

RESOLUTION

On March 28th, 2005, with revisions made on 7/25/05, 7/28/08 and 2/25/19 and 4/27/2021 and 3/27/25 we the delegates of the Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council enacted the Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council "Opportunity Scholarship". The stated purpose of the "Opportunity Scholarship", hereafter referred to as "Scholarship", will be to encourage and support the children of Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council laborers in their pursuit of a higher education, in accordance with the rules and regulations set out herein.

1. **Eligibility** – Eligibility will be determined by the following five factors:

- A. The applicant must be the legal, dependent child of a Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council **Local's** member in good standing for the 12 months prior to the application deadline.
- B. The applicant must be a registered candidate for admission to an accredited two-year junior college in a program leading to an Associates Degree or its equivalent, in an accredited four-year college or university in a program leading to a bachelor's degree or its equivalent.
- C. Applicant must have a High School Diploma, a G.E.D. or be currently enrolled in a junior college, college or university and maintaining a 2.5 G.P.A.
- D. No applicant may apply for the Scholarship more than five times or receive the Scholarship more than two times. To be eligible for a second Scholarship, the applicant would have had to have maintained a 2.5 G.P.A. for the duration of the first Scholarship and have completed a minimum of 24 credit hours during this period.
- E. Applicants must submit three letters of recommendation to the **Local of which their parent is a member**, from individuals not related to the applicant by blood or marriage. One letter must be from a former or current teacher or counselor and one should be from a current or former officer of the local of which their parent is a member.
- F. By applying for this Scholarship, the applicant and his/her parent agree to have their e-mail addresses added to the MKLDC Action Network.

2. **Criteria** – Criteria for selection will be as follows.

Scholarships will be awarded to eligible applicants based upon their academic record, school activities, community activities, and letters of recommendation, their future potential, and the availability of Scholarships. There will be no discrimination in awarding of Scholarships based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or handicap.

3. **Amount and Number of Scholarships:**

This resolution limits the number of Scholarships to a maximum of **the number of MKLDC Locals** per year in the amount \$2,000 each. Scholarships shall be limited to one member of each Local per year. The number of Scholarships may vary year to year depending on qualified applicants but shall not exceed **the number of MKLDC Locals** in any given year. These Scholarships will be approved each year by the delegates to the District Council at the Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council's July meeting or there about.

4. Scholarship Committee:

The Scholarship Committee shall consist of the Executive Board of the Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council. It shall be this Committee that will make the final determinations of eligibility, who will receive the scholarships, and the number of scholarships to be given for that particular year. The decisions of this Committee shall be final. This Committee will approve the application to be used for these scholarships. It is this Committee that may adopt any rule changes, or changes to the regulations, as they deem necessary. This Committee will have the final say in interpreting and applying this Scholarship Resolution. The Secretary -Treasurer of the Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council will serve as Secretary of the Scholarship Committee and shall have the responsibility for the administration of the Scholarship program. The Business Manager of the Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council will serve as the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee. At the **July** Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council delegates' meeting, the Chairman will announce the names of the recipients of that year's scholarships.

5. Application Deadline:

The application deadline shall be the 30th of May prior to the fall semester of the year in which the scholarship is to be used. **Each Local Union shall** make its decisions as to who will receive that year's Scholarships **for their respective Local and submit that application and all applicable documents and/or letters to the Scholarship Committee for approval by June 15th**. Applicants will be notified of the Committee's decisions after the Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council's July delegates' meeting.

6. Payment of Scholarships:

Scholarships awarded under this program will be paid to the applicant's **school**, upon receipt of evidence satisfactory to the Chairman of the Committee that the applicant has been admitted, and has duly enrolled in, an eligible and accredited program. Every applicant for the Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council's Opportunity Scholarship shall, as a condition of eligibility sign an acknowledgement that he/she agrees to be bound by all the rules and regulations, and that any intentional false statement or intentional misrepresentation shall be grounds for forfeiture of their Scholarship.

7. Adoption: First adopted the 28th day of March 2005, **with first revision July 25, 2005.**

8. Revision: Revised this 28th day of July 2008.
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/s/ Nathan Rose

Nathan Rose, President

/s/ Timothy Bell

Timothy Bell, Secretary

/s/ Brandon Flinn

Brandon Flinn, Business Manager

Treasurer

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OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Instructions:

1. Type or print when filling out the application.
2. If extra space is needed to answer a question, attach a separate piece of paper to the application form. Complete your answer, making sure that you number each question that you expand upon.
3. The Scholarship Application should be mailed to your Local Union and must be postmarked no later than May 30th of the year for which the Scholarship will be used.
4. Transcripts and recommendation letters must be postmarked no later than **May 30th** of the year for which the scholarship would be used **and mailed to your Local Union.**

Application

Applicant's name: _____ Year scholarship would apply: _____

SSN: _____ Date of birth: _____

Address: _____ Telephone #: _____

_____ E-mail address: _____

Parent's name: _____ Local #: _____

Parent's SSN: _____ Telephone #: _____

Parent's E-mail address: _____

High school graduated from and year, or where and when you received your G.E.D. Enclose a copy of your high school transcript. _____

Are you currently enrolled in a college or university? If yes: Name, address, phone # and admission date. _____

School that scholarship will be used for. (Name, address, and phone #) _____

Major. If no major has been declared, what program or course of study are you pursuing?

List all high school (and college, if applicable) offices you have held, and what extra curricular activities you have participated in. _____

List any honors you have, or expect to receive, from your high school (and college, if applicable). Include dates. _____

List all your community activities you have engaged in while in high school (and college, if applicable). Include dates. _____

Attach an essay, one page or less, describing your goals and ambitions, your reasons for these goals, and how you intend on reaching these goals.

I hereby acknowledge that, as a condition of eligibility, I am bound by the terms and conditions of the resolution establishing the Missouri and Kansas Laborers' District Council Opportunity Scholarship, and the implementing rules and regulations. Further, I understand that any intentional false statement or intentional misrepresentation on the application form shall be grounds for forfeiture of the scholarship and/or disqualification for any future consideration.

Applicant's signature _____

Date _____