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January 20, 2016

Dear Student:

Enclosed is a Greenville County Schools Scholarship Golf Tournament application. Please complete the application and return to your school counselor by **Friday, March 4, 2016**. Scholarship recipients will be announced in April.

If you have questions, please contact your school counselor.

Sincerely,

G. Rob Rhodes

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Director of School Counseling Services

Greenville County School District

Enclosure

**Purpose**

The Greenville County Schools Scholarship Golf Tournament proceeds provide district seniors with financial assistance for their freshman year of college.

**Scholarship Awards**

Seniors from eligible Greenville County Schools (GCS) high schools and eligible charter high schools located within the GCS’s geographic area are nominated by their school to receive a scholarship. High schools that participated in this school year’s Scholarship Golf Tournament are eligible to submit student applications. The maximum number of applications submitted by a school is based on the school’s 45-day student enrollment as follows: 1200 or less – 2, 1201 to 1799 – 3, and 1800 or more – 4. Half of the scholarships are designated for children of district employees. The number of scholarships and financial amounts are determined each year.

**Award Amounts**: $1,500 ($750 per semester) $900 ($450 per semester)

Scholarship recipients must earn and maintain a minimum of 12 credit hours each academic semester of their freshman year. Scholarship awards are paid to each student’s post-secondary institution of choice in two installments, in the fall and the spring.

**Eligibility**

• Senior student enrolled for his/her entire senior year in any eligible GCS or charter high school located in the geographic area of GCS

• Plan to enroll in an accredited two- or four-year post-secondary institution

• A cumulative 3.0 or better grade point average based on a 4.0 scale

• Ranked in top 30th percentile of their senior class based on the 7th semester transcript

• Active in school and/or community activities

• Must not have received notification they will receive a scholarship of $5,000 or more from another source by date winners are named (Palmetto and Life Scholarships are exempt)

• Scholarship application must be submitted by the school

**Application Deadlines**

**Applications from students must be completed and returned by Friday, March 4, 2016 to the student’s school counselor to be eligible.**

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**Application**

**Student’s School**:

**Student’s Name**:

**Preferred Name**:

**Parent/Guardian’s Name**:

**Child of District Employee (Permanent Full or Part-time)**:  Yes  No

**If Yes, List Employee’s Job Title and Location**:

**Home Address**:

**Home Telephone Number**:

**Home E-Mail Address**:

**Post-Secondary Institution Planning to Attend**:

**Return Completed Application to School Counselor**

**By Friday, March 4, 2016**

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**Student’s Name**:

**Student’s School**:

**Interest in Scholarship Program**

In ***500 words or less***, please indicate why you are interested in applying for a Greenville County Schools Scholarship. Include your educational and career goals in your essay. (**Please attach to this sheet**)

**References**

Submit two (2) letters of recommendations from individuals (not relatives) who have known you for at least one year. (**Please attach to this sheet**)

**Community Service**

Please list your involvement with school and community activities. (**Please attach to this sheet**)

**Return Completed Application to School Counselor**

**By Friday, March 4, 2016**