



# POLK STATE COLLEGE

## PUBLIC SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application Deadline: Monday, February 29, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Public Service Scholarships are awarded to high school juniors to promote and represent Polk State College ("the College") to his/her fellow students during his/her senior year of high school. In addition, the recipient must serve as an ambassador representing the College and assist in various recruitment activities and other events as designated by the Dean of Student Services of his/her campus.

The Public Service Scholarship is for the amount of course fees for of a maximum of sixty (60) college credit hours. The award must be used within three (3) years for courses required to complete the recipient's declared program of study at the College.

**Criteria:** Applicants must attend a regionally accredited Polk County public or private high school and have a cumulative, unweighted Grade Point Average of 2.75 or higher. Successful applicants must have also completed a minimum of fifty (50) hours of community service documented on his/her transcript or verified on letterhead from his/her high school.

**Continued Eligibility:** After high school graduation (while attending Polk State College), recipients must maintain full-time enrollment each term at the College (i.e. at least twelve (12) credit hours during both the fall and spring terms). Recipients must also maintain "Good Academic Standing" as defined in the College's Standards of Academic Progress. Finally, students must meet the service obligations of the scholarship by his/her continued participation in recruiting activities and other events designated by the Dean of Student Services of his/her campus.

**Required Information:** All of the following documents, in addition to this application, must be submitted as a complete packet to the address at the bottom of this form by the application deadline of Monday, February 29, 2016 by 5:00 p.m.:

- Official High School Transcript.
- A Cover Letter, outlining your educational plans and career goals, including highlights of any awards, volunteer service projects, special achievements, and/or extra-curricular activities.
- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation from people other than relatives (e.g. a teacher, guidance counselor, pastor, or employer).
- Documentation of completion of fifty (50) hours of community service (*if not noted on your Official High School Transcript*).

*Note: Any incomplete application packet which does not include all of the required information will not be considered.*

**NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS WILL BE MADE IN LATE MAY 2016.**

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

Polk State College ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Numbers \_\_\_\_\_  
IF KNOWN HOME PHONE NUMBER CELL PHONE NUMBER

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS OR PO BOX

High School Name \_\_\_\_\_ GPA as of 01/01/16 \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_  
CUMULATIVE, UNWEIGHTED

*Please Mail Completed Application Packets to:* Byron Loyd,  
Academic Advisor  
Polk State College  
3425 Winter Lake Road  
Lakeland, FL 33803