



## Michelin/TIA Scholarship Program

Michelin/TIA is providing scholarships for deserving students. The Center for Scholarship Administration, Inc. (CSA), a non-profit, independent organization is the administrator of the program.

### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

**Q: When does the program start?**

**A:** The applications will be available **JANUARY 15, 2010**. Interested applicants may apply online at website [www.scholarshipprograms.org](http://www.scholarshipprograms.org), or request a paper application by contacting CSA by mail at P.O. Box 1465, Taylors, SC 29687; or by phone at 864.268.3363 or by e-mail at [susanlee@bellsouth.net](mailto:susanlee@bellsouth.net).

**Q: Who is eligible for the scholarship?**

**A:** 1. Applicants must be part-time employees **OR** the dependent children of full time employees of TIA member tire dealers. Dependent children include natural children, adopted children, legal wards or resident stepchildren. The employee must be employed by the firm at the time of application.

**Michelin North America, Inc. employees and dependent children are not eligible.**

2. Applicants must be high school seniors planning to pursue a post-secondary education at an accredited two-year or four-year college, university, or vocational technical school.

3. Applicants must have a cumulative G.P.A. of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

**Q: What constitutes a complete application packet?**

**A:** There are two parts to the application process. You must submit the online portion of the scholarship application and then mail in the following materials:

1. Submit an **OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT** with grades, cumulative G.P.A. and S.A.T./A.C.T. scores posted through the latest fall term. **NOTE: If your school does not post your SAT/ACT scores on your transcript, it is your responsibility to provide us with a copy of your score report from the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB).** You may send a copy of the form you received in the mail or download your scores from CEEB and send them to us via e-mail. Be sure to identify the scholarship for which you are applying.

2. Submit a signed **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION** from a high school teacher.

3. Submit a **ONE-PAGE ESSAY** explaining why you believe you qualify for this scholarship.

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**4. Submit a LIST OF YOUR ACADEMIC HONORS, LEADERSHIP SKILLS, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE, etc.** Be sure to include your name and the name of the scholarship program.

**Q: When is the deadline for submission of materials?**

**A:** All materials must be submitted to CSA with a postmark of no later than **MARCH 22, 2010**. All materials must be mailed in ONE envelope. If you applied online and received a confirmation of submission, you may send just the additional materials required.

**Q: How are winners selected?**

**A:** This is a competitive scholarship program. The Selection Committee will select recipients based on academic merit and community involvement.

**Q: How will I be notified if I am chosen as a recipient?**

**A:** All applicants will be notified by letter of the decisions of the Committee.

**Q: What is the value of the scholarship award?**

**A:** This year, Michelin/TIA will award a total of \$5,000 in scholarships to selected students: one \$2,500 award (total for four years not to exceed \$10,000) and two \$1,250 awards (total for four years not to exceed \$5,000 each). The award will be applied to tuition, fees, books, and room and board and should not exceed these costs. Funds not credited to the recipient's account must be reimbursed to the Michelin/TIA Scholarship Program.

**Q: What college may I attend?**

**A:** You must be a full-time student enrolled at an accredited two-year or four-year college, university, or vocational technical school located in the United States. The recipient's school of choice must be exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the I.R.S. Code. Funds will not be issued for this scholarship, unless the school maintains that exemption.

**Q: Is this scholarship renewable?**

**A:** This scholarship is renewable for three additional years, or until a bachelor's degree is awarded, whichever is earlier. Current recipients will receive renewal instructions in the mail. Renewable candidates must have a cumulative G.P.A. of at least 3.0 at the end of the academic year. Grade reports will be required at the end of the fall term, and an official transcript is required at the end of the spring term.

**Q: How will I receive my funds?**

**A:** Recipients must submit proof of enrollment and grades each semester. One-half of the award amount will be paid each semester (or one-third each quarter). Funds will be made payable to, and mailed directly to the college. Payments will not be processed until proof of enrollment and grades are submitted.