



Tips for a Successful Application

Contact Information

- Confirm that your email and phone number are correct.

School Activities, Volunteerism, and Work/Internship Experience

- List any extra-curricular activities that you have been involved in throughout your high school career.
- Provide an accurate length of participation and list any leadership positions held.
- Avoid putting the same activities or work/internship experience in multiple places.

Personal Essay/Statement (for high school students)

- Give yourself ample time to develop thorough responses and to proof for spelling/grammar. It is recommended that you have a knowledgeable person review your responses.
- Be clear, informative, and stay on topic.
- Show your passion to differentiate yourself.
- Demonstrate your need for financial assistance and how this scholarship will help you attain your academic goals.

Letter of Recommendation

- For your letter of recommendation, be sure to secure an individual that is an employer, teacher, advisor, mentor, and/or coach.
- The author of your letter should know you well, be able to write a good recommendation, and advocate for your character and work ethic.
- Do not wait until the last minute to request your letter of recommendation.
- Make sure the letter is submitted by the deadline.

References

- When listing references on your application, ask your reference(s) before providing their information and let them know they may receive a call from the Cal Coast Cares Foundation regarding your application.

Questions? Please contact Brittany Rodriguez via email at brodriguez@calcoastcu.org or phone at (619) 458-4605.