

World Class

The Mediacom Scholarship Program

- **PLEASE READ THIS SECTION ON IMPORTANT TIPS BEFORE GOING ANY FURTHER.**
 - Use the correct application – photo copies are allowed. Do not use an application from a previous year.
 - Print neatly or type your application as clearly as possible. Unreadable name and address could prevent notification of status.
 - Make sure to include city, state and zip code.
 - Telephone number should include area code.
 - Put your full name on the top right hand corner of every item in the packet.
 - Fill in all blanks on the application. If it does not apply to you, use N/A.
 - Make sure all required items are included. If any part is missing, that will automatically disqualify you. And these **cannot** be accepted if mailed separately.
 - Application
 - Essay
 - Both references
 - Transcript
 - Make a copy of your total application packet for your records.
 - **USE AT LEAST A 9” X 11” ENVELOPE. DO NOT FOLD THE PACKET.**
 - **DO NOT USE STAPLES.** You may use paper clips.
 - Supply an active email or phone number where you can be reached in case of questions.
 - **DO NOT PUT PAPERS IN A BINDER OR FOLDER.** This will be removed and disposed of before going to judges.
 - **Do not include a photograph with your application.** This will be removed and disposed of before going to the judges.

World Class Scholarship FAQ

- **What is the World Class Scholarship Program**
 - A scholarship program begun in 2002 by Mediacom to aid graduating high school seniors with their expenses during their first year of college.
 - **How much is the scholarship?**
 - \$1,000.00
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- **Who is eligible?**
 - High School Seniors who are graduating in 2010 and live in the areas serviced by the North Central Division of Mediacom are eligible.

 - **How can I be sure if I live in an eligible area?**
 - There are three ways to find out if you are living in an eligible area
 - There is a list of the towns we service in the application. It shows all the towns where Mediacom is currently available. A copy is also available online at www.mediacomworldclass.com
 - Copies of the application are being mailed out to all high schools within the eligible area. If your school counselor receives a copy of the application, then you most likely are eligible.
 - If your town is serviced by the North Central Division of Mediacom, you will be eligible.

 - **What is needed to apply?**
 - Make sure all following items are in your packet before you send it out. Incomplete packets will be automatically rejected.
 - A completed copy of the application. Leave nothing blank. If a section does not apply to you, please fill in with “N/A”
 - A copy of your high school transcript – **Important:** this should not be sent separately. It must be in your packet when mailed.
 - Two references from your school. These do not have to be in sealed envelopes. **These MUST be sent in your packet. They will not be accepted if sent separately.**
 - A 500 word essay on “Leadership”.

 - **Do I have to use the Reference sheets in the application or will letters of recommendation be okay?**
 - The reference sheets use a number system in ranking you for judging purposes. It is required to have them filled out and sent in with your packet.
 - You may also include letters of reference in addition to the reference sheets.
 - The reference sheets must be included in your packet. They will not be accepted if sent separately.

 - **Can a photocopy of the application be used?**
 - Yes. You may also print out additional copies from the web site given above or make copies from an original.
 - Do not recreate application on computer as you may leave out important information.
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- **Does the copy of the transcript have to be certified?**
 - If possible, but it does not have to be sealed in a separate envelope. If, however, your school requires a sealed envelope, make sure it is included in the packet you sent to us. Do not send it separately.
 - **THE TRANSCRIPT MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE TOTAL PACKET. IT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IF SENT SEPERATELY.**

 - **What are you looking for in the essay?**
 - The essay should not be a list of your accomplishments. It should be a narrative that shows how you have learned leadership, how it has helped you, and how you use it to help others.
 - Two suggestions for the essay:
 - Avoid making it an “I” list, with everything starting with “I did...” or “I went...”
 - Be creative. Write something that will grab the judges’ attention.

 - **Is there anything else I can send that may be helpful to the judges?**
 - You may also include a list of achievements, awards, accomplishments and school clubs. This can be included with the list of community events and organizations with which you are involved. Remember; keep this list separate from your essay.

 - **What do you mean by community events and organizations?**
 - This would include church groups, civic groups, volunteer work, Boy or Girl Scouts, Special Olympics, etc. Any organization outside of school with which you are currently or have been involved.

 - **Would it help to send a resume?**
 - Do not send a resume with the applications. It will be removed from the application before going to the judges.

 - **The application says to get two references. Who should I ask for this?**
 - The references should come from teachers, coaches, sponsors, tutors, counselors, anyone who works with you on a day to day basis and can vouch for you and your abilities.
 - Use the forms supplied with the application for all references. The reference sheets use a number system in ranking you for judging purposes. It is required to have them filled out and sent in with your packet.

 - **What is the deadline for the application?**
 - The application and all other material must be mailed no later than February 20, 2010. We allow two weeks for all mail to come in, but anything with a postmark after the 20th will be automatically rejected.
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- **I plan to go to a vocational school. Am I still eligible?**
 - Yes. Any type of secondary training is eligible.

- **I will be a sophomore in college next year. Am I eligible?**
 - Only if you earned your college credits while still in high school. Once you have graduated high school and started college, you are no longer eligible.

- **Is the scholarship renewable?**
 - No. The Mediacom World Class Scholarship is a one-time, non-renewable award.

- **My parent works for Mediacom. Am I eligible?**
 - No. The dependents of Mediacom employees are not eligible. However, they are eligible for the 9/11 Memorial Scholarship that is given to dependents of employees. Your parents should contact their HR rep for more information.

- **When will the scholarships be awarded?**
 - The awards will be announced by April 15, 2010.

- **If I am awarded a scholarship, what do I have to do to get the money?**
 - If you are selected for a scholarship, the committee will notify you by letter. The letter will contain further instructions.

- **How will the scholarship money be paid?**
 - The money will be given directly to the students to use as they need for their college expense. This may be done by mail, or area Mediacom offices may choose to present them with the checks. More information will be available after recipients are chosen.

If you have any other questions concerning the Mediacom World Class Scholarship Program, please contact us at scholarship@mediacomcc.com.

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