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## ProStart® Scholarship Application

\$500 - \$1,000 Scholarship Awards

The **Colorado Restaurant Association Education Foundation** in partnership with the **National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation** awards scholarships to qualified students in foodservice/hospitality management programs. Applicants must have demonstrated strong interest in the foodservice/hospitality industry as evidenced through documentable work experience in the industry.

### Eligibility Criteria:

Note: Any applications which do not meet the following criteria or are not legible will be automatically disqualified.

- Be enrolled in the ProStart® program at your high school or in your school district
- Be accepted into an approved postsecondary program, starting Fall 2009 term
- Have a minimum **Final, Overall Grade Point Average of 2.75** on a 4.0 scale
- Have industry-related work experience of at least 250 documented hours\*\*

### Please Return:

- Your Application, typed or printed clearly, indicating "N/A" (not applicable) when appropriate
- An official high school transcript sent directly from high school to our offices
- A Resume
- Documentation of industry related work experience (\*\*verified by copies of paycheck stubs or letter(s) from employer(s) stipulating number of hours worked)
- Two letters of recommendation. At least one letter must be from a current or previous employer. Teacher recommendations are also welcome.
- A "Letter of Intent" stating that you are enrolled/enrolling in an accredited foodservice/hospitality related program for a minimum of 9 credit hours (ie: your college "acceptance" letter)

### Judges will score the following:

- Grade point average
- Industry-related work experience and/or hospitality-related course work
- Contents of the letters of recommendation
- Essay questions on application (*questions should be answered carefully and clearly in essay format*)

**Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

### Deadline, award announcement and payment timeline:

- March 27, 2009 – application and transcripts must be postmarked. *No exceptions, please.*
- April 30, 2009 – award recipients formally announced at annual CRA Education Foundation Scholarship Awards Luncheon. Additional details will be provided at the time of award notification, but please make note of this date on your calendar.
- Funds will be disbursed in two equal payments, the first half in September 2009 and the second half in January 2010 upon verification of your continued enrollment in a qualified program.

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### Remit Application To:

Colorado Restaurant Association Education Foundation  
430 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Denver, CO 80203-3600

(Application must be typed or printed clearly)

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

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Name (last) \_\_\_\_\_ (first) \_\_\_\_\_ (initial) \_\_\_\_\_

Present Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail (Please print clearly): \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Do you attend a Colorado school?    Yes    No                      Are you a resident of Colorado?    Yes    No

Can you furnish proof of such residency if required?    Yes    No

**EDUCATION INFORMATION**

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I attend:

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_ Intended College Major \_\_\_\_\_

I **plan** to attend (Name of college/postsecondary institution): \_\_\_\_\_

Type of intended degree:     Associate     Bachelor    Expected date of graduation (Mo./Yr.):

**\*\*\*Attach letter of acceptance from intended college/postsecondary institution/program**

**INTERESTS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

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What are your career objectives for the following time frames and what specific steps will you take to achieve them?

Two Years \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Five Years \_\_\_\_\_

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What skills and personal characteristics do you have to contribute to the foodservice/hospitality industry? \_\_\_\_\_

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List any special recognition or honors you have received: \_\_\_\_\_

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List any extracurricular/community service activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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List interests or hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

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In your opinion, what are two major advantages of a career in the foodservice/hospitality industry? \_\_\_\_\_

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Aside from an irregular work schedule, what are two major disadvantages of a career in the foodservice/hospitality industry?

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Why have you chosen the foodservice/hospitality industry? \_\_\_\_\_

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Why do you feel you are qualified to receive this scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

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*(You are encouraged to attach a separate sheet of paper for any of the above questions if necessary)*

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

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*LIST MOST RECENT FIRST*

Company: Address: City/State:  
Type of Business: Position: Phone #:  
From (Mo./Yr.): To (Mo./Yr.): Hrs. Per Week:  
Supervisor: Duties:

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**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

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*STUDENT'S INCOME AND EXPENSES PER SCHOOL YEAR*

**Expenses - Per Year**

Tuition \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Fees, books, supplies \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Room & board (if away from home) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Expense \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Income - Per Year**

Scholarships or grants \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Loans, bank-school, government \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Financial aid from parents \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Income \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do you expect to receive additional income that is not indicated above? Please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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To the best of my knowledge, I have provided the Colorado Restaurant Association Education Foundation/National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation full and truthful information concerning all questions on this application. If chosen for the award, I agree to participate in an awards presentation, and to make available a photograph and written material (per request) for publication of my selection. I agree that if I have obtained support under false representation, I will repay the total amount to the CRA Education Foundation and/or the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation.

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_