**DCCSC Scholarship Application**

Please type. No handwritten applications will be accepted.

 The Democratic Central Committee of Siskiyou County (DCCSC) believes that an educated society is the best way to develop a strong democracy and that education is one of the best means for individuals to improve not only their own lives, but to contribute to a healthy society in diverse and productive ways.

 To support these beliefs, we offer a one-thousand-dollar ($1000) scholarship to a Siskiyou County graduate. (All high school, charter school, home school and continuation school graduates are eligible for this award).

**Qualifications:**

1. Must be registered or pre-registered as a Democrat in Siskiyou Co.
2. Must be a graduating senior from a Siskiyou County School with a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.5.
3. Must have submitted the fully completed application by the stated deadline.

**The Process:**

1. The selected recipient will receive the one-year scholarship in two

five hundred-dollar ($500) increments. One-half in the fall and one-half in the spring of the awarded year upon verification of enrollment in a college or trade school and documentation in the spring of satisfactory progress with a minimum GPA of 2.0 from the fall semester.

1. The selected student will be required to participate in fifteen (15) hours of activities/volunteer service with the DCCSC committee work, Grassroot Committee activities or some other Democratic organization’s activities. This commitment will recognize the recipient’s educational responsibilities first and foremost.
2. The scholarship award notification will be made in May or June 2023.

**Instructions:**

Submit the application attached by 5.00 pm **MARCH 31, 2023**. Be sure to respond to and provide supporting documents for all requirements I-VI.

 Provide as much information in all sections as possible to give the committee a full understanding of

 you, your high school experience and your goals.

 Return the completed application and supporting documents by the stated deadline to:

 Mail to P.O. Box 4

 Mt. Shasta, CA 96067

 OR

 Submit online to: Siskiyoudems@gmail.com

 OR

 Contact for questions or drop off: 530-859-1231 Scholarship Chairperson

DCCSC Application

I Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

High School Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Have you completed the FAFSA financial aid application and included the EFC page? Y\_\_\_ N\_\_\_

School where you plan to attend next year? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Intended Major\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Career Goal\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are you registered to vote (or pre-registered)? Y \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ N\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

II Essays

In addition to the information above please give answers to the following questions in an essay/summary form. Please use a minimum of TEN SENTENCES to answer these questions. Use additional paper if necessary.

1. Write a statement about yourself. Include information about your background, interests, hobbies, and any other pertinent information.
2. Please tell us about what you have learned from any educational or extracurricular activities, classes, community service or athletics in which you participated in high school or in which you are currently involved. What paid or volunteer work have you done or are currently doing? How has it related to your future educational/career goals?
3. Please tell us what a college education means to you and why you have applied for this scholarship. Discuss your future goals, financial need, and in what ways this scholarship award will help you.
4. Tell us what Democratic values or issues you are most concerned about and how you plan to address these in your life, college activities or community involvement in your future.

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III Activities Chart

Use the attached chart (Appendix A) to list awards, honors, extra-curricular activities, athletic achievements, leadership experiences, volunteer work, employment, personal achievement awards, etc.

IV Letters of Recommendation

Submit two (2) letters of recommendation. One (1) from counselor/teacher or other school personnel and one (1) from a community member. No letters from family members will be accepted. The letters should be recent (nothing older than one year).

V EFC Page from financial aid application

Submit a copy of the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) page from the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

VI Transcripts

 Submit a copy of high school transcripts. If you have taken college classes also include a

 copy to those transcripts as well. These may be official or unofficial transcripts.

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**Appendix A**

**Activities Chart** (copy for addition pages as necessary)

**Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **School/Family/Community Activities/Awards/employment** | **Dates****From--to** | **Hours per week or month** | **Responsibilities/Accomplishments** |
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**Appendix B**

**Incomplete Applications Will Not be Considered**

\_\_\_\_(initial) I understand all questions have been answered and forwarded with the application. If the application is not complete it will not be considered.

I have included: (check as completed)

\_\_\_\_\_Typewritten application

\_\_\_\_\_Answers to all essay questions

\_\_\_\_\_Activities page --- Appendix A

\_\_\_\_\_Transcripts: high school and college if applicable (official or unofficial)

\_\_\_\_\_Two (2) letters of recommendations: one from a school counselor, teacher, or other school personnel, and one from an employer or community member. No letters from family members. Letters should be recent.

\_\_\_\_\_Copy of EFC (estimated family contribution) page from FAFSA

\_\_\_\_\_Signed Appendix B (this form).

**Confidential Release of Information**

\_\_\_\_\_(Initial) I authorize the Democratic Central Committee of Siskiyou County (DCCSC) to use and release information regarding your application, and your photo, if you should receive this award.

**Satisfactory Academic Progress**

\_\_\_\_(Initial) I understand that this scholarship award will be paid in two installments (fall and spring).

I understand that if satisfactory academic progress is not met at the conclusion of the Fall Semester, I will not be eligible to receive the award balance for the second semester. I will provide evidence of completing 12 units with a 2.0 GPA or higher in the first semester of this scholarship award.

I have read and understand the information and requirements for the DCCSC Scholarship.

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 (Signature of Applicant)

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