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Trade School Scholarship Application

The Little Red Acorn Trade School Scholarship is designed to support individuals who are passionate about pursuing a career in the skilled trades. This scholarship is open to any individual who has been accepted into an approved trade school. The scholarship aims to alleviate the financial burden of education and provide students with the resources they need to succeed in their chosen trade.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must have been accepted into an approved trade school.
- Must demonstrate a commitment to pursuing a career in the skilled trades.
- Must be a U.S. citizen or legal resident.

Important Dates and Deadlines:

2026 Program		
	Start	End
Accepting Applications	October 1, 2025	July 1, 2026
Application Reviews	January 1, 2026	August 1, 2026
Interviews	January 31, 2026	August 31, 2026
Scholarship Awards	February 15, 2026	September 15, 2026



Applicant Information

Full Name: [First] _____ [Last] _____

Date of Birth: [MM/DD/YYYY] _____ / _____ / _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____ - _____

Email Address: _____

Home Address: [Street Address] _____

[City] _____, [State] _____, [Zip Code] _____

Educational Background

Trade School You Will Be Attending: _____

Program in Which You Will Be Enrolled: _____

Program Start Date: [MM/YYYY] _____ / _____ / _____

List any vocational or trade-related courses you have taken or are currently taking:

Course Name: _____	Course Name: _____
Institution: _____	Institution: _____
Dates: _____	Dates: _____
Brief description of skills learned: _____	Brief description of skills learned: _____



Experience

List your best 3 previous vocational or trade-related experiences.

(Ex. DIY, summer jobs, etc.)

Company (if applicable): _____

What did you do?: _____

Brief description of skills learned:

Company (if applicable): _____

What did you do?: _____

Brief description of skills learned:

Company (if applicable): _____

What did you do?: _____

Brief description of skills learned:



Essay Questions

(Please answer the following questions in 100-200 words each.)

Why have you chosen to pursue a career in the skilled trades?

Discuss what inspired you to enter this field and what you hope to achieve.

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References

Please provide two references that would be willing to write letters of recommendation on your behalf and can speak to your character, work ethic, and suitability for a career in the skilled trades. We require the references be teachers, counselors, employers, mentors, or community leaders. Fill in their information below so we may request the reference directly.

1. Reference Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

2. Reference Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Sponsor in Lieu of a Recommendation

For cases where a business has requested that you attend a trade school either prior to starting a role, or as part of your current role within that business, we ask that you provide the best contact for that business so that we may coordinate training activities and seek financial assistance for your case.

Company Name: _____

Role Available You: _____

Contact Name

Contact Phone Number: _____

Contact Email Address: _____



Financial Need

- **Are you currently employed?**

☐ Yes ☐ No

- **If yes, please provide details of your current employment:**

- Employer's Name: _____
- Position: _____
- Hours per week: _____
- Current Hourly Rate/Salary: _____

- **Have you applied for or received any other scholarships or financial aid?**

☐ Yes ☐ No

- **If yes, please list the scholarships and amounts received:**

- _____ Amount received: _____
 - _____ Amount received: _____
 - _____ Amount received: _____
 - _____ Amount received: _____
 - _____ Amount received: _____

- **Scholarships depend on the availability of funds. Would you be interested in a partial scholarship if a full scholarship is unavailable?**

☐ Yes ☐ No



Acknowledgements:

- As part of our application process, you may be requested to provide supporting documentation for any and all information you have provided above.
- You may also be asked to submit yourself for a background check (at your own cost) to validate you meet the applicant requirements set by the Board of Directors of Little Red Acorn, Inc.

Please acknowledge that you have read and understand the above statement notices:

- ☐ Yes, I am willing to provide supporting documentation for my application.
- ☐ Yes, I am willing submit myself for a background check at my own cost.

Certification and Signature

By signing below, I certify that all information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false information may result in the disqualification of my application.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: [MM/YYYY] ____ / ____ / ____

Little Red Acorn is committed to supporting the next generation of skilled trades professionals.
We look forward to reviewing your application and helping you achieve your career goals.

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