

All-USA Community College Team - Applications available now!

Campus Deadline: Friday, November 4, 2011 - Program Deadline: Thursday, December 1, 2011

Help Mesa College identify 2 nominees from our campus. Encourage students to apply.

Please announce in your areas and forward/print copies of this message for eligible students.

Scholarships

All-USA Community College Academic Team



The All-USA Community College Academic Team is presented by USA TODAY and Phi Theta Kappa and sponsored by Follett Higher Education Group. **Twenty students will be selected to the national team, each receiving a \$2,500 scholarship and medallion.** These students will be featured in the USA TODAY newspaper and presented at Phi Theta Kappa's Presidents Breakfast held during the Annual Convention of the American Association of Community Colleges Convention (AACC) April 23, 2012, in Orlando, Florida.

Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team



The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation sponsors the Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team. In addition, the Coca-Cola Foundation, along with the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation recognizes the New Century Scholars. **Fifty students will be named Gold Scholars, each receiving a \$1,500 scholarship, fifty students will be named Silver Scholars, each receiving a \$1,250 scholarship, and fifty students will be named Bronze Scholars, each receiving a \$1,000 scholarship.** A state may have multiple Gold, Silver, or Bronze Scholars. All scholars will also receive special medallions. **The top scoring student in each of the fifty states will be named a New Century Scholar and will receive a \$2,000 stipend.** In addition, one student from a Phi Theta Kappa chapter in Alberta, Canada, and one student from a chapter in one of six sovereign nations where Phi Theta Kappa chapters exist will be awarded.

JACK KENT COOKE Jack Kent Cooke FOUNDATION

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation's Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship Program honors excellence by supporting outstanding community college students with financial need as they transfer to and complete their bachelor's degrees at the nation's top four-year colleges and universities. The Foundation selects up to 50 community college transfer students each year and awards each scholar up to **\$30,000 annually.**

Eligibility Requirements

All-USA Community College & Coca-Cola Academic Teams

- Must be enrolled at a community college through December 2011.
- Must have a cumulative college-level GPA of 3.50 on a 4.0 scale for all coursework completed in the last five years (Fall 2006-present), regardless of institution attended. If the student has attended more than one school, all transcripts may be recalculated to determine the cumulative GPA for all college-level coursework taken. GPA is evaluated at the point of application and the student must maintain a 3.50 or higher GPA through the Fall 2011 semester to remain eligible.
- Students must be on track to earn an associate or a bachelor's degree (or the equivalent of a U.S. associate or bachelor's degree). Students need to have a minimum of 36 semester (or 48 quarter) college-level credits completed at or transferred to a community college by December 31, 2011 and 48 semester (or 72 quarter), college-level credits by August 31, 2012. Students must have a minimum of 30 semester (or 45 quarter), college-level credit hours completed at a community college in the past five years. (Courses must be college-level. Developmental or remedial coursework, such as pre-algebra or basic writing, will be removed when determining number of credits as well as cumulative GPA.)
- To be considered for the Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team, the student must be enrolled at least part-time at a two-year or four-year college for the Fall 2012 semester. Proof of enrollment will be requested.
- Must not have been nominated previously for the All-USA Community College Academic Team or the Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team.
- Must have a community college record free of suspension, probation or other serious disciplinary action. Nominee must not have a criminal record, or if a convicted felon must have all conditions of sentencing, including probation, completed.
- The student must hold temporary or permanent residency in the country of the community college the student is attending or possess a visa considered appropriate by the college. Please see the student application for acceptable documents verifying proof of citizenship.

- Students who attend community college in the United States do not need to be members of Phi Theta Kappa. Students attending community colleges outside of the U.S. need to be members of Phi Theta Kappa and may only apply for the New Century Scholars program. Both students attending in the U.S. and internationally should submit the All-USA Community College Academic Team/Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team nomination form and materials.

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- Be a current student at an accredited US community college or two-year institution with sophomore status by December 31, 2011, or a recent graduate (since spring 2007).
- Plan to enroll full-time in a baccalaureate program at an accredited college or university in fall 2012.
- Have a cumulative undergraduate grade-point average of 3.50 or better on a scale of 4.0 (or the equivalent).
- Be nominated by the [Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Faculty Representative](#) at his or her two-year institution. Mesa's representative is Professor Alison Primoza.
- Have significant unmet financial need.
- Have not previously been nominated for the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship.

While the Foundation considers academic excellence first in evaluating candidates, competitive applicants must also demonstrate unmet financial need, which has two components:

- Education costs that are appreciably greater than the total amount of other scholarships or grant awards.
- Insufficient student and family income to meet educational costs.

Mesa College Nomination process

All-USA & Coca Cola Community College Teams

All students may log in to the application by going to <http://my.ptk.org/edge/>. Phi Theta Kappa members may log in using their Phi Theta Kappa username and password. If they have forgotten their log in, follow the steps on the log in page for **"Forgot Username or Password."**

Non-members may access the application by selecting the link that says **"Create Non-Member Account"** on the log in page. Non-members should follow the instructions to create an account and view the application. Once the student has logged in, he or she should select the link in the center of the page that says **"2011 Fall Scholarship Programs."** They should follow the instructions and enter the enrollment key when instructed.

Mesa's Enrollment Key is MDg5MTA18193.

The application is a Common Application and Phi Theta Kappa members may apply for separate Phi Theta Kappa Guistwhite and/or Hites Transfer Scholarships at the same time as the All-USA Community College Academic Team.

DEADLINES

Each campus can nominate 2 students by December 1, 2011. In order to meet this deadline Mesa College will be accepting nominations through Friday, November 4, 2011. A committee will review the applications and make certain that the nominees meet the eligibility criteria. The committee will then select two nominees and will work with them to ensure completeness of their applications before submission as our Mesa College nominees.

Jack Kent Cooke Scholarships

Students can check the [Jack Kent Cooke Foundation](#) website for application materials. Return the appropriate forms to Faculty Representative, Alison Primoza (G-239) by Friday, November 4, 2011. **FOUR** students will be nominated for the award. Students will then be put into a pool of nationwide candidates and a handful of recipients will be chosen by the Foundation next year. For more information call Professor Primoza at 619.388 2351 or visit www.sdmesa.edu/honors/scholarship.cfm

Applicants for the All-USA and Coca Cola Community College Teams may also be identified as possible Mesa College nominees for the Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship.

For more information:

- visit <http://www.ptk.org/?q=become-a-member/scholarships&destination=node/18893>
- call the Dean of Student Affairs Office at (619) 388-2699, or,
- stop by (H-500)