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RCTA SCHOLARSHIP

RIVERSIDE CITY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The Riverside City Teachers Association is awarding **MULTIPLE** \$500, \$1000, and \$1,500 scholarships. This opportunity is not solely limited to students graduating from Riverside Unified School District high schools in May, 2019, but also applies to sons and daughters of RCTA members, no matter from which high school he or she may be graduating.

Students selected for consideration will be applicants who demonstrate excellence in academics (an overall 3.0 GPA or higher) and who have shown leadership in community activities or in Riverside Unified Schools.

Students must demonstrate a commitment to further education in a recognized vocational program or academic institution. While no specific discipline or major is required, preference will be given to applicants who express an interest in pursuing a teaching career.

The financial need of the applicant shall be considered by the Selection Committee. However, need shall not be a primary criteria for selection.

All applications will be reviewed by a Selection Committee approved by the Riverside City Teachers Association. The Committee will read and review all applications, transcripts, and letters of recommendation.

The names of the Scholarship recipients shall be announced prior to graduation each year.

The Deadline for this application is Friday, March 22 at 5 PM.

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Criteria:

1. Student must be a graduating senior (May 2019 graduate).
2. Student must have demonstrated academic excellence with an overall 3.0 or better G.P.A.
3. Student must have shown leadership in school/community activities.
4. Student must have a firm commitment to further his/her education at a recognized vocational or academic institution of his/her choice. (This will be verified by your registration receipt given by that school at the time of registration.)
5. Student must complete a short essay (TYPED), describing their ambitions, goals, growth experiences, educational and/or vocational goals.
6. Student must submit an official sealed current high school transcript including SAT/ACT scores and AP test scores with application.
7. Preference will be given to applicants interested in pursuing a teaching career.
8. Please complete and return the application by **Friday, March 22 @ 5pm** to the RCTA Office, 3556 Central Avenue, Riverside, CA 92506, **Attention: Scholarship Committee**.
9. Students must request two letters of recommendation from teachers or administrators. (Only counselors should fill out the counselor recommendation form not a letter of recommendation.)

NOTE: PLEASE USE THE CHECKLIST AT THE END OF THIS PACKET.

RCTA Scholarship Rubric 2018-2019

Instructions for Scholarship Judge Committee:

- A. The Judge Panel is comprised of RCTA members from high school, elementary and middle school.
- B. Each Judge must complete a rubric for each student applicant.
- C. Point value range depending on each criteria stated below –
 - 1. Transcript – 15 points
 - 2. Distinctions (Awards, School Activities, Community Service or Employment) – 20 points
 - 3. Counselor’s Report – 15 points
 - 4. Letters of Recommendation – 20 points
 - 5. Applicant’s Essay – 30 points
 - 6. Guardian/Parent RCTA Member – 5 points
 - 7. Entering Teaching Profession – 5 points

Component 1: Transcript (0-15 points)

Level 1 0-3 points	Level 2 4-8 points	Level 3 9-15 points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student taken classes that are easier instead of taking challenging classes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student taken classes that are harder courses and got by on natural ability more than effort and persistence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student take classes that are challenging based on his or her abilities and goals and performed well at those higher challenges • List of AP Test with a 3 or better and /or College Board printout

Component 1, Total Points: ____/15

Component 2: Distinctions (0-20 points)

Level 1 0-5 points	Level 2 6-10 points	Level 3 11-20 points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides little or no evidence of awards related to academics and/or leadership, involvement to extracurricular activities and involvement in volunteer work, employment, or membership in clubs outside of school • Includes awards not related to academics and/or leadership, extracurricular activities, volunteer work, employment, or membership in clubs outside of school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides student’s awards related to academics and leadership, extracurricular activities, volunteer work, employment, or membership in clubs outside of school, but does not include either the year(s) or grade(s) when awarded • Awards are not listed in chronological order Please note: the student may list by grade (9th, 10th, 11th) or by year (2015,2016,2017) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes clear and detailed list of academic or leadership honors, list of extracurricular activities, volunteer work, employment, or membership in clubs outside of school and either the years(s) or grade(s) when awarded • Awards are listed in chronological order Please note: the student may list by grade (9th, 10th, 11th) or by year (2015,2016,2017)

Component 2, Total Points: ____/20

Component 3: Counselor’s Report (0-15 points)

Level 1 0-3 points	Level 2 4-8 points	Level 3 9-15 points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides few positive observations about the student and their academic ability • Provides few positive observations about the student and their leadership ability • Fails to present an unbiased assessment of student’s potential • Academic Rigor is missing • Fails to mention the RCTA scholarship program specifically and reads as a generic recommendation for use on all scholarship applications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides positive observations about the student and their academic ability, but does not identify specific examples of accomplishments • Provides positive observations about the student and their leadership ability, but specific examples of accomplishments are not directly related to the observations • Presents an unbiased assessment of student’s ability and potential, but lacks enthusiasm • Provided some information regarding academic rigor • Recommendation mentions the RCTA scholarship program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearly indicates positive and enthusiastic observations regarding the student and their academic ability and provides examples related to those observations • Clearly indicates positive and enthusiastic observations regarding the student and their leadership abilities and provides examples related to those observations • Provided information regarding academic rigor • Recommendation is specific to the RCTA scholarship program

Component 3, Total Points: ____/15

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Component 4: Letters of Recommendation (0-20 points)

Level 1 0-5 points	Level 2 6-10 points	Level 3 11-20 points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides few positive observations about the student and their academic ability Provides few positive observations about the student and their leadership ability Fails to present an unbiased assessment of student's potential Fails to mention the RCTA scholarship program specifically and reads as a generic recommendation for use on all scholarship applications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides positive observations about the student and their academic ability, but does not identify specific examples of accomplishments Provides positive observations about the student and their leadership ability, but specific examples of accomplishments are not directly related to the observations Presents an unbiased assessment of student's ability and potential but lacks enthusiasm Recommendation mentions the RCTA scholarship program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly indicates positive and enthusiastic observations regarding the student and their academic ability and provides examples related to those observations Clearly indicates positive and enthusiastic observations regarding the student and their leadership abilities and provides examples related to those observations Recommendation is specific to the RCTA scholarship program

Component 4: Total Points: ____/20

Component 5: Applicant's Essay (0-30 points)

Level 1 0-5 points	Level 2 6-15 points	Level 3 15-30 points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unclear or inconclusive evidence of student's intent to pursue a post-secondary education Lacks clear plans for future leadership Provides little or no evidence of establishing, supporting and developing the subjects Provides little or no evidence of logical sequencing Fails to vary the length of sentences, frequently reuses words, or misconstrues word meanings Fails to stay within the 250 word limit by more than 20 words Essay contains more than one misspelling Essay contains more than one grammatical error 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifies student's intent to pursue a post-secondary education Provides evidence of plans for future leadership Provides general support and development of the subjects Includes some logical sequencing Varies the length of sentences but often reuses words Fails to stay within the 250 word limit by more than 20 words Essay contains more than one misspelling Essay contains more than one grammatical error 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly indicates the student's intent to pursue a post-secondary education Clearly addresses the plans for future leadership Addresses and develops the subjects clearly, providing support for statements Includes logical arrangement of information, and smoothly segues from one subject to another Provides varied sentence length and vocabulary use Stays within the 250 word limit Essay contains no misspellings Essay contains no obvious grammatical errors

Component 5, Total Points: ____/30

Component 6: Guardian/Parent RCTA Member (0 or 5 points)

Level 1 0 points	Level 2 5 points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student's guardian/parent is not an RCTA Member 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student's guardian/parent is an RCTA Member

Component 6: Total Points: ____/5

Component 7: Entering Teaching Profession (0 or 5 points)

Level 1 0 points	Level 2 5 points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student will not enter the teaching profession 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will enter the teaching profession

Component 7: Total Points: ____/5

Total Points Awarded _____ (110 points)

Applicant ID: _____ Evaluator _____

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

This **TYPED** application form with attached essay, transcript, two letters of recommendation and the counselor's recommendation must be received at the RCTA office by **Friday, March 22, by 5:00 p.m.**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Applicant's Name:

(Last)

(First)

(M.I.)

Home Address:

(Street)

(City)

(Zip)

(Phone #)

(E-Mail Address)

High School Attending:

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Please list your **in-school** activities (extracurricular, sports, club, yearbook, newspaper, etc.):

Activity	Years of Involvement	Distinctions (Honors, awards, Positions held)
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Please list your **outside school** activities (community service, work experience, church involvement, etc.):

Activity	Years of Involvement	Distinctions (Honors, awards, Positions held)
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Essay: Write a brief personal letter (typed no more that 250 words) stating your reasons for wanting to attend college or what your ambitions and hopes are for the future. Please sign and date your essay before returning.

Please Attach Essay

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COUNSELOR RECOMMENDATION FORM

Name of Applicant _____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

School _____

Home Address _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

How long has applicant attended your school? _____

On what do you base your estimate of applicant?

Personal Acquaintance _____ School Records _____ Report of Instructors _____

Has student been one of the leaders in recognized extracurricular activities in your school?

List the activities:

Do you believe applicant will carry vocational or college classes successfully?

With what degree of confidence do you recommend applicant for a scholarship?

High _____ Good _____ Fair _____

Please give your personal estimate of the applicant: _____

NOTE: Counselors can attach extra pages to illustrate student's over-all academic career.

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Counselor's Recommendation

Student's Name: _____ Overall G.P.A. _____

Personal Rating of Applicant

	OUTSTANDING	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	NO OPINION
ACADEMIC PREPARATION					
ACADEMIC MOTIVATION					
CHARACTER & INTEGRITY					

Please include information regarding the student's academic rigor throughout his/her high school career.

Please feel free to add any further comments about student. (Special circumstances, family situation, financial circumstances, etc.)

Counselor's Name _____

Signature of Counselor _____

Date: _____

PLEASE RETURN TO:

Scholarship Committee
c/o Riverside City Teachers Association
3558 Central Avenue
Riverside, CA 92508

BY FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2019 BEFORE 5 PM

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Parent's **name/school** if he/she is an **RCTA member** _____

Where do you plan to continue your education?

Major Subject Area:

**ALL APPLICATIONS DUE TO THE RCTA OFFICE, 3556 CENTRAL AVENUE, RIVERSIDE, CA
92506 BY FRIDAY MARCH 22, 2019 - 5:00 P.M.**

Applicant Signature

Date

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RCTA use Only: Date Received _____
 Time Received _____
 Initials _____

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****THIS IS YOUR CHECK LIST FOR THE RCTA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION****

Please follow these instructions carefully and observe all deadlines.

NOTE: An application postmarked after the due date or personally delivered after 5:00 p.m. on MARCH 22, 2019 will not be considered.

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Applicant must submit all of the required information no later than **March 22, 2019 - 5:00 P.M.**

Send Application to:

Riverside City Teachers Association
3556 Central Avenue
Riverside, CA 92506
Attention: Scholarship Committee

Please check to be sure you have completed the following:

- A. _____ RCTA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
- B. _____ OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS, SEALED
(An official transcript must be included with your application. This transcript must include your overall weighted Grade Point Average and SAT or ACT scores as well as AP Test Scores. Transcripts should indicate courses in progress for the spring semester.)
- C. _____ SHORT ESSAY TYPED
- D. _____ COUNSELOR RECOMMENDATION FORM
- E. _____ TWO LETTERS OF REFERENCE
(Reference letters must be included in your application packet. Each letter should be in a separate sealed envelope. Please write your name and address on these forms and give them to the person being asked to write your letters. Letters may be from school personnel or a community member.) **Counselor Recommendation will not be counted as a Letter of Reference.**
- F. _____ DELIVER TO RCTA OFFICE BY **FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2019 - 5:00 P.M.**

Please direct inquiries to the
RCTA office, 3556 Central Avenue, Riverside, California 92506
Phone: (951) 684-6744