



OCCACC Scholarship Application Requirements

Objective

OCCACC Foundation is committed to help our community by reaching out to those students who have succeeded both inside and outside of the classroom- but may not be able to attend college without financial assistance. We believe that investing in students who are leaders will result in positive and sustainable communities in the future.

Scholarship Application Requirements

1. The applicant has a need for financial aid to continue higher education (proof is needed, see below).
2. The applicant must be graduating from a high school in Orange County or Los Angeles County in the current year.
3. The applicant must possess a current year admission to a community college, college or university.
4. The applicant has at least one parent who is of Chinese descent.
5. The applicant must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 (non-weighted) and a SAT score of not less than 1800 or an ACT of 27.

The Application- applicant must submit all information listed below:

1. Please fill out and sign (original signature required) the Application for Scholarship - please download the form at [occacc.org](http://www.occacc.org)
2. Proof of your income and financial need
 - Your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
 - If your family income (not your income) is below \$75,000:
 - a. We need your signed family's tax return for the most recent two years.
 - b. We need your IRS form 4506-T signed by the same filing parent(s)(original signature required) authorizes us to check your tax return. Please use this link and print: <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f4506t.pdf>
3. Autobiography
 - The content can include: brief self-introduction of the applicant, his or her family, interests, work experience, involvement in community service, goal and expectations, financial situation, and reason for applying this scholarship.
 - This autobiography should be limited to: typed double-spaced in English; Times New Roman font; about 500 words.
4. Recommendation Letter
 - We need ONE recommendation letter, and it must be no more than one page and addressed to the OCCACC Foundation.
 - Recommendation letter from friend or relative will not be accepted. The recommendation letter can be provided by:
 - a) High school teacher or advisor, b) Current or past manager or employer, c) Organizational leader.
 - This letter needs to have letterhead; with the contact information of the person who makes the recommendation; sealed, and give to the applicant to send in together with the rest of the application package.
5. Transcript (cumulative)
6. SAT or ACT score

Application Rules and Regulations

1. OCCACC Foundation will award **ten (10) "OCCACC Scholars"** for **four (4) year Scholarships at \$5,000 annually.**
2. To ensure receiving four year uninterrupted award each OCCACC Scholar must continue submitting his (her) college grades (3.0 or better) and FAFSA to OCCACC Foundation every year until graduation.
3. Checks will be made out annually in the names of both the student and the college/university he (she) will attend so that the check can only be spent for needs at the school.
4. Applicant must submit all items listed above and put the Application for Scholarship on top as cover sheets. **Your application will not be accepted if any information is missing or false.** Application should be submitted **by mail only** at the address below. The IRS Form 4506-T and the Application for Scholarship must bear the original signature.
5. Every year the selection of OCCACC Scholars and their eligibility to continue receiving scholarship for the subsequent years until graduation are determined and monitored at the sole discretion by the Board of Directors of the OCCACC Foundation.
6. **Application deadline will be April 11, 2016, 5PM.**
7. There will be a home visit conducted during **April 23th to May 4th** for the selected scholarship finalists.
8. The lucky ten "OCCACC Scholars" will be announced on **May 9th, 2016.**

Scholarship Banquet

All "OCCACC Scholars" must be at the banquet in person to accept the Scholarship. Scholars who fail to show up at the banquet will be automatically disqualified for the Scholarship. **Scholarship Banquet for 2016 will be on June 18 at the Irvine Marriott Hotel.**

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