



**ROTARY CLUB OF POHNPEI – FSM
P.O. BOX 1861
KOLONIA, POHNPEI FM 96941**



COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION

2008-2009 School Year

I. PURPOSE:

The primary purpose of the Rotary Club of Pohnpei – FSM College Scholarship is to encourage FSM citizens to pursue a post-high school education. Any FSM citizen who is a high school senior, or a currently enrolled college student, or high school graduate (or GED) and is accepted to attend an accredited institution of higher education during the upcoming academic year will be considered.

II. NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS, AMOUNT & LIMITATIONS ON AWARDS:

Scholarships up to an amount of \$1,000 each will be awarded.

Each scholarship awarded is limited up to \$500 per semester. Funds will be distributed on a per semester basis, in the name of the student and the school, and may be used only for valid school-related expenses. Before any scholarship funds will be released for payment of second semester school-related expenses, each scholarship recipient must submit valid proof to the Rotary Club that the funds distributed for the first semester were used to pay for first semester valid school-related expenses; plus, the recipient's grade report (transcript) for the first semester must be submitted to and received by the Rotary Club by February 28, 2009. Additionally, registration verification for the second semester must be submitted. Such proof shall, at a minimum, consist of "paid" receipts, certified by the college or university.

III. ELIGIBILITY:

Any FSM citizen is eligible to apply, provided he/she will be, at the time of award, a high school graduate (or GED recipient) enrolled and attending, or accepted to attend, an accredited institution of higher education during the 2008-2009 school year.

To maintain eligibility to receive scholarship funds for the entire academic year, a recipient must be a full-time student enrolled in a degree program and must make academic progress toward his/her degree by successfully completing a full-time course load each semester that scholarship funds are received. A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale), or its equivalent, must be maintained to qualify for continued scholarship funds both semesters. **Upon receipt, grade reports (transcripts) for each semester must be sent to:**

Rotary Club of Pohnpei – FSM – Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 1861
Kolonias, Pohnpei, FM 96941
Fax: (691) 320-5502

Students attending institutions where the academic year is based on a system other than the semester system (e.g., a “term” system) must be enrolled for the equivalent of a full academic year at that institution.

IV. INITIAL QUALIFICATION & BASIS OF SELECTION:

A. Required:

1. Applicants must affirmatively show the need for financial assistance in pursuing higher education.
2. At a minimum, an applicant must have actively participated in at least one verifiable community service program within the past 12 months.
3. Applicants must submit a formal application (see College Scholarship Application form, attached), with all required documentation and letters of recommendation attached thereto. (See PART V)
4. An application containing false, misleading or incomplete information will be disqualified.

B. Recommended:

1. Applicant should be an individual who has impressed fellow students, members of the faculty, and/or members of the community as a person who is deserving of a chance to continue his/her education with the demonstrated ability, industriousness, dependability and determination to achieve his/her goals.
2. Applicant should show a true desire and ability to further his/her education, and should be an active participant in school and/or church and/or community activities that ultimately contribute to the betterment of his/her community.
3. Applicant should be an individual who plans, ultimately, to return to the FSM to live and work in her/her chosen profession.

V. APPLICATION DETAILS & DEADLINE:

1. To be considered, the Scholarship Committee must receive the application and all the following additional documentation no later than July 1, 2008.
2. College Scholarship Application Form must be filled in completely and accurately in the applicant’s own handwriting or typewritten. The completed form consists of:
 - Part I General Information
 - Part II Family/Financial Information
 - Part III Career Objectives
 - Part IV Honors & Awards/Community Service

3. Please be aware that the Scholarship Committee will consider correct English grammatical usage and spelling in all applications.
4. Three (3) letters of recommendation, preferably from teachers, counselors, school administrators or religious leaders must be received. Additionally, it is the applicant's responsibility to insure that the prospective educational institution completes and submits the attached Educational Expenses and Financial Resources form.
5. Proof of enrollment or acceptance at the applicable institution of higher education must be submitted.
6. Transcript of previous or current educational institution must be submitted.
7. Please remember that all mail service to/from Pohnpei can take two weeks or more, even within the FSM. Applicants should plan accordingly. Please send the four-page application plus all other required information to:

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VI. REVIEW AND INTERVIEW:

The Rotary Scholarship Committee will do initial screening of applications. After a thorough review and assessment of each candidate's information, finalists will be selected. When necessary in the sole discretion of the committee, candidates may be contacted for further information and/or interviews (which may be conducted in person or via telephone) prior to final selection.

VII. FINAL SELECTION:

Scholarship awards will be announced no later than August 10, 2008. All selections made by the Rotary Scholarship Committee will be final.

**For further information, please contact your school counselor,
Financial aid advisor or Rotary Club of Pohnpei Scholarship Committee.**

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PART I. GENERAL INFORMATION

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Address: _____
(No./Street/P.O. Box) (City) (State) (Zip code)

Telephone: () _____ email: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Place: _____ FSM S.S. # _____

Check one: Single _____ Married _____ Divorced _____ Widowed _____
If married, spouse's name and age: _____

Children: Yes _____ No _____
If yes, please list name and age of each:

PART II. FAMILY/FINANCIAL INFORMATION

1. Parents or Legal Guardians:
- (a) Name: _____ Relationship: _____
Employer: _____ Position: _____
- (b) Name: _____ Relationship: _____
Employer: _____ Position: _____

Please list all others living in your family household (include ages):

2. Please list household members employed and income(s): _____

3. Does your family have any unusual or extraordinary expenses? (e.g., medical expenses) Please explain:

4. Have you received or applied for any grants or other scholarships?

<u>Yes or No</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Pell: _____	_____
State: _____	_____
Mobil: _____	_____
Continental: _____	_____
Byrd: _____	_____
Others: _____	_____
_____	_____

5. How much are your tuition costs anticipated to be:

PART III. CAREER OBJECTIVES

1. **College/Area of Study/Career Objectives:** Please list (a) the name and address of the school you plan to attend/are attending; (b) your intended major and minor fields of study; and (c) your career objectives.

(a) School: _____

(b) Major: _____ Minor: _____

(b) Career Objectives: _____

2. **Letters of Recommendation:** Please list the name, address, phone no., position and relationship to you (if any) if each person you have asked to write letters of recommendation. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that these letters of recommendation are sent.

(a)

(b)

(c)

PART IV. HONORS & AWARDS/COMMUNITY SERVICE

1. **Honors & Awards:** Please list any honors and awards you have received (including any academic honors) and the date(s) you received them. (e.g., "PICS High School Honor Roll, 2006, 2007")

2. **Community Service/Extracurricular Activities:** Please list any community service projects in which you are/have been involved and your extracurricular activities, noting the dates of involvement:

3. **Please explain why your community service/extracurricular activities will assist you with your career goals:**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THE ABOVE (4) PAGES IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND ACCURATE.

Date: _____

Signed: _____

**ROTARY CLUB OF POHNPEI – FSM – SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
P.O. BOX 1861
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EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES FORM*

Student Name: _____

Address: _____

University Name: _____

Address: _____

Section A. EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES

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|---|----------|
| 1. Student Tuition: _____Resident _____Non-Resident _____NA | \$ _____ |
| 2. Test fees, application fees, Library fees, Lab fees, Student Body fees, etc. as required by the college: | \$ _____ |
| 3. Books, School and Laboratory supplies: | \$ _____ |
| 4. Room and Board for _____ months: (Specify) ___Dormitory ___ Off-Campus ___w/family | \$ _____ |
| 5. Health Insurance: | \$ _____ |
| 6. Miscellaneous personal expenses (e.g., clothing, pocket money, uniforms, etc.) | \$ _____ |
| 7. Transportation expenses – Describe: | \$ _____ |

TOTAL EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES \$ _____

Section B. FINANCIAL RESOURCES

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| 1. Pell Grant | \$ _____ |
| 2. Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG) | \$ _____ |
| 3. College Work-Study Program | \$ _____ |
| 4. Scholarship Grant awarded by College (identify): | \$ _____ |
| 5. Other scholarship award(s) (identify): | \$ _____ |
| 6. Parental support (a reasonable amount of support is expected) | \$ _____ |
| 7. Student's own resources: | \$ _____ |
| 8. Spouse's support: | \$ _____ |
| 9. Loans (identify): | \$ _____ |
| 10. Others (identify): | \$ _____ |

TOTAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES \$ _____

Financial Need: (subtract Section B from Section A) \$ _____

CERTIFICATION: To be signed by the Counselor, Advisor or Financial Aid Officer who assisted in the preparation of this form.

I HAVE REVIEWED THIS FORM WITH THE APPLICANT AND BELIEVE THAT THE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE. THE APPLICANT IS IN GOOD STANDING AND ACCEPTED FOR ADMISSION TO THE ACCREDITED POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FROM WHICH HE OR SHE IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE FUNDING.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

TITLE: _____ **official seal** **DATE:** _____

*(Note: This form must be received by the Rotary Scholarship Committee no later than July 15, 2008)

