scholarship application
Just like most families, the Mediacom family believes in the importance of higher education. As a corporation with strong community roots, we wanted to support, in some way, the higher education of our customers.

For this reason, we formed World Class – The Mediacom Scholarship Program to help graduating high school students with their college expenses, such as tuition and books.

Through the World Class program, Mediacom awards $1,000 scholarships to winning applicants.

**Scholarship Application Checklist**

Before you send in your application materials, please make sure you have included the following:

- Completed application with your signature and the signature of your school guidance counselor.
- A copy of your high school transcript.
- Your essay of about 500 words, typed and double spaced.
- The references of two educators from your school, using pages 9 and 10 of this application.
- Mail all application materials postmarked on or before February 17, 2017.

Retain a copy of the above documents for your records. Incomplete packets will be rejected automatically.

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**The selection of scholarship recipients is based on:**

Academic Achievement: demonstrated by high school grade point average information (GPA) and class ranking.

Leadership: based on self-reliance, initiative and creative ability in school and out, as reflected in the applicant’s personal essay. Additional determining factors include:

- Participation in school activities.
- Honors received.
- References of two educators from the school.
- Participation in community activities.

**Completed application materials should be postmarked on or before February 17, 2017, and sent to:**

Mediacom
World Class – The Mediacom Scholarship Program
3737 Westown Parkway, Suite 2A
West Des Moines, IA 50266

**Questions may be sent to:**

scholarship@mediacomcc.com

A PDF file of the application may be downloaded at www.mediacomworldclass.com.

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**Eligibility requirements:**

Children of directors, officers, employees or agents of Mediacom are not eligible.

Applicants must be legal residents of a community that is being served by Mediacom (see list on pages 6-8).

Scholarship awardees may attend any accredited two-year or four-year college, university, technical or vocational school within the United States.

Applicants must intend to pursue a course of study at a qualified post-secondary institution.

Applicants must be accepted by the qualified post-secondary institution prior to actually receiving a scholarship.

Applicants must commence their post-secondary education or training in the first academic year following their senior year of high school.

Applicants must be in their senior year of high school, must be high school graduates or persons who have achieved equivalent certification. If an applicant is awarded a scholarship while in his or her senior year of high school and does not graduate at the end of his or her senior year, he or she is no longer eligible to receive a scholarship.

Students completing high school in fewer than the normal four years are eligible to apply.

Students entering a qualified post-secondary institution in the middle of their senior high school year are permitted to apply the following year.

All scholarships will be awarded without regard to race, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, political affiliation or social or economic status.

Scholarships are not renewable.
PLEASE READ THIS SECTION ON IMPORTANT TIPS BEFORE GOING ANY FURTHER.

• Use the correct application – photocopies are allowed. Do not use an application from a previous year.
• Print neatly or type your application as clearly as possible.
• Make sure to include city, state and zip code. Do not use abbreviations in regard to your city.
• Supply an active email address or phone number, including area code, where you can be reached in case of questions.
• Put your full name on the top right hand corner of every page of every item in the packet.
• Fill in all blanks on the application. If it does not apply to you, use N/A (not applicable).
• References must be made using the reference forms. Additional letters of reference will be accepted.
• Make sure all required items are included. If any part is missing, you may be disqualified.
• Make a copy of your completed application packet for your records.
• **USE AT LEAST A 9” X 11” ENVELOPE. DO NOT FOLD THE APPLICATION.**
• **DO NOT USE STAPLES.** You may use paper clips.
• **DO NOT PUT THE APPLICATION IN A BINDER OR FOLDER.** This will be removed and disposed of before going to the judges.
• **DO NOT INCLUDE A PHOTOGRAPH WITH YOUR APPLICATION.** This will be removed and disposed of before going to the judges.
• **Send your application to:**
  Mediacom
  World Class – The Mediacom Scholarship Program
  3737 Westown Parkway, Suite 2A
  West Des Moines, IA 50266

**How much is the scholarship?**
• $1,000

**Who is eligible?**
• High school seniors who are graduating in 2017 and live in the areas served by Mediacom are eligible.

**How can I be sure if I live in an eligible area?**
• If your community is served by Mediacom, you are eligible. There is a list of the towns we serve in the application.
  A copy is also available online at www.mediacomworldclass.com.

**The application says to get two references. Whom should I ask for these?**
• The references should come from teachers, coaches, sponsors, tutors, counselors or anyone who works or worked with you on a day-to-day basis and can vouch for you and your abilities.
• If you are home schooled, anyone who works with you in an educational, community, church or employment capacity will be accepted as a reference.

**Do I have to use the reference sheets in the application or will letters of recommendation be okay?**
• The reference sheets use a numbering system for judging purposes. It is required to have them filled out and sent in with your packet.
• You may also include letters of reference in addition to the reference sheets.
Does the copy of the transcript have to be certified?
• If possible, yes, but it does not have to be sealed in a separate envelope. If, however, your school requires a sealed envelope, make sure it is included in the packet you send us. **DO NOT SEND IT SEPARATELY.**

What are you looking for in the essay?
• The essay should not be a list of your accomplishments. It should be a narrative that shows how you have learned leadership, how it has helped you and how you use it to help others.
  ▪ Avoid making it an “I” list, with everything starting with “I did…” or “I went…”
  ▪ Be creative. Write something that will grab the judges’ attention.

Is there anything else I can send that may be helpful to the judges?
• You may also include a list of achievements, awards, accomplishments and school clubs to which you belong. This can be included with the list of community events and organizations with which you are involved. Remember to keep this list separate from your essay.
• You may include a resume listing job experiences and abilities.

What do you mean by community events and organizations?
• This would include church groups, civic groups, volunteer work, Boy or Girl Scouts, Special Olympics, etc., any organization outside of school with which you are currently or have been involved.

What is the deadline for the application?
• The application and all other materials must be postmarked no later than February 17, 2017.

I plan to go to a vocational school. Am I still eligible?
• Yes. Any type of secondary training is eligible.

I will be a sophomore in college next year. Am I eligible?
• Only if you earned your college credits while still in high school.

Is the scholarship renewable?
• No. The World Class Mediacom Scholarship is a one-time, non-renewable award.

My parent works for Mediacom. Am I eligible?
• No.

When will the scholarships be awarded?
• The scholarships will be announced in late April, 2017.

If I am awarded a scholarship, what do I have to do to get the money?
• If you are selected for a scholarship, the committee will notify you by letter. The letter will contain further instructions.

How will the scholarship money be paid?
• The money will be given directly to the students to use as they need for their college expenses. This may be done by mail, or area Mediacom offices may choose to present them. More information will be available after recipients are chosen.

If you have any other questions concerning World Class – The Mediacom Scholarship Program, please contact us at scholarship@mediacomcc.com.
SECTION ONE: PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant Name

Address

City ___________________________ State ________________ Zip __________________

Telephone Number __________________________ Email Address ____________________

SECTION TWO: ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Current School

Address

City ___________________________ State ________________ Zip __________________

Telephone Number __________________________ Class Rank __________ out of ________

Anticipated Graduation Date (Month/Year) _______________ Grade Point Average __________ out of ________

Name and signature of high school guidance counselor verifying the academic information above:

Name (please print) __________________________ Signature __________________________ Date __________

SECTION THREE: ESSAY

As part of this application, we ask that you write and attach an original essay of 400-500 words (typed and double spaced). This essay should describe how you exhibit leadership in your school and community. A separate list of honors, awards and accomplishments that you have achieved may be included.

SECTION FOUR: COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Please list the community events and organizations in which you participate (attach a separate sheet if needed).

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SECTION FIVE: REFERENCES

• Make photocopies of the forms on pages 9 and 10. Give a copy to two educators in your school. Once these forms are completed and returned to you, send them with the rest of your application materials.

• Remember to make a copy of all application materials for yourself. The materials you send will not be returned to you. Winners will be posted on the World Class Scholarship website in late April, 2017.

SECTION SIX: TO BE READ AND SIGNED BY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT

I hereby declare that all information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.

The essay is my own work. I also agree to abide by all scholarship policies as detailed in this document.

Signature of Applicant ___________________________ Date ____________________
YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A SCHOLARSHIP IF YOU LIVE IN A COMMUNITY LISTED BELOW

INDIANA

Adam Lake
Adams County
Albion
Allen County
Angola
Argos
Auburn
Bluffton
Bourbon
Breman
Brook
Butler
Churubusco
Columbia City
Cromwell
Culver
Decatur
Deerfield
Dekalb County
Dewitt Lake
Dexter
Dexter
Dienjon
Dike
Dubuque
Dubuque County
Duncan
Durot
Dyersville
Dysart
Elgin
Elk Hill Heights
Elkader
Emery
Emerson
Emmaus & Beale
Essex
Esterville
Evansdale
Fairbank
Fairfield
Farley
Fayette
Forest City
Forrestville
Fort Dodge
Fort Madison
Fredericksburg
Frederica
Frankfort
Franklin
Franklin
Fremont
Garrett
Gothenburg
Hamilton
Hawkeye
Hinton
Hoosier Heights
Homestead
Holliday
Hull
Humboldt
Huxley
Independence
Indiana
Iowa
Iowa Falls
Janesville
Johnston
Jones County
Kalona
Keokuk
Kensett
Keosauqua
Keota
Kodiak
Knoxville
Lake City
Lake Park
Lakeside
Lamont Grove
Lamoni
Lansing
Laporte
Laurens
Le Claire
Le Grand
Lee County
Leland
Lexington
Lime Springs
Linn
Lisbon
Lonetree
Long Grove
Lovilia
Low Moor
Lucus
Manchester
Manly
Masonton
Maquoketa
Marengo
Marion
Marquette
Marshalltown
Mason City
Maynard
McCausland
McGregor
Melcher
Middletown
Miles
Williamson
Mitchelville
Monroe
Monticello
Montrose
Morning Sun
Mount Joy
Mt. Pleasant
Mt. Vernon
New Albin
New Hampton
New Hartford
New London
New Sharon
Newton
North English
North English
Northwood
Norwalk
Norway
Oelwein
Okoboji
Orleans
Osage
Oskaloosa
Ottumwa
Oxford
Oxford
Panorama Park
Park View
Park View
Park View
Park View
Perry
Pleasant Hill
Pleasant Valley
Pleasant Plain
Plymouth (NE)
Pocahontas
Polk
Prairie City
Prairie City
Princeton
Randall
Raymond
Red Oak
Redfield
Reinbeck
Riverside
Rockwell
Rockwell City
Rural Clinton County
Rural Jackson County
Sabal
Sac City
Sageville
Scott
Sheffield
Shelby
Sherwood Acres
Shueyville
Sibley
Siloam
Siloam
Spencer
Spillville
Spirit Lake
Storm Lake
Story City
Strawberry Pt.
Stuart
Sully
Sumner
Swede City
Swisher
Tama
Tiffin
Tipton
Toledo
Tracy
University Heights
University Park
Van Meter
Ventura
Villisca
Vinton
Wahtonka
Walcott
Wapello
Wapello
Washington
Waterloo
Waukon
Waukon
Waukon
Wellman
West Branch
West Burlington
West Des Moines
West Liberty
West Okoboji
West Point
West Union
Westwood
What Cheer
Williamsburg
Windsor Heights
Winter Fest
Woodburn
Woodward
Wright
Wyoming

KANSAS

Albion
Baldwin City
Burlingame
Burlington
Carbondale
Edgerton
communities served

YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A SCHOLARSHIP IF YOU LIVE IN A COMMUNITY LISTED BELOW

Eureka
Galen
Gridley
Hamilton
Lebo
Leroy
Lyndon
Madison
Mulberry
New Srawn
Osage City
Oswego
Scranton
Thayer
Toronto
Trece
Wellsville

KENTUCKY
Albany
Barren
Big Clifty
Bonniville
Breckenridge County
Brownsville
Burrusville
Butler County
Cadiz
Caldwell County
Calloway County
Caneville
Casey County
Christian County
Clinton County
Clinton County
Crittenden
Crofton
Cumberland
Davies County
Edmonson County
Elkton
Fordsville
Fort Campbell
Fredonia
Gamaiel
Grayson County
Guthrie
Hardin
Harl County
Henderson
Herdin County
Hopkins County
Hopkinsville
Larue County
Lincoln County
Madisonville
Marion
Marrowbone
Marshall County
Melwood
Monroe County
Morgantown
Munfordville
Nebo
Nortonville
Oak Grove
Pembroke
Pickett County
Princeton
Rockcastle County
Russell County
Salen
Sonora
St. Paul
Summershade
Todd County
Tompkinsville
Trenton
Trigg County
Upton
Whiteville

MARYLAND
Berlin
Ocean Pines
Pittsville
Whaleyville
Wicomico County
Williams
Worcester County

MICHIGAN
Almlena Township
Antwerp Township
Marcellus Township
Mattawan
Mendon
Mendon Township
Oshkemo

MINNESOTA
Adams
Appleton
Arlington
Atwater
Aurora
Beaver Bay
Belgrade
Belle Plaine
Bird Island
Biwabik
Blooming Prairie
Broten
Brownsville
Brownsville
Brownton
Buffalo Lake
Buhl
Butterfield
Caledonia
Calumet
Cannon Falls
Canton
Carleton
Chanhassen
Chatfield
Chisago City
Chisago Lake
Clara City
Cleveland
Clintony
Clontarf
Cloquet
Cohasset
Coleraine
Collinwood Township
Cook
Cosmos
Credit River
Dakota
Danube
Darwin
Dassell Township
Dawson
Deephaven
Dodge Center
Dover
Dover Township
Dresbach
Elko
Eveland
Excelsior
Fairfax
Fayal
Florence
Franklin
Fulda
Gaylord
Gibbon
Gilbert
Graceville
Grand Marais
Grand Rapids
Grand Rapids Township
Granite Falls
Greenwood
Grove City
Hastings
Hamburg
Hancock
Harris Township
Hassan Valley
Hayfield
Hector
Henderson
Hermantown
Hibbing
Hokah
Houston
Howard Lake
Hoyt Lakes
Hutchinson
Independence
Ivanhoe
Janesville
Kaposi
Keewatin
Kenyon
Kinney
Lafayette
Lake Benton
Lake City
Lake Crystal
Lake Jefferson
Lanesboro
Laprairie
Le Sueur
Leroy
Lester Prairie
Litchfield
Litchfield Township
Long Lake
Lonsdale
Loretto
Lower Sauk
Luverne
Lyle
Mabel
Madison
Mantorville
Maple Plain
Marble
Maynard
McKinnon
Medina
Midway Township
Minnetonka Beach
Minnetrista
Montgomery
Moose Lake
Moose Lake Township
Morris
Morris Township
Morton
Mound
Mountain Iron
Mountain Lake
Nashua
New Market
North Redwood
Norwood
Olivia
Orono
Pembine Township
Pennington
Pemberton
Piperstone
Preston
Prior Lake
Proctor
Redwood Falls
River Edge
Riverside Terrace
Rushford
Sage
Shorewood
Silver Bay
Silver Lake
Slaton
Sleepy Eye
Spring Grove
Spring Lake
Spring Park
Spring Valley
Spring Valley Township
Springfield
St. Bonifacius
St. James
St. Charles City
St. Charles Township
St. Peter
Starbuck
Stewart
Sturgeon Lake
Sunburg
Sunrise Villa
Taconite
Thomson
Tonga Bay
Trosky
Two Harbors
Tyler
Veselis
Victoria
Virginia
Waconia
Waldorf
Waltham
Waseca
Waxata
Webster
Wells
West Concord
Wheaton
Wyndemere
Winnebago
Winsted
Winthrop
Woodland
Wortington
Young America

MISSISSIPPI
Bay St. Louis
Hancock County
Jordon River Shores
Lucedale
Ocean Springs
Pearlington
Stone County
Waveland
Wiggins
Bethany

MISOURI
Airport Drive
Alba
Albany
Anderson
Appleton City
Archie
Ash Grove
Av
Battlefield
Cottleville
Billings
Boone County
Brunswick
Burl
Cabool
Callaway
Cameron
Carl Junction
Carrollton
Carthage County
Cassville
Clay County
Columbia
Cran
Crystal Lakes
Diamond
Duenweg
Duquesne
Edgar
Excelsior Estates
Excelsior Springs
Exeter
Forsyth
Forsyth Rural
Golden Good
Golden City
Goodman
Granby
Green County
Greene County
Greenfield
Hastings
Hastings Heights
Hennesett
Hermann
Holts Summit
Homestead Village
Jasper
Jasper County
Jefferson City
Jefferson County
Jeremiah City
Lawson
Liberal
Lockwood
Lowery City
Mansfield
Marceline
Marshfield
Miller
Mt. Vernon
Neck City
Newtonia (10/02)
Norborne
Oronogo
Osceola
Purcell
Purdy
Purdy Rural
Richmond
Rogersville
Salisbury
Sarcoxie
Springfield
Stark City (10/02)
Stratford
Strawberry
Univ. of Mo.
Walnut Grove
Willard
Wood Heights

NORTH CAROLINA
Arowhead
Aydelott
Camden
Chowan County
Chowan County
Cooper
Columbia
Conway
Cresswell
Eastern Bertie County
Edenton
Eftford
Jackson
Jamesville
Kelford
Levi
Martin County
Northampton County
Perquimans County
Plymouth
Powellville
Rapid (Naval Base)
Rich Square
Roper
Roxobel
Seaboard
Seaville
Tarrell
Washington
Western Bertie County
Windsor
Winfall
Woodland

OHIO
Antwerp
Hicksville

SOK DAKOTA
Arlington
Aurora
Brookings
Bruce
Castlwood
Colman
Desmet
Egan
Elkton
Estelline
Flandreau
Hay
t Lake Norden
Lake Preston
Valga
White

TENNESSEE
Ardmore
Dover
Elkton
Fayetteville
Fayetteville
Giles Cty
Indian Mound
Lincoln County
Steward County (Big Rock)
Camp Douglas

WISCONSIN
Albert
Argyle
Belmont
Benton
Blanchardville
Boscobel City
Bridgeport Township
Brookview
Brownstown
Caiston
Chaseburg
Crawford County
Cuba City
Darlington
De Soto
East Dubuque
Elkhorn
Ellomore
Ferryville
Footville
Fort McCoy
Gay Mills
Grant County
Greenfield
Hazel Green
Hustler
Iola
Juneau County
La Farge
Lacrosse
Lafayette Township
Lagrangef Township
Martin Township
Mauston
Monticello
Muscoa
Necedah
New Lisbon
Norwalk
Ontario
Oxfordsville
Potosi
Prairie Du Chien
Readstown
Richland County
Scandanaia
Sheboy
Shullsburg
Soldiers Grove
South Wayne
Stoddard
Sugar Creek
Tennsore
Vermont County
Viola
Viroqua
Westby
Wilton

http://www.youtube.com/user/MediacomCable
REFERENCES FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT

Please print the information below:

Name of Applicant__________________________________________________________

Your Name__________________________________________________________________________

Your Relationship to the Applicant __________________________________________________________

Please rank the Applicant in each of the categories below by circling the appropriate number for each item.
The Applicant must mail this and all other application materials on or before February 17, 2017.

RATING SCALE

Rate the Applicant compared to the typical student in your school.

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Signature of Person Completing This Form_________________________________________ Date ______________________

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.
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• Leadership in school 4 3 2 1
• Leadership in community 4 3 2 1
• Character and integrity 4 3 2 1
• Self-reliance 4 3 2 1
• Initiative 4 3 2 1
• Creativity 4 3 2 1

I hereby declare that the above information is accurate to the best of my knowledge and/or opinion.

Signature of Person Completing This Form _______________________________ Date __________________________

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