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To: All CCOERA Entity Helpers and Participants
From: Jacob P. Kuyper, Executive Director
Date: 2/1/2012
RE: CCOERA Scholarship Fund 2012

This is to notify you of the sixth annual CCOERA Scholarship Fund for active participants and their dependants. This scholarship is funded by CCOERA's Board Members who voluntarily forego their compensatory fee. The current scholarship awards will range from a minimum of \$500 to \$1,000 per selected applicant.

Eligible applicants will be asked to complete and return the attached scholarship application by April 16, 2012. Winners of this scholarship will be announced on our website once the Board's review process has been completed which is estimated to occur by May 18 2012.

Please post or forward this notice to your employees. We appreciate your helping us communicate this scholarship opportunity. If we can be of assistance in forwarding this information to your employees, please do not hesitate to call your Client Services representative. We will also post this notice and application form on our website at www.ccoera.org.

CCOERA 2012 Scholarship Fund

Source of Revenue:

\$100 each per Board meeting attended by Board members forgoing their individual compensation pursuant to 24-54-107.5 (3), C.R.S.

Disbursement of funds:

Annually based upon achieving at least \$1,000 fund balance.

Awards are made each year at a minimum of \$500, but no more than \$1,000 depending upon the availability of funds.

Checks will be sent made out to both the recipient and the college of his or her choice.

Eligibility Criteria:

Current Participants; and

The dependants of current CCOERA Participants residing in Colorado who are current High school seniors or college undergraduates; and

Applicants must be U.S. citizens; and

No preference is given based on a student's choice of college or university, high school, city of residence or financial need. Relatives of Trustees, officers or employees of CCOERA are not eligible.

Use of funds:

Any institute of higher education. Award will be in July after students graduate.

The award may be used for room, board, tuition or books and fees.

Application Process & Criteria:

CCOERA will send out notices to all Employers/Participants describing the scholarship in February of 2012.

Students are asked to complete applications and return them by April 16, 2012.

The application must include an original essay, transcript and standardized test scores (ACT or SAT).

The 500 word count essay must include a statement why they believe they are qualified for this scholarship, their academic interests and other accomplishments and how this scholarship will aid them in their future academic efforts and their future goals.

CCOERA Scholarship selection criteria include:

- Scholastic Ability
- Evidence of Potential Leadership
- Service to Community and School
- Outstanding Character
- Letter of recommendation from associates, teachers, employers, coaches or mentors.
- Any other criteria the Board may consider

CCOERA Scholars may attend any undergraduate college or institution offering post-secondary education. There are significant differences between schools, and, ultimately, the decision about which school to attend must be based upon a Scholar's personal needs, future goals, intended field of study and individual preference. CCOERA suggests students tour the schools, visit with faculty and students, and research the wide variety of honors, leadership and research programs available at these institutions before making a commitment to any one school.

We are looking for students who have been actively involved in their schools and communities and who have demonstrated leadership, initiative and a high level of involvement throughout their high school careers.

Application for the
2012 CCOERA Scholarship

Name _____

Parent(s) Names(s) & CCOERA Employer _____

Are you a U.S. citizen? _____

Permanent address _____

Home phone number (____) _____ Campus phone number (____) _____

Campus address _____

High school of graduation _____

Class status (circle one) High school student College student Participant

Major _____ Grade point average in major _____

List campus and community organizations to which you belong. (List leadership roles when applicable).

Submit a 500 word typed statement relative to your educational and vocational goals. You should include what your plans and aspirations are for the future and what values you hold to be important in your development.

Submit a current transcript and copies of either ACT or SAT results.

Submit two letters of recommendation.

Submit the completed application by April 16, 2012 to:

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