LACKAWANNA COLLEGE
COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

Description
The Lackawanna College Community Opportunity Scholarships were established in 2013 as part of the larger effort by the College to better serve students from the Northeast Pennsylvania region. These Lackawanna College sponsored scholarships will be awarded annually to students from communities surrounding all Lackawanna College locations. With these new scholarships, Lackawanna College hopes to afford local commuter students the opportunity to complete their academic aspirations without incurring the burden of student loans. This award will be granted annually the most deserving individual from the applicant pool.

Criteria
Scholarships are awarded annually to the ten (10) graduating seniors who desire an opportunity to achieve their academic goals beyond high school. Consideration for these awards will include past academic performance, participation in both extracurricular and community service activities as well as other variables as best exemplified by the applicant. Each applicant will be asked to explain in their application essay: 1.) Why they are deserving of this award and 2.) How it will impact and/or assist their future plans.

All applicants from this award must be accepted and fully processed as a Lackawanna College student and must have completed the FAFSA and other required financial aid paperwork by the application deadline in order to be eligible for the award.

Eligible candidates must have graduated from one of the following high schools: Abington Heights, Carbondale, Delaware Valley, Dunmore, Holy Cross, Honesdale, Lackawanna Trail, Lakeland, Mid Valley, North Pocono, Old Forge, Riverside, Scranton, Tunkhannock, Valley View, Wallenpaupack, West Scranton, and Western Wayne.

Award
The actual amount of the award is the applicant’s tuition balance after all need based financial aid (grants only) have been applied to the student’s account. This scholarship is for fall and spring semester tuition only and is limited to two (2) academic years.

Application Procedure
Applicants must submit the application to the Lackawanna College Admissions Office along with required materials by the application deadline. Selected students will be notified shortly after the deadline.

Deadline
Application deadline for this scholarship is May 1.
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PERSONAL INFORMATION
Name ________________________________Social Security #__________________
Address ______________________________________________________________
City___________________________________State__________Zip______________
Home Phone (____)________________Mobile Phone (____)____________________
Email Address_____________________

ACADEMIC INFORMATION
High School ______________________________Graduation Date________________
Intended Major__________________________________________________________
List any awards, honors, extracurricular activities or community service activities:
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INITIAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
• Must be a 2014 graduate of one of the listed high schools.
• Submit a two hundred (200) word essay on the importance of receiving this scholarship
  o See Criteria section on page one for full details
• Submit a copy of official high school transcript.
• Submit a letter of recommendation from a teacher, administrator or community leader.
• Student must commit to attending Lackawanna College for one full academic year.
• Scholarship Application Deadline is May 1.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN AWARD
• Student must maintain full-time enrollment status (12 credits or more) to maintain eligibility.
• Student must complete at least twelve (12) credits in good academic standing after one semester to maintain eligibility.
• Student must complete 24 credits with a 2.50 GPA during first academic year to be eligible for second year.
• Student will be required to participate in various campus and community service projects that could include peer mentoring, completion of community service hours and attendance at various focus group sessions.
• Student must be clear of any academic or disciplinary action to maintain eligibility.

Signature__________________________________________Date____________________
I give Lackawanna College permission to use information from my academic records and financial aid application during the review of my eligibility for any scholarship. I understand that additional information may be requested in order to properly evaluate and complete the scholarship application process.