

## **American Association of Railroad Superintendents Frank J. Richter Scholarship Program**

The American Association of Railroad Superintendents (AARS) is pleased to announce the availability of annual scholarships for eligible college or university students enrolled at an accredited college or university in the United States or Canada.

### **Eligibility**

To be eligible for consideration, an applicant must:

- Be enrolled at the time of application as a full-time undergraduate or graduate student at an accredited college or university. Preference will be given to those applicants enrolled in the transportation field and all applicants will be considered.
- Demonstrate successful completion of the previous year's study by maintaining at least a 2.75 accumulated grade point average on a scale of 1 to 4 with an "A" equal to 4.
- Accumulate enough credits from accredited school(s) in time for the Fall Semester to have obtained at least a sophomore level standing at the college or university of enrollment.

### ***Amount of Scholarship Award - \$1,000.00***

Scholarship funds, awarded annually, are sent to the Financial Aid Office at each recipient's institution at the beginning of the Fall Term of his/her second year of study.

### ***Application Deadline - July 1st***

Applications must be sent to the President of the AARS and postmarked **no later than July 1, 2009** for consideration for the following Fall Term. Applications are available through the AARS web site, [www.railroadsuperintendents.org](http://www.railroadsuperintendents.org)., or the AARS Office, PO Box 200, La Fox, IL 60147  
Phone 331-643-3369 or 630-762-0754.

### ***Application Process***

To apply for the Frank J. Richter scholarship the following materials must be completed and submitted to the President of the AARS:

1. A completed **Application for Undergraduate/Graduate Scholarship Program** form including the narrative requested in Section E of the Application.
2. An official transcript from the school(s) attended, including work completed through May of the year application is made.

3. Two letters of recommendation.

The application and narrative statement are to be submitted in one envelope. Arrange to have transcript(s) and letters of recommendation sent directly to AARS from the appropriate person.

***Evaluation and Notification***

The AARS Scholarship Committee will base its evaluation for awards on the materials submitted. Points will be assigned for the narrative, recommendations, activities and honors and the applicant's overall abilities.

**Candidates will be notified of the Committee's decision by September 1st.**

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RAILROAD SUPERINTENDENTS**

**Application for the  
FRANK RICHTER AARS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

*Please type or print the following information, attaching an additional sheet if more space is needed.*

**A. BACKGROUND**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

*Last First Middle*

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

*E. Mail Address*

MARRIED: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ *If married, give spouse's name* \_\_\_\_\_

*List names and ages of dependent children and names and relationships of other persons for whom you provide support.*

*What sources of income, including scholarships, will you have while attending college?*

**B. EDUCATION**

Present College or University: \_\_\_\_\_

*Name Location (City & State)*

*Major Course of Study Credited Hours Earned to Date Accumulated Grade Point Average*

*Other Colleges or Universities attended:*

*Name Location (City & State) Dates of Attendance*

*Major Course of Study Degree if any Accumulated Grade Point Average*

*List any other schools attended, e.g., vocational or industrial schools, including dates of attendance and subjects completed:*

*If different from your present college or university as listed above, provide the name and address of the college or university where you will be enrolled while finishing your degree program and using this scholarship:*

*Name Location (City & State)*

**C. WORK EXPERIENCE (Most Recent First)**

Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Period of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Position & Description of Duties: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Period of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Position & Description of Duties: \_\_\_\_\_

May we contact your employers for information? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Do you intend to work for your present employer after completion of your studies? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**D. SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES AND HONORS**

*List professional societies, civic organizations, sports, important committees or other significant organizations or activities in which you participate.*

*List honors or special awards in recognition of your professional or community activities:*

**E. NARRATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

*Prepare a narrative, not exceeding 1,350 words, on a separate double spaced typewritten sheet with your name at the top. In your narrative include the following:*

- 1. A brief description of your present and any future study program;

2. Any research projects or school activities in which you are now or have been involved;
3. Post-graduate plans;
4. Why you feel you are deserving of this scholarship;
5. Your professional goals and aspirations after graduation;
6. A brief discussion of your interest in transportation; and
7. Any other pertinent information you feel important to your application.

**F. REFERENCES AND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

Provide the names and addresses of two references who will write letters of recommendation for you. Include one faculty member at the school in which you are currently enrolled and another reference of your own choosing. The latter may include a faculty member, your department head, current or former employer, AARS member, or other responsible person. It is your responsibility to obtain the references and request that they submit their letters directly to the Association postmarked no later than July 1<sup>st</sup>..

**REFERENCE NO. 1**

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Name Title Company \_\_\_\_\_

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Office Address City State Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCE NO. 2**

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Name Title Company \_\_\_\_\_

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Office Address City State Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**G. FINANCIAL AID REFERENCE**

Provide the following information about the Financial Aid Office at the school you will be attending:

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Financial Aid Office Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Contact \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that all statements contained in this application are correct and, if selected, I agree to utilize the monies for the purpose stated:

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL APPLICATION, NARRATIVE, TRANSCRIPTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RAILROAD SUPERINTENDENTS, P.O. BOX 200, LA FOX, IL 60147