

## **DWS Scholarship Program 2022/23**

Drake-Williams Steel is dedicated to helping youth in the Omaha/Council Bluffs Metro to attend to and succeed in higher education institutions. The purpose of the DWS Scholarship program is to provide scholarships annually to high school seniors with the goal of pursuing a career in the welding industry. The recipient(s) will receive a full-tuition award towards a welding degree from a local community college and an accompanying employment opportunity.

### The scholarship award will include:

1. \$2,500 value cash award to help cover education-related expenses- payout schedule is detailed below.
2. Full tuition paid for a welding program at any local Community College.
3. Prize pack of DWS items- including Carhartt cold weather clothing, steel-toed boots and a DWS backpack full of gear.
4. Books and required school supplies covered by DWS.

### **Scholarship Program Details:**

1. Deadline for scholarship applications is **March 17th, 2023, by 5 p.m.**
2. Cash payments will be awarded as follows- \$500 every 3 months, for employees in good standing, for a total of \$2,500.
3. Refer to criteria below for eligibility requirements.
4. Submissions should be emailed to [scholarship@dwsteel.com](mailto:scholarship@dwsteel.com) and include the application paperwork and any supporting documents needed (i.e. recommendations, evidence of GPA etc.)
5. All submissions should be typed.
6. The selected student(s) will be notified by phone/email by April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and will be able to attend a DWS Signing Day event (date TBD) to formally accept the award and physical prizes.
7. Funds for tuition costs will be awarded to the student's institution of attendance upon evidence of registration in classes. This includes the requirement for submission of a proper student identification number and the address of said school's Registrar Office.
8. Students must be pursuing a welding degree.
9. Employment with DWS is "at-will."

### **Criteria and eligibility:**

1. Applicant must be enrolled at a high school in Nebraska or Iowa.
2. Applicant must be a graduating senior in the year of the award.
3. Applicant must have at least a 2.0 grade point average ("C" average.)
4. Applicant must demonstrate community and/or extra-curricular involvement.
5. Scholarship recipient must maintain at least Part-Time status of employment at DWS in good standing to continue receiving tuition scholarship funds.

- Scholarship recipient must maintain at least a 2.0 GPA in their community college coursework to be eligible for tuition fund sponsorship.

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### Application Form

Deadline: This application form and all other required documentation must be received by March 17th, 2023 by 5 p.m. Email to [scholarship@dwsteel.com](mailto:scholarship@dwsteel.com).

Questions? Call 402-943-3428 Website: [www.dwsteel.com/scholarship](http://www.dwsteel.com/scholarship)

Eligibility: Students must meet these criteria to be eligible. Please initial next to each.

- I confirm I am a graduating senior at an Iowa/NE high school in Spring 2023 \_\_\_\_\_
- I plan to pursue a welding degree at a local community college starting Fall 2023 \_\_\_\_\_
- If chosen for the scholarship, I will attend the Signing Day event at DWS \_\_\_\_\_
- I plan to maintain at least Part-Time employment status at Drake-Williams Steel in order to participate in the scholarship program \_\_\_\_\_

#### A. Personal Information

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First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Grade Point Average (GPA): \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Official Copy of Transcripts from the above school is required at the time of application.*

#### B. School Information

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Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### **The "Essay" Section:**

Instructions: Depending upon the question, your response may be as short as one or two paragraphs or a detailed list. Formal essay format is not required as answers that are direct and concise are preferred. The scholarship committee realizes that applicants may not have had the opportunity to engage in activities related to one or more of the scholarship application's questions.

1. Describe your educational and/or career plan and how it developed:
2. Describe any special honors or awards you have received in the last four years:
3. Describe any classes taken or personal projects you have undertaken in high school related to the trades industry and what you learned:

Examples:

\*If question 3 is not applicable, briefly explain why you have not had this opportunity and/or why you are interested in pursuing a welding career:

4. Briefly describe any membership activities, groups, or extracurricular school activities you have participated in.
5. List any volunteer activities in the community that you participate in and provide a brief description for each.
6. List any hobbies or outside activities that are not related to the trades or school sponsored.
7. If you have decided on the college you will attend, please list the name, and if you have applied/been accepted.

### **Recommendations**

Please provide 2 scholarship recommendation forms from any of the following sources:

Teachers

School administrators

Employers

Community members

*\*May not be a relative of student*