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**AUTOMOTIVE TECHNICIAN
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
Guidelines**

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNICIAN SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

- A. Students must fill out the Confirmation Form, which states his/her intention to accept the Foundation's scholarship, enroll/matriculate at the college in an automotive program and actively take auto tech classes each semester. This form must be completed, signed and returned to the Foundation office by the deadline on the form in order for the scholarship to be awarded.**
- B. Scholarship recipients must be enrolled at a two-year, Associate degree-granting, accredited college. Those colleges currently include:**
- Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology (General Automotive), MA
 - Hudson Valley Community College (ASEP, CAP), NY
 - Lakes Region Community College (ASEP), NH
 - Manchester Community College (CAP), NH
 - Massachusetts Bay Community College (ASEP, BMW, CAP & T-TEN), MA
 - Middlesex Community College (General Automotive), MA
 - Nashua Community College (PACT, General Automotive), NH
 - New England Institute of Technology (General Automotive), RI
- Other colleges that meet these requirements may qualify.*
- C. Scholarship recipients must be actively taking automotive tech classes each semester or they will no longer qualify for the scholarship.**
- D. Scholarship recipients must maintain *at least* a 3.0 cumulative GPA in their automotive courses each semester.**
- i. If the student's GPA falls below 3.0 the student will be placed on Probation for the following semester and payment for that term deferred.
 - ii. At the end of the probationary semester if the GPA for that term is below 3.0 the student will no longer be eligible for our scholarship and the student will be suspended from the program completely.
 - iii. However, if the student brings their GPA for the completed probationary semester up to at least 3.0, the student will maintain their eligibility and the scholarship payment for that semester will be paid to their college.
- E. Scholarship recipients must maintain a satisfactory attendance record and academic standing in all courses.**
- F. If a scholarship recipient leaves and then returns to the college program or drops their auto tech classes, he/she will no longer qualify for the scholarship. Students who drop auto tech classes or leave the program are still welcome to reapply for the scholarship the following year.**

G. Co-op Component

Scholarship recipients must arrange their co-op (unless your program specifically exempts you from doing so until the following semester). Please note that scholarship recipients must do their co-op work for a Massachusetts dealership.

- **Scholarship Recipients in a manufacturer-backed automotive program**

By the second semester, we assume that scholarship recipients have begun their co-op. If you make other arrangements with the school, please notify us. If you are not able to find a dealership co-op on your own, your school will offer assistance in placing you at a dealership. Otherwise, you may jeopardize your scholarship. Once you begin, you must be engaged in your co-op for the entire time that you receive a scholarship. Your co-op must be at a Massachusetts-based dealership.

- **Scholarship Recipients in a general automotive program**

Scholarship recipients must complete 200 hours of work in a Massachusetts-based dealership during the summer between their 1st and 2nd year. If you have trouble finding a position at a dealership, please contact us as soon as possible. Otherwise, you may jeopardize your scholarship.

H. Amounts awarded

- Your scholarship amount will be outlined in the letter sent to you once your confirmation form has been received by the Foundation Office.
- Funds will be deposited directly to the scholarship recipient's college account once we have confirmed enrollment.
- Scholarship recipients cannot receive more than the total cost of a college program through scholarships.
- If there is ever an overpayment to the account, the funds will be reimbursed to MSADCF, not the student.