



JACK KENT COOKE FOUNDATION (JKCF) UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP

CHECKLIST: APPLYING FOR THE JKCF SCHOLARSHIP www.jkcf.org

DONE	ITEMS TO COMPLETE OR REVIEW
	Deadline date added to my calendar, noted deadline is Eastern Standard Time (+3 hrs. ahead of Calif.)
	I read the JKCF Facts And Questions (FAQs) and meet the eligibility requirements to apply:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Have a cumulative 3.5 - 4.0 GPA based on cumulative GPA from <u>all</u> undergraduate schools attended.</i> • <i>Academic record lists achievement and determination in line with aspiration.</i> • <i>Sophomore status: I will have sufficient credits to transfer to 4-yr college in the fall</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>My achievements show high academic performance or steady improvement, including rigorous curriculum and/or Honors courses, member of Honors, Phi Theta Kappa, on President's List, and/or received scholarships, awards.</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>I have unmet financial need, my educational costs are greater than the total amount of grants or scholarships, have insufficient student and family income to meet the education costs.</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>I have a desire to engage in and contribute to the world, such as engage in purposeful, meaningful commitment to others evidenced by participation in volunteer/community service, developed programs, tools, or products to help others, completed research into important issues, or created works of art to share with others.</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Have persistence and determination in achieving goals, demonstrate intellectual curiosity.</i> • <i>I am self-confident, have a positive self-esteem: believe in oneself, take appropriate risks, am comfortable seeking help and asking for advice.</i>
	Registered/reviewed the application: http://www.jkcf.org
	Ordered "official" Transcripts from <u>all</u> colleges attended within the last 15 years.
	Identified two (2) Recommenders who can provide substantive assessment and thoughtful observations of my achievements and who know me well.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Printed "How to ask for a Letter of Recommendation and Student Checklist" on the MCC Scholarship website, and will follow the checklist when meeting with my Recommenders.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arranged a day/time to meet with first Recommender (who <u>must</u> be an academic professional at MiraCosta: an advisor, instructor, or professor, well acquainted with your work and character)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arranged a day/time to meet with second Recommender (who <u>may</u> be an academic professional at MiraCosta: instructor, professor, advisor, or other person well acquainted with your work and character)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entered each Recommender's email address into the application, informed them that they will receive an email with the link to access the required forms, and gave them the due date.
	Gathered the previous three years of Federal Tax Returns
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If under 30 years old, Financial Information is required from both biological or adoptive parents regardless of the your dependent or independent status. If your parents are not married to each other, separate form for each parent. If only one parent, the sole parent must complete the form.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent email is <i>unique</i> to them and not shared
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blacked out Social Security numbers on all Federal Tax Returns before uploading into application.
	Made a list of all the Scholarships and/or honors received and added to application.
	Started the Essays , made an appointment with the Writing Center. Noted the required lengths for each essay are listed as "characters," which include spaces and paragraphs.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My essays show logical reasoning, constructed as a strong and well-crafted argument, evaluated information and opinions in a systematic, purposeful, and efficient manner
	Double checked application: uploaded three years of Federal tax returns, all parent forms, and <u>official</u> transcript(s). Two letters of recommendation entered, essays reviewed and completed, transfer schools researched with strong statements included, listed all honors and scholarships, etc.
	Submitted the application before the posted due date to avoid experiencing technical problems due to volume.
	I understand late entries will not be accepted.
	I completed next year's FAFSA www.fafsa.gov –or– California Dream Act https://dream.csac.ca.gov/
	Questions? Scholarships@JKCF.org, 800.941.3300, or contact Scholarship Office
	I continue to apply for more scholarships