

CYPRESS COLLEGE FOUNDATION

2016 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(You must use the 2016 application form; earlier versions will not be accepted)



*Applications available in the Cypress College Foundation office,
the Cypress College Financial Aid office or online at
www.cypresscollege.edu*

MINIMUM SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- 9 or more units completed at Cypress College by the end of the fall 2015 semester
- Cypress College grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher
- Complete a minimum of 9 units in the spring 2016 semester at Cypress College
- Will enroll at Cypress College in the fall 2016 semester with a minimum of 9 units (Exceptions: those applying for the limited number of transfer scholarships)
- Resident of the state of California

GENERAL INFORMATION

Scholarship awards generally range from \$250 to \$1,000, with some as high as \$1,800. All candidates who include a legible email address on their application will be notified by email, by mid- April, 2016. Those who have won scholarships will be invited to participate in our annual ceremony on May 16, 2016. Most scholarship funds are held until fall enrollment is verified and after the fall drop- date has passed (usually about the third week of the fall semester). However, a few scholarship checks are distributed at the scholarship ceremony in May.

DIRECTIONS

- ***Complete application.*** It is extremely important that the scholarship application is 100% complete, and that the directions are followed to the letter. Failure to answer *every* question, in the exact manner required, will result in your application being disqualified.
- ***It is strongly recommended, though not required, that you attach a letter of recommendation from an NOCCCD faculty or staff member.*** This letter cannot be from anyone who sits on the scholarship committee and ***must*** be from a faculty or staff member from North Orange County Community College District (Cypress College, Fullerton College, School of Continuing Education or NOCCCD District offices).
- ***Attach a copy of your Cypress College transcripts.*** The transcripts may be unofficial and can be printed from MyGateway. If you do not attach your transcripts, your application will be disqualified.
- **Submit application no later than 5 pm, Wednesday, February 17, 2016, to the FINANCIAL AID OFFICE.** Faxes will not be accepted. Applications may be mailed, but postmarks are not proof of delivery. Applications must be stamped as accepted by the Financial Aid office prior to **5 pm, Wednesday, February 17, 2016 – no exceptions**, regardless of the mailing date.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Choose one: Mr. Ms.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Student ID: @ _____ Email: _____

Do **NOT** list your Social Security number in place of your student ID number.
If you do not know your student ID number, check with the Admissions and Records Office.

EDUCATION

Cypress College units completed to date: _____ GPA: _____

Units enrolled (or planning to enroll) in for Spring 2016 semester: _____

Units complete from other colleges: _____ Degrees earned: _____

Major: _____ If RN, Psych Tech, Rad Tech, Dental Hygiene or Mort Sci
major, have you been officially accepted into the program? Yes No

Career Goal: _____

Do you plan to enroll in Fall, 2016 semester at Cypress College? _____

If so, how many units will you enroll in? _____

STUDENT'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Mark one: Single Married

Do you reside with your parent(s)? Yes No **(If yes, complete the box below)**

Are you dependent on them for any expenses? Yes No

How many other dependent children live at home? _____

Father's occupation: _____ Monthly Gross Salary \$ _____

Mother's occupation: _____ Monthly Gross Salary \$ _____

Do you have dependent children? No Yes Ages: _____

STUDENT'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

Your occupation: _____ Monthly gross salary \$ _____

Spouse's occupation: _____ Monthly gross salary \$ _____

Do you receive a Board of Governor's fee waiver (BOGG)? _____

Current Pell Grant and/or Cal Grant amount received per semester \$ _____

List your employment since **June of 2015**:

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Job Title</u>	<u>Dates (from/to)</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>

ESSAY

On a separate sheet of paper, please submit *typed* answers to the following questions. Limit your answers to a maximum of three (3) double-spaced, typed pages.

******Handwritten essays will be disqualified******

- 1) List and explain all pertinent information relating to your participation in extra-curricular activities. Include college activities (student government, committees, clubs, intercollegiate athletics) and community activities (church, service clubs, volunteer work.) If you do not participate in any extracurricular activities, please explain.

- 2) If you have more than 90 units complete, please explain why you have not yet transferred. **Your application will be disqualified if you do not address this question.**

- 3) Please describe in essay form:
 - a. The character traits you possess that have helped you to overcome personal adversity

 - b. Your degree of commitment to pursue a college education

 - c. How you anticipate making a contribution to society

RELEASE

If the below release is not signed and dated, your application will be disqualified.

I hereby authorize release of all the foregoing scholarship and transcript information to any organization or individual involved in the selection of scholarship recipients. I also give permission to release my name to the donor and to media outlets for publicity purposes. Additionally, I understand that my picture will be taken and may be used in campus publications.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Foundation Scholarship Check-List:

- _____ Meet qualifications (9 units complete fall, 2015; 9 units in progress spring 2016; returning with a minimum of 9 units fall 2016 *exception: transfer student*; minimum GPA 2.5)

- _____ All questions answered and all answers legible. No questions left blank.

- _____ Unofficial transcripts attached

- _____ Essay typed, double-spaced, one-inch margins all around, 12 pt font, no more than three pages.

- _____ Optional letter of recommendation from an NOCCCD staff or faculty member (maximum of two)

- _____ Application signed and dated

- _____ All pages of the application and all additional sheets stapled together. Do not put into report cover or binder.