



2012 IBC Education Foundation Scholarship Application

Sponsored by Colorado's Independent Community Banks and
the IBC Education Foundation

The IBC Education Foundation will award at least two (2) \$1,000 one-year scholarships, which is to be applied to the cost of tuition, fees and books at a **Colorado** public or private university or college, junior or community college or vocation/trade school. Payment will be made directly to the school following enrollment and after classes have begun. This is a statewide scholarship contest.

Eligibility

Students must be a full-time high school senior attending high school in Colorado. Students must have applied to and will attend a **Colorado** public or private university or college, junior or community college or vocational/trade school. The student or his/her parent(s) or guardian(s) may not be an employee of the IBC Education Foundation, Independent Bankers of Colorado, Independent Bankers Network or IBC-Insurance. **In addition, due to the far reaching possible ramifications of Amendment 41, Ethics in Government, that amended Colorado's Constitution, if the student or his/her parent(s) work for any city, state or county office, you may not be eligible for this scholarship contest if the Colorado General Assembly does not pass clarifying legislation. Before applying, please consult with your trusted advisor on this issue.**

Requirements

A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.

Student must attend a **Colorado** public or private university or college, junior or community college or vocational/trade school after high school graduation.

Either the student or parent(s)/guardian(s) have a banking relationship at an **IBC member bank or branch** for at least six months. To find out if your bank is an IBC member call 303/832-2000. **Please note the following financial institutions are NOT members of the IBC: Credit unions, Wells Fargo, Chase, KeyBank, USBank and Vectra.**

Application must be complete, typed and **signed by a representative at your bank.**

Student must answer the essay question.

Deadline for submission to your bank is Friday, March 16, 2012.

Selection of Scholarship Recipients

The IBC Education Foundation's independent committee will review all applications from IBC member banks and select at least two scholarship winners. Winners will be announced in late April 2012. The scholarships will *not* be based on financial need but on the quality of the application, references and essay response. Awards will be presented at the IBC Education Foundation's Annual Convention on Saturday, September 22, 2012 at the Vail Cascade Resort and Spa.

Along with the completed application, the student must also submit:

Official school transcript with SAT or ACT test scores (or both).

Three (3) letters of recommendation, one of which must be from a school counselor or a teacher.

Verification of acceptance to a **Colorado** public or private university or college, junior or community college or vocational/trade school (if available).

Student Checklist

Please submit the following in **ORDER** as listed below:

- _____ 1. Completed application and essay. Do **NOT** print or copy your application double-sided.
- _____ 2. **Three** letters of recommendation, one must be from a high school counselor or a teacher.
- _____ 3. **Official** school transcript with ACT or SAT college test scores (or both) included. Copies not accepted.
- _____ 4. Verification of acceptance to Colorado school, if available.
- _____ 5. Proper signatures where required.
- _____ 6. Application must be complete and either **printed** or **typed**. Essay **must** be **typed** and double-spaced.
- _____ 7. Return pages of application in correct order and do **NOT** copy/print double-sided.
- _____ 8. Please paper clip or acco clip your application. Do **NOT** staple or place in a binder.
- _____ 9. Return completed package to your bank on or before **Friday, March 16, 2012**.
- _____ 10. Do **NOT** return this sheet with your application. Return only pages 2-5.



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Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Date of Birth: _____

High School: _____

High School Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

High School Telephone Number: _____

Counselors' Name: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

GPA: _____ SAT/ACT Scores: _____ Class Rank: _____

Anticipated major in college: _____

Anticipated future occupation: _____

Father/Stepfather/Guardian (circle one): _____

Employer: _____

Mother/Stepmother/Guardian (circle one): _____

Employer: _____

List the Colorado college(s) or university(ies) you have applied to.

College	City	Accepted Y/N
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

List scholarships and/or financial aid you will receive.

Scholarships/Financial Aid	Comments
_____	_____
_____	_____

Name: _____

Volunteerism/Community Involvement

Volunteerism/Community Involvement								
Organization or Agency, City & Phone				Description and level of involvement				
Total Volunteer hours grade 9		Total Volunteer hours grade 10		Total Volunteer hours grade 11		Total Volunteer hours grade 12		Cumulative hours:
Volunteerism/Community Involvement								
Organization or Agency, City & Phone				Description and level of involvement				
Total Volunteer hours grade 9		Total Volunteer hours grade 10		Total Volunteer hours grade 11		Total Volunteer hours grade 12		Cumulative hours:
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If you need extra space to report any of the above information you may make additional copies as needed.

Name: _____

If there is anything additional you want the scholarship selection committee to know about you, include that information here:

Using a separate sheet of paper, type an essay on:

Think you're up to the challenge of our contest? Pick out a favorite topic in the news (other than celebrity), and put together an essay (two to three pages, double-spaced, with 12-point type) describing the economic concepts that pertain to that issue.

ESSAY GRADING CRITERIA

Essays will be graded using these five criteria: 1. **Comprehension:** How well does the essay reflect a thorough understanding of the economic issues of the topic? 2. **Organization:** Does the argument follow a logical and easily understood progression? Does the corroborating evidence support the essay's main points? 3. **Conclusions:** Do the conclusions follow logically from the argument? Are the conclusions compelling? 4. **Creativity:** Were diverse resources and ideas used to develop the main points? 5. **Writing Style:** Were concise language and correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation used?

**RETURN THIS APPLICATION WITH ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION AND
YOUR ESSAY TO YOUR BANK BY FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 2012.**

Bank Name: _____

Bank Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Bank Representative Name: _____

Bank Representative Signature: _____

Account Holder's Name: _____

Students' Signature: _____

Your Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Signature: _____

Thank you for banking and visiting your Colorado independent community bank and participating in this scholarship program. We wish you the best in your college career and future.

BANKERS –

The IBCEF will award at **least two** \$1,000 scholarships to deserving high school seniors – one to a child of a bank employee or an employee of a bank and one to a child of a bank customer (categories). This contest is available to all IBC member banks ONLY. There is NO cost to participate in this program.

Keep this essay. If you receive more than one essay, for a category, you must select which essay to send to the IBCEF. One scholarship from each category may be submitted per **BANK NOT** per branch (please coordinate with you locations. Once you have selected your application(s), mail the completed application(s) to: IBC Education Foundation, 1900 Grant Street, Suite 1120, Denver, CO 80203. Should you have any questions, please contact Maelynn Lewis at 303.832.2000. **Applications must be postmarked on or before Wednesday, March 30, 2012.**