

WEOKIE Foundation Scholarship Essay Instructions

The WEOKIE Foundation will award 20 seniors scholarships of \$1,000 each. Checks will be made payable to the college or vo-tech the student will be attending.

The essay must be postmarked or delivered no later than February 29, 2012. Scholarships will be selected early April 2012. Winners will be contacted by the WEOKIE Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee. Winners will be asked to attend WEOKIE's Annual Meeting at the Yukon Fine Arts Auditorium on April 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. for a formal presentation.

Essay Instructions:

Describe in detail how higher education will help make a difference in both your own life and the lives of others.

The committee will be looking for original essays that were written by the student only.

The essay must be typed (single sided), double-spaced and must be limited to two pages. Do **NOT** staple or fold your essay. Attach the application with a paper clip **only**. Please include a recent photograph (no larger than 5x7). Applications will not be accepted without a photograph. Photograph is not used for judging purposes. Photograph will be used during presentation ceremony. Essays will be selected based on the following criteria; 60% content, 30% grammar and punctuation, 10% neatness and following instructions. Essay must be submitted in a flat envelope to:

WEOKIE Foundation Scholarship Committee
PO Box 26090
Oklahoma City, OK 73126

WEOKIE FOUNDATION GOALS:

The WEOKIE Credit Union Foundation is a 501(c)(3) public charity. The Foundation provides a formal avenue of charitable giving for WEOKIE Credit Union and offers financial education and scholarship opportunities to Oklahoma City and surrounding communities. The Foundation is governed by an appointed volunteer Board of Directors.

The goal of the Foundation is to promote WEOKIE's commitment to social responsibility and to educate credit union members and the community so they are able to make better financial choices.

WEOKIE Foundation Scholarship Application:

Applicants wishing to apply for the WEOKIE Foundation scholarship must complete the following official application and submit with a written essay no longer than two pages. Please remember to include a recent photograph (no larger than 5x7). The essay must be postmarked or delivered no later than February 29, 2012. For essay instructions, please obtain a copy of the WEOKIE Foundation Scholarship Essay Instructions.

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Checks will be made payable to the college or vo-tech school.

Applicants must be a graduating senior from an accredited high school or home school program located in one of the following counties in which WEOKIE serves. Please circle applicable county. All other counties not listed are ineligible.

Canadian Cleveland Grady Lincoln Logan McClain Oklahoma Pottawatomie

Applicants must be enrolled or planning to enroll in an accredited college or vo-tech school upon high school graduation. Applicants are not required to be a WEOKIE Credit Union member.

Applicants can **NOT** be related (by blood or marriage) to a WEOKIE Foundation scholarship selection committee member, WEOKIE Foundation board member, WEOKIE Credit Union employee or volunteer. All relatives of the above are automatically disqualified from the scholarship essay contest. No exceptions will be made.

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

E-mail address _____

Name of high school currently attending _____

Name and address of the school you are planning to attend _____

Are you currently enrolled and accepted to the above school? Yes No

Have you enclosed the mandatory photograph? Yes No

Was the envelope postmarked by Feb. 29, 2012? Yes No

Where did you hear about the scholarship? Counselor Teacher WEOKIE.org Facebook
 Friend Other _____

I understand and will abide by all the conditions listed in the above application. I understand that if a violation of any of the above items is made, that the scholarship award may be revoked. I also understand that a scholarship essay must be submitted with my application entry. Awards will be based solely on the written essay and I accept that the judging of the essays will be subjective in nature and at the sole discretion of the scholarship selection committee. I will accept and not dispute decisions of the scholarship selection committee. If my essay is chosen as a winner I will allow the WEOKIE Foundation to release my name and photo to local media promoting scholarship winners. I also understand that I will be expected to attend an awards ceremony at WEOKIE's Annual Meeting.

I will allow the WEOKIE Foundation to reproduce or reprint my essay and photo to share with the media and local schools. I understand that my essay will not be returned and will be the property of the WEOKIE Foundation. By signing below I agree that I am not related by blood or marriage to a WEOKIE Foundation scholarship selection committee member, WEOKIE Foundation Board Member, WEOKIE Credit Union employee or volunteer. All relatives of the above are automatically disqualified from the scholarship essay contest.

Signature of applicant _____ Date: _____