



### **General Guidelines:**

1. Applicant must use the official RTC Scholarship form which has been dated and signed by the student. Applications must be complete and legible. Incomplete and illegible applications will not be considered.
2. Applications and all supporting documents must be in English.
3. ACT test scores should be included. Photocopies are acceptable.
4. A personal interview may be required depending on the number of qualified applicants.
5. Application deadline is April 13, 2012. **No Exceptions.**
6. **Applicants must submit (2) copies of the application material to:** RTC Scholarship Committee c/o Rye High School Futures Guidance Office.
7. RTC Scholarship Committee will not be held responsible for lost or misplaced applications.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

1. Only high school graduates will be eligible for the scholarship.
2. Only students of outstanding merit, who demonstrate a strong desire and appreciation of the value of an education, will be eligible for the RTC scholarship.
3. Two (2) letters of endorsement from responsible community members that are not related to the applicant. The recommendation letters should address leadership capabilities, notable skills, work ethic, and overall integrity of the applicant and why the applicant is deserving of the scholarship. Letters of recommendation must be typed on a single sheet paper 8.5 x 11, dated, and signed by the author.
4. Each applicant is required to submit an essay. The essay should be approximately 400 words, typed, 12-point font, double spaced with one-inch margins. Essays will be evaluated on technical accuracy (spelling, punctuation, grammar etc.) and how clearly students answer the questions. The selection committee is interested in unique, well-written and thoroughly proofed essays from applicants. Essays should clearly address the following topic.
  - a.) Describe your most significant accomplishment and explain why you believe it to be your most outstanding

5. Meet the minimum academic requirements listed below.

**Academic Requirements:** At time of submission, applicant must have a Grade Point Average (GPA) between 3.2 -3.8 and a minimum ACT composite score of 20.

**Amount and Duration of the Scholarship Award:** The award is for one year only in the amount of \$1000.00 and must be used in the first semester of college during the Fall semester *immediately* following high school graduation, taking a minimum of 12 academic credits at a Colorado institution of higher education. The payment of the scholarship funds will be disbursed upon proof of acceptance at an accredited Colorado institution. The scholarship funds will be mailed to the school in the recipients name when needed for enrollment.