

## **Local 3 Scholarship Foundation Contest Rules for 2012**

*Applications available at district offices, Credit Union branches and online at [www.oe3.org](http://www.oe3.org)*

The Local 3 Officers, Executive Board and the Scholarship Board of Directors understand that the workplace is rapidly changing, and many jobs require skills that can be attained only with a good education. Local 3 is dedicated to giving our young people the opportunity to succeed by providing them with the chance to further their education and training. For this reason, Local 3 awards annual scholarships to sons, daughters, stepchildren and foster children of Local 3 members.

Local 3 awards two types of scholarships: *Academic Scholarships* (winners are judged based on academic qualifications) and *Merit Scholarships* (winners are selected through a random raffle drawing).

### **WHO MAY APPLY**

Children (sons, daughters, stepchildren, and foster children) of Local 3 members may apply for the scholarships. The parent of the applicant must be a member for at least one year immediately preceding the date of the application. Grandchildren are only eligible to apply if their grandparent (member) is their legal guardian. Children of deceased members are eligible to apply for the scholarships, if the parent of the applicant was a member for at least one year immediately preceding the date of death.

### **ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS**

Six college scholarships will be awarded to children of Local 3 members:

- First place: Two scholarships of \$4,000 each will be awarded to the first-place female and male applicant, with an additional \$2,000 for the second, third and fourth years of college if they remain full-time students. (*\$10,000 total*)
- Second place: Two scholarships of \$3,000 each will be awarded to the second-place female and male applicant, with an additional \$1,500 for the second, third and fourth years of college if they remain full-time students. (*\$7,500 total*)
- Third place: Two scholarships of \$2,000 each will be awarded to the third-place female and male applicant, with an additional \$1,000 for the second, third and fourth years of college if they remain full-time students. (*\$5,000 total*)

These scholarships can only be used for study at an accredited college or university located in the United States and will not impose restrictions of any kind on the course of study. Recipients may accept any other grants or awards that do not rule out scholarship aid from other sources. Winners must submit proof of full-time enrollment to receive payment for the second, third and fourth years.

The applicants *must be senior high school students* who have, or will be, graduated at the end of either the fall semester (beginning in 2011) or the spring semester (beginning in 2012) in public, private or parochial schools, plan to attend an accredited college or university anywhere in the United States during the academic year and are able to meet the academic requirements for entrance in the university or college of their choice. Students selected for a scholarship must have achieved not less than a 3.0 (“B”) weighted grade point average in their high school work.

Applications will be accepted between *January 1, 2012 and March 31, 2012*.

## **AWARDING ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS**

Upon receipt of the application and required forms, Local 3 will not exercise any choice among the various applicants or indicate in any way that one applicant should be favored over another. The University of California Berkeley Scholarship Selection Committee will submit recommendations for finalists to the Scholarship Foundation's Board of Directors. The list of potential winners and their qualifications will be reviewed by the Board, and the winners will be selected.

Academic scholarship winners will be announced at Local 3's June Executive Board meeting. Checks will be deposited in the winning students' names at the college or university they plan to attend.

Applicants who are not selected for an academic scholarship will automatically be eligible for OE3 Merit Scholarships, which are awarded through a raffle drawing; therefore, only one application is required. Merit Scholarships will be awarded at Local 3's July Executive Board meeting. Applicants need not be present to win.

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

All of the following items must be postmarked by March 31, 2012:

1. **APPLICATION & ESSAY** must be filled out and returned by the applicant.
2. **REPORT ON APPLICANT AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT** must be filled out by the high school principal or person he or she designates and returned directly to Local 3 by the official completing it. Transcripts must be official.
3. **LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION** must be submitted by the applicant. One to three letters of recommendation from teachers, community leaders, family friends, or others who know the applicant must give information about the applicant's character and ability. Please submit all letters of recommendation with the application.
4. **PHOTOGRAPH** must be submitted by the applicant. It should be a recent photograph, preferably 2 inches by 3 inches, with the applicant's name written on the back. Professional photographs, such as senior portraits, are preferred. (The photo should be clear enough to reproduce in the *Engineers News*.)
5. **NEWSPAPER INFORMATION** must be submitted by the applicant. Provide the name and phone number of a local newspaper, so that we can send a press release if the applicant is selected as a winner.

## **MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS**

In addition to the four academic scholarships, Local 3's Scholarship Foundation will award 25 \$1,000 Merit Scholarships. Children of Local 3 members who plan to attend college or trade school are eligible to apply. The Merit Scholarships winners will not be judged on academic qualifications but instead be selected through a raffle drawing held at Local 3's July Executive Board meeting. Applicants need not be present to win; winners will be notified by Local 3. All applicants who apply for the Local 3 academic scholarships and do not win will automatically qualify for this drawing; therefore **a second application is not necessary.**

Applications will be accepted from January 1, 2012 to March 31, 2012. Previous winners are not eligible to apply.

## **WHERE TO GET APPLICATIONS**

OE3 Academic and Merit Scholarship applications are available at the local's district offices, Credit Union branches and online at [www.oe3.org](http://www.oe3.org). *It is the applicant's responsibility to submit the application to the address below, postmarked no later than March 31, 2012:*

**James K. Sullivan**  
**Recording-Corresponding Secretary**  
**Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3**  
**1620 South Loop Road**  
**Alameda, CA 94502-7090**