Complete the following estimate of college costs and revenues:

Tuition: \$ _____

Room & Board, Books, etc.: \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Revenue:

	1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year	4th Year
Parent Contribution:	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Applicant's Earnings:	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Loans:	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Scholarships awarded to this date:	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

List any scholarships you have received, the amount, and for how many years they apply: _____

Employment Information:

List below summer employment or other part-time work, briefly explaining duties and responsibilities. Begin with your most recent job. If part-time work, indicate number of hours per week.

1. Company name and type of business: _____

Address: _____

Employed from: _____ to _____

Supervisor's name: _____ Supervisor's Phone: (____) _____

Your duties: _____

Salary: \$ _____ per: MO / WK / HR

2. Company name and type of business: _____

Address: _____

Employed from: _____ to _____

Supervisor's name: _____ Supervisor's Phone: (____) _____

Your duties: _____

Salary: \$ _____ per: MO / WK / HR

Additional Information:

Answer the following questions using only the space provided. Any additional sheets will not be considered.

1. What difference would winning this scholarship make in your life?

2. Summarize your long-term career objectives:

3. What do you perceive as your one strongest attribute? Why?

"I agree that the application and all attachments may be used for the purpose of evaluation and possible selection by the Board of Directors of the Construction Industry Service Corporation and/or representatives designated by the Board of Directors. I also state that all information enclosed is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

We hereby authorize the financial aid office to release our family financial information and awards information to the Construction Industry Service Corporation Selection Committee. This information will be used to determine the student's need for a scholarship and will be kept strictly confidential."

Name of Prospective College or Colleges: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

Signed:

Student: _____ Date: _____

Parent: _____ Date: _____

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Note to Applicant:

You are responsible for ensuring that all items listed below are submitted to CISCO and postmarked by February 12, 2010.

1: Completed 4-page application, **2:** Two Personal Reference Forms, **3:** Official high school transcript.

Submit all application materials to:
CISCO • 616 Enterprise Drive • Suite 100 • Oak Brook, Illinois 60523

Deadline for postmark on materials is February 12, 2010!

PERSONAL REFERENCE FORM

To be completed by school faculty member, guidance counselor, or adult not related to the student.

Full Name of Student: _____

Your name has been given as a reference by the above student, who has applied for a scholarship from the Construction Industry Service Corporation. Your evaluation is important to us in considering this application, and we ask that you explain your comments fully. If necessary, use the reverse side for additional remarks. All comments will be used for evaluation purposes only.

Please complete this form (*type or print using black ink*) and mail it to the Construction Industry Service Corporation, 616 Enterprise Drive, Suite 100, Oak Brook, IL 60523, **postmarked by February 12, 2010**. The Applicant is considered responsible for submission of all required forms by this date.

Name of Evaluator: _____ Signature: _____

School & District: _____

Address: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

EVALUATION OF SOCIAL AND PERSONAL TRAITS

Please rate each characteristic listed using a scale of 0 to 10, with "0" being "Poor" and "10" being "Superior." If you would like to make additional comments, please use the reverse side of this form.

RATING

Cooperation _____ Courtesy _____ Initiative _____

Leadership _____ Maturity _____ Personal Appearance _____

Timeliness and Completeness of Assignments _____

Participation in Extracurricular Activities _____

Please indicate your opinion of the applicant's ability to excel in college, career, and life in the space below. You may continue your comments on the back of this sheet if necessary.

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