

# 2025 CISCO SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAM FOR 2-YEAR COMMUNITY COLLEGE/ASSOCIATES DEGREE

## **OBJECTIVE**

To provide financial support to **college-bound children** of building trade Union members and employees of Union contractors. Two (2) scholarships will be awarded each year to **children** of a member of a trade Union affiliated with CISCO, or to **children** of non-bargaining unit employees of a Union contractor affiliated with CISCO.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Each candidate must be:

1. A high school senior at time of application.
2. Provisionally accepted as a full-time student into an associate degree or certificate program at a two-year accredited college or university.
3. A United States citizen.

## **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

The following information is required from each candidate:

1. A copy or downloaded version of application form with all pages in one (1) .pdf document.
2. One (1) completed Personal Reference Form, filled out by a school faculty member, guidance counselor, or adult NOT related to the student.
3. A copy of official or unofficial high school transcript or similar documentation reflecting academic grades/records.

## **AWARDS**

1. A maximum of two (2) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded yearly. These scholarships are renewable three (3) times, for a total of four (4) years, provided the students maintains a 2.75 grade point average on a four-point scale.
2. CISCO will send scholarship funds directly to the student, with the check payable to the college or university.
3. For the purposes of allocation, funds of this scholarship are to be used with the following priority: 1) tuition and fees; 2) book purchases; and 3) room and board and other expenses.
4. All scholarship awards will be formally announced at an official CISCO function in the spring.
5. Scholarship recipient can win a scholarship only one (1) time.

## **JUDGING**

1. CISCO has the sole authority for granting scholarship awards. The scholarship recipients are selected on basis of academic performance, faculty recommendation, extracurricular activities, employment experience, and a demonstrated interest in a productive career. CISCO reserves the right to delegate the choice of award winners to the Selection Committee.
2. All applicants selected as finalists may be subject to a personal interview with representatives of the Selection Committee. **Only winners will be notified.**
3. For continuation of the scholarship, recipients will be required to provide indications of continued enrollment and good standing in a college program leading to a degree. Grade transcripts must be forwarded directly to CISCO from the school's registrar at the conclusion of each academic period.
4. The scholarship monies must be used within a 3-year period from the year of receiving scholarship. For example, if student receives award in April of 2025, the monies must be used by April of 2028.

## **DEADLINE**

Each entry, including all required data, can be either mailed (postmarked by **February 14, 2025**), OR emailed to Julia Mulvey at [julia@cisco.org](mailto:julia@cisco.org). CISCO will combine documents sent separately into the same student's application file. Mailed entries should be sent to:

**Construction Industry Service Corporation  
999 McClintock Dr., STE. 100, Burr Ridge IL 60527**



# Complete the Following

Name extracurricular activities have you participated in while attending high school. Indicate any elected offices held, and specify purposes of local organizations.

1. **Student activities by year:** *(List student government, Key Club, National Honor Society, etc.)*

2. **Community activities by year:** *(Boy Scouts, etc.)*

3. **Athletics by year:**

4. **Awards or honors:**

## General Information

Father's occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Brothers and sisters in family older than you: \_\_\_\_\_ Younger than you: \_\_\_\_\_

Including yourself, how many members of your immediate family will be in college next year? \_\_\_\_\_

Complete the following estimate of college costs:

Tuition: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Room & Board, Books, etc.: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## **Student Employment Information**

List summer employment or other part-time work. Briefly explain duties and responsibilities. Begin with your most recent job. If part-time work, indicate number of hours per week.

1. Company name and type of business: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Employed from: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor's phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Your duties: \_\_\_\_\_

Salary: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per: Month      Week      Hour

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## **Additional Information**

***This section is a critical component of the application. Please answer the following questions. Please attach additional sheets of paper as needed.***

1. Why are you interested in your chosen field of study?

2. Summarize your long-term career objectives:

3. Describe your most meaningful achievements and how they relate to your field of study and future goals:

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“I agree that the application and all attachments may be used for the purpose of evaluation and possible selection by the Board of Directors of the Construction Industry Service Corporation and/or representatives designated by the Board of Directors. I also state all information enclosed is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. We hereby authorize the financial aid office to release our family financial information and awards information to the Construction Industry Service Corporation Selection Committee. This information will be used to determine the student’s need for a scholarship and will be kept strictly confidential.”

Name of Prospective College or Colleges: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed:

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Note to Applicant:**

*You are responsible for ensuring all items listed below are submitted to CISCO by February 14, 2025.*

*If sent via mail, it must be postmarked by February 14, 2025,*

1. Completed Application
2. Personal Reference Form (Page 6)
- 3: High school official or unofficial transcript or similar documentation

Submit all application materials to:

CISCO • 999 McClintock Drive • STE 100 • Burr Ridge IL 60527

OR email to Julia Mulvey at [julia@cisco.org](mailto:julia@cisco.org)

**Deadline for postmark is February 14, 2025**

# PERSONAL REFERENCE FORM

To be completed by school faculty member, guidance counselor, or adult NOT related to the student.

**Full Name of Student:** \_\_\_\_\_

Your name has been given as a reference by the above student, who has applied for a scholarship from Construction Industry Service Corporation (CISCO). Your evaluation is important in considering this application, and we ask that you explain your comments fully. If necessary, use the reverse side for additional remarks. All comments will be used for evaluation purposes only. Please complete this form and mail it to CISCO, 999 McClintock Dr., STE 100, Burr Ridge IL 60527, **postmarked by February 14, 2025**, OR email to Julia Mulvey at [julia@cisco.org](mailto:julia@cisco.org).

Name of Evaluator: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

School & District: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

## **EVALUATION OF SOCIAL AND PERSONAL TRAITS**

*Please rate each characteristic listed using a scale of 0 to 10, with 0 being Poor, and 10 being Superior. If you would like to make additional comments, please use back side of this form.*

### RATING

Cooperation \_\_\_\_\_ Courtesy \_\_\_\_\_ Initiative \_\_\_\_\_

Leadership \_\_\_\_\_ Timeliness and Completeness of Assignments \_\_\_\_\_

Participation in Extracurricular Activities \_\_\_\_\_

In the space below, please indicate your opinion of the applicant's ability to excel in college, career, and life. If necessary, you may continue your comments on the back of this form.