

SCHOLARSHIP SCORING GUIDE: PTK (Revised: 2016)

The points system outlined on this form is used to judge scholarship applicants for RC Foundation scholarships. It attempts to provide a fair numerical system for the ranking the content and quality of applications. A team of at least 2-3 members will review and score each application.

SCORING GUIDELINES & DIRECTIONS	POINTS GUIDE	Score
ACADEMICS Cumulative GPA (Confirm with transcript)	3.8 and above = 5 points 3.5 – 3.79 = 4 points 3.0 – 3.4 = 3 points 2.5 – 2.9 = 2 point 2.0 – 2.4 = 1 point	Range: 1 – 5
COMMITMENT/INTEREST IN PROGRAM Why did you choose your program of study? What are your short- and long-range education and employment goals? Describe projects or activities you have accomplished related to your program of study. (up to 750 words)	Rate the student's answer based on the level and quality of detail provided: Excellent, Detailed: 11-15 points Average, somewhat detailed: 6-10 points Weak, not detailed: 1-5 points	1-15
SCHOOL / FAMILY / WORK / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Describe in detail your duties and responsibilities in school, family, employment and community. Include any relationship to your program of study. Describe your leadership roles and awards you received. If you have not been involved in activities, please explain why. (up to 1000 words)	Rate the student's answer based on the level and quality of detail provided: Excellent, detailed: 11-15 points Average, somewhat detailed: 6-10 points Weak, not detailed: 1-5 points	1-15
LIFE EXPERIENCES THAT HAVE INFLUENCED PERSONAL GROWTH Compose a personal history including any significant events in your life that have influenced your personal growth and professional goals. Describe any difficulties, you have experienced in your life and how you have overcome these obstacles to become personally and academically successful. Explain the impact that a scholarship would have on you. (Up to 1000 words)	Rate the student's answer based on the level and quality of detail provided: Excellent, detailed: 11-15 points Average, somewhat detailed: 6-10 points Weak, not detailed: 1-5 points	1-15
Phi Theta Kappa and/or Bookstore Involvement/Participation: To what degree is this student involved in Phi Theta Kappa activities? Is this student a Willmar campus bookstore employee?	Very Involved.....16-20 Above Average Involvement = 11-15 Average Involvement = 6-10 Slightly Involved = 1-5	1 – 20
DEMONSTRATED LEADERSHIP: On a scale of 0-5, assign a rating appropriate for this student's demonstrated leadership roles and abilities.	Exceptional = 5 Above Average = 4 Average = 3 Below Average = 2 Poor = 1 None = 0	Range: 0 – 5
RECOMMENDATION(s): Rate the extent to which the recommender(s) support the applicant's potential for success, character, leadership, work ethic, motivation to succeed, etc.	Scale 1 to 5, 5 being the highest	1-5
QUALITY & FORMAT OF APPLICATION: Degree to which applicant has demonstrated (1) proper use of English mechanics - grammar, capitalization, punctuation, etc.; and (2) thoughtfulness and effort in completing application.	Excellent: Complete, coherent, polished writing: 8-10 pts Average: Somewhat complete & coherent writing: 5-7 Weak: Incomplete, incoherent, 1 st draft quality: 1-4	1-10
IMPACT OF SCHOLARSHIP	Rate the degree to which the student has indicated a scholarship would impact them. (1=very little impact to 5=extreme impact).	0-5
MAX POINTS POSSIBLE:		70