

## WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

## **Scholarship Application**

**Background:** The Jonesboro Regional Chamber of Commerce Workforce Development Committee will award a scholarship to a graduating high school senior(s) from the Jonesboro region. The awardee(s) will be enrolled at ASUN Jonesboro Campus with the intention of pursuing a technical certificate in one or more of the three programs listed below, with a goal of working in manufacturing in the Jonesboro area.

- Advanced Manufacturing Technology
- Industrial Maintenance
- Welding

## **Application Requirements:**

- Applicants must write a 200-word essay about why they wish to pursue a career in manufacturing, and how earning their credential(s) from ASUN Jonesboro will help them achieve their goals, both short-term and long-term. The essay must also include how the applicant intends to fund his/her education.
- Applicants must complete the current year's FAFSA (ASUN School Code: 042034).
- Applicants must be enrolled at ASUN Jonesboro Campus in one of the technical programs listed above.

The awards will be made each academic year and the opportunity to submit applications will be announced on March 1 on years funding is available.

**Award Amount:** Award amount will be determined each year according to funding available and will be announced at the onset of the application process. The scholarship is a one-time award and is not renewable.

**Selection Process:** Each participating high school will use their self-determined selection process to select one finalist who has met the application requirements above. The school counselor will submit their finalist's application to the Workforce Development Committee (via srandall@jonesborochamber.com) by June 1. The Workforce Development Committee will make one or more selections according to funding available, and will announce the scholarship recipient(s) by July 15.

**Award Notification & Payout:** The scholarship recipient(s) will be notified by July 15 in writing by the Workforce Development Committee. The award process will include a public signing of acceptance and therefore will require a media release (please see the next page). The awardee(s) will receive the scholarship payout by way of tuition credit at ASUN.

Please note that the technical programs eligible for this scholarship may be adjusted as needed pursuant to strategic target industries and employer needs, at the discretion of the Jonesboro Regional Chamber of Commerce.



Applicant Must Complete This Section
Student Name:
Mailing Address:
City, State, Zipcode:
Email Address:
Telephone Number:
Finalist from which high school?
ASUN ID Number:
ASUN Technical Program Intent:
Student's Signature*: Date:
* As a scholarship applicant, I consent to the use of my photograph/image in any literature or media, including social media, and to my contact information being shared with potential employers associated with the Jonesboro Regional Chamber of Commerce Workforce Development Committee.  Please attach the 200-word essay to this application (referred to on page 1 of this application) and
submit it and this application to your high school counselor.
High School Counselor Must Complete for FINALIST ONLY  With my signature below, I verify that this student was selected as our school's finalist.
High School Counselor's Signature**: Date:
**The high school counselor's signature is required to verify this student is the selected finalist from his/her high school and will submit the selected finalist's application by June 1 <sup>st</sup> to Shelle Randall at the Jonesboro Regional Chamber of Commerce at <a href="mailto:srandall@jonesborochamber.com">srandall@jonesborochamber.com</a> . The student will then be included in the applicant pool along with all finalists from area high schools. The scholarship recipient will be selected from the pool.
For the Jonesboro Regional Chamber of Commerce's Workforce Development Committee to Complete
Selected Not Selected Award Amount
Date Student was notified of the decision by (initials)