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**VOCATIONAL / TRADE SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

**Date**: January 13, 2025

**To**: Member City High Schools in Polk, DeSoto, Hardee, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Highlands Counties

**From**: Robert R Green, Executive Director

The Ridge League of Cities will award five **$1,250 scholarships** to high school seniors who intend to learn a trade, and/or get a vocational certification or degree from either Hillsborough Community College, Pasco – Hernando State College, Polk State College, South Florida State College, Ridge Technical College, or Travis Technical College. Student application form attached.

Your school is asked to appoint a selection committee to choose **one** applicant from your school who is, in the opinion of the committee, the most deserving. **The Ridge League will only accept one application submitted from each school. Scholarship applicants will be judged on the required Statements, Community Service, Financial Need, GPA and Leadership.** Deadline for receiving applications is on or before April 11, 2025. Please send the application to the following address: Robert R. Green, Executive Director, Ridge League of Cities, P.O. Box 448, Auburndale, FL 33823. Please mark envelope “Vocational - Trade Scholarship”.

Scholarship monies will be given directly to the school accepting the student. For your information, the following cities make up the membership of the Ridge League of Cities:

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| Arcadia | Dade City | Frostproof | Lakeland | Wauchula |
| Auburndale | Davenport | Haines City | Mulberry | Winter Haven |
| Avon Park | Dundee | Lake Alfred | Plant City | Zephyrhills |
| Bartow | Eagle Lake | Lake Hamilton | Polk City | Zolfo Springs |
| Bowling Green | Fort Meade | Lake Wales | Sebring |  |
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\*REMINDER: Send only one application from your school. Double-check to make sure the application is completed in its entirety. The items included with your application must be 1) Statement of educational and career goals; 2) Statement of activities and leadership in community and school; 3) Statement of financial need; and 4) two one-page recommendation letters PLEASE DO NOT STAPLE OR FOLD.

**RIDGE LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC.**

**VOCATIONAL - TRADE SCHOLARSHIP - STUDENT APPLICATION**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ SS#: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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

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Cell phone number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent or guardian phone number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How long has applicant been a resident of the State of Florida: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOOL INFORMATION**

Name of high school: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant’s employment history -. (Add sheets as needed)

Name of employer: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address of employer: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Dates of employment: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Job description: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Number # of hours working per week: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Number # of hours working per week: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**OTHER INFORMATION**

Name of state college/trade school at which you plan to use scholarship:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State/Community College,

Ridge Technical College\_\_\_\_\_, Traviss Technical College\_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for admission? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Intended trade and field of study/degree/certification: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Will be attending school full-time: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ part-time: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Intended enrollment date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

High School GPA \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Community Service Hours\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Other financial aid or scholarships you have applied for or been awarded: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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Special honors or awards: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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\*Provide a clear and concise **statement** (font size 12) about your educational and career goals and how this scholarship, if awarded, would help you attain these goals, ½ page limit.

\*Provide a clear and concise **statement** about your activities/leadership in community and school**.**

\*Provide a clear and concise **statement** about your financial need for the scholarship, ½ page limit.

**\*Two letters** of recommendation limited to one page must accompany this application. Sources should include one school contact and one community contact (relatives are not acceptable).

**I CERTIFY THAT ALL OF THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.**

Applicant’s signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_