



New England Regional Council of Carpenters **2010 Scholarship Eligibility and Guidelines**

Eligibility

1. Members in good standing and dependent children of members in good standing from any Local of the Council are eligible to apply. Grandchildren are eligible only if the grandparent is the legal guardian of the student. Children who are not legal dependents of a member are not eligible. Children of members who died within five years prior to January 1, 2010 are eligible.
2. Applicants must be enrolled in a post high school program.
3. College level programs must consist of at least three courses of three credits each.
4. Courses in technical or specialty schools such as automotive training, computer training, etc. can qualify if the program is at least six months in duration, is full-time, and awards a certificate or diploma upon completion.
5. Students must have a "C" average to apply.
6. Students can apply for a scholarship each year throughout their undergraduate years (not to exceed four years). The Committee will have the final say as to a particular student's eligibility.
7. Graduate students and students working toward a second bachelor's degree are not eligible.

Application process

Applicants will be required to write an essay of between 500 and 1000 words on the following topic:

We are in the midst of the worst recession in many years. Economists and policy-makers across the political spectrum have offered a variety of opinions about what measures should be adopted to revive the economy and create jobs. Summarize some of the main perspectives and offer your own opinion on the pros and cons of the various arguments.

Applicants should submit the completed essay, application form and most recent transcript of grades by 5:00 p.m. on April 16, 2010 to NERCC Scholarship, ATTN: Malerie Anderson, 750 Dorchester Ave., Boston, MA 02125. Applications received after April 16, 2010 will not be eligible.

To eliminate bias, the scholarship committee is blind to the identity of the applicant. Essays are numerically coded to prevent any reader from having knowledge of the writer. Winners of the top two prizes will be asked to read their essays at the June 2010 delegate meeting. Persons awarded first or second place in a prior year are ineligible for first or second place in subsequent years.