2014-2015
Pine Technical College
Foundation Scholarships

Thanks to generous donations and extensive fundraising efforts, the Pine Technical College Foundation will be offering scholarships to Pine Technical College (PTC) students for the 2014-2015 academic year. The PTC Foundation has two different scholarship programs, The Bridging the Dream Scholarship program and the Endowment Scholarship program. PTC students can conveniently apply for all of the scholarships below, by completing the attached Foundation Scholarship Application.

Bridging the Dream Scholarship Program

Bridging the Dream is established and funded by the Pine Technical College Foundation through donations and fundraising efforts. Full-time students (minimum of twelve (12) credits) are eligible for a scholarship in the amount $1,250. Part-time students (minimum of 6 credits) are eligible for a $500 scholarship.

Endowment Scholarship Program

The PTC Foundation *Endowment Scholarship Program* was established and funded by the PTC Foundation through donations and fundraising efforts. The following scholarships are made available through the endowment program.

Allied Health Scholarship: One (1) $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a new or returning PTC full-time students and one (1) $500 scholarship will be awarded to a new or returning PTC part-time student.

Brenda HagE Memorial: One (1) $800 scholarship will be awarded to a new or returning PTC full-time or part-time nursing students.

Foundation General Scholarships: Seven (7) $1,000 general scholarships will be awarded to new or returning PTC full-time or part-time students enrolled in any program.

Manufacturing Alliance Scholarships: Three (3) $1,200 scholarships will be awarded to new or returning PTC full-time students who are enrolled a machining or manufacturing program.

Stearns Bank Scholarships: Three (3) $1,000 scholarships will be awarded to a new or returning PTC full-time students and one (1) $700 scholarship will be awarded to a new or returning part-time student. Students eligible for these scholarships would preferably qualify for a Pell Grant and be enrolled in business related coursework.

Scholarship Rules and Requirements

- Eligible applicants must be a new or returning PTC student with a declared PTC major or PTC partnership program.

- Applicants must complete the attached application form in its entirety, including all essay questions and references. Completed applications must be submitted by **July 7, 2014**. *No Exceptions.*

- To qualify as full-time, a student must be registered for at least 12 credits for Fall Semester at the time of distribution.

- To qualify as part-time, a student must be registered for at least 6 credits, but no more than 11 credits for Fall Semester at the time of distribution.

- Students who receive a scholarship will be asked to send a thank you letter to one of the Foundation's donors. A letter with instructions and the donors name will be mailed to the student. You must have thank you letters returned to the President's Office by August 29, 2014. Recipients are also expected to attend a donor recognition event to be held December 2014. Information on this event will be mailed later in the year.

- Actual distribution of funds will be made through the PTC Business Services office, upon approval of Foundation Board. If you have a balance due on your PTC student account, the scholarship will be credited to your account. If not, refunds will be distributed on September 5, 2014.

- A student only needs to submit <u>one</u> Foundation Application. In an effort to assist the most students, scholarships will be limited to one per student.

Scholarship Helpful Hints and Tips

- Take note of the July 7, 2014 deadline and allow adequate time to complete the PTC Foundation Scholarship Application.

- Contact your references early to provide them with enough time to complete their section.

- Read the essay questions multiple times and take the time to organize your thoughts and ideas before you start writing.

- Be original. Write your essay with sincerity and from the heart.

- Give concrete examples when answering essay questions.

- Be sure to double check your essays for typos, correct grammar and punctuation.

- Re-read your essays to make sure that you are addressing all aspects of the essay question.

- *Have someone with strong writing and editing skills proofread your application prior to submission.*
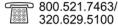
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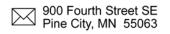
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- The same application will be used for both Bridging the Dream and Endowment Scholarships. Applicants should only submit one (1) application.
- Remember to <u>include two (2) references</u> with your application. Use forms provided.
- Deadline to submit this application is July 7, 2014. No exceptions.
- Please complete the information and turn completed applications into the Student Affairs office or fax to 320-629-5101.

Student Information
<u>We will use this information to contact you—be sure it is correct.</u>

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Last Name   First Name   Student ID (Leave Blank if Unknown)

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Address (**this will be used to contact you**)   Program Major

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City   State   Zip   County   Phone Number   Email

Essay Questions

Please answer the questions below in a separate, <u>typed</u> document and attach to this scholarship application before submitting. Include your name at the top of the typed page.

1) What degree / program of study are you pursuing at Pine Technical College and how does your PTC degree fit into intermediate and long-term goals?

2) In your opinion, what is the importance of your degree / program of study in today's society?

3) Reflect on the most significant challenge or accomplishment and the impact it has had on your life and future goals.

4) The BTD and Endowment scholarships wouldn't be available, if not for the generous donation of time and money from local people and businesses. Please explain what you have done to make your community a better place to live. Give examples of specific projects in which you have been involved over time.

I do_____do not_____authorize PTC to release information announcing my scholarship for publicity purposes.

I certify that the information provided in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge, and I will abide by the conditions set forth previously upon acceptance of this scholarship.

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Student Signature   Date

Reference Form

Applicant Name: _____

What is your relationship to the applicant?

_____ Academic   _____Personal   _____Employer   _____Other (specify)

I know this applicant:

_____Extremely Well   _____Very Well   _____Moderately Well   _____Not Well at All

Do you believe this applicant has the ability and determination to complete his/her educational objectives?

_____Yes   _____No   _____Unknown

Describe why you recommend this student for scholarship assistance. Illustrate the qualities and characteristics that set this applicant apart from others. For example, you may wish to describe accomplishments and/or hardships of the student.

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Name (please print)   Address (please print)

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