

# 2021 MNTC AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS

Each school year, Automotive Service Technology (AST) students who meet the requirements will be eligible to apply for four scholarships. These scholarships can be applied toward tuition, books or industry tools. Students may qualify to receive only one of these scholarships per year.

Applicants should be currently enrolled, and continuing in any AST course major(s). Applicants are judged on multiple factors, including performance in their automotive technology courses, overall academic performance, instructor(s) evaluation, GPA, mentor evaluation and participation in other activities, such as SkillsUSA. Applicant's attendance must be within the guidelines of MNTC attendance policy. Deserving students must possess "the right attitude and have a good work ethic", distinguishing themselves in the Auto Service program.

## The MNTC Fueling Dreams Scholarship

Made possible by industry partners who contribute annually to the MNTC Foundation to award scholarships to deserving automotive students wishing to pursue employment or post-secondary opportunities. Open to adult or high school students.

**Scholarship Awards include:**    1-\$1250  
   1-\$500  
   2-\$250

## The Michael Walls Scholarship

Established by the family and friends of Michael Walls. Michael passed away during his senior year at Moore Norman Technology Center in December 1991. He was a student in the Auto Service program. One scholarship is awarded to a dynamic automotive high school student to use toward tuition and/or tools for the AST. And, one wishing to pursue employment or post-secondary opportunities.

**Scholarship Award includes:**    2-\$500



# The Tristen Ballinger Keep Calm Race On(KCRO) Scholarship Fund

Established by the family and friends of Tristen Ballinger. Tristen was diagnosed with ALD (Adrenoleukodystrophy) June of 2017. A month into his senior year in the Auto Service Technology program Tristen underwent a stem cell transplant. And in August 2018, due to transplant related complications Tristen passed away. This scholarship is awarded to the person who is passionate about cars, loves the sound of an engine, wants a career in the automotive industry, and dreams about racing.

**Scholarship Award includes:** 1-\$500



# The Danny Stevens Memorial Scholarship

Established by a student graduate of the MNTC Automotive Service Technology Program in memory of Automotive Instructional Assistant Danny Ray Stevens. Mr. Stevens was passionate about the automotive industry and took pride in sharing his knowledge with students. When students displayed a sincere interest in learning Mr. Stevens was very happy to mentor and guide throughout the educational training. In April of 2014, Danny Stevens passed away unexpectedly leaving a lasting impression on students, faculty, and staff at MNTC. This scholarship is awarded to the person who shows a sincere passion for continued education and or career in the automotive industry.

**Scholarship Awards include:** 1-\$250



**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION ON PAGE 3 & 4**

# Application Form – Auto Service Technology Scholarship(s)

## Completed applications are due February 1, 2021 to Instructor Lee Dow

Please mark the appropriate box for the scholarship(s) for which you are applying:

- ☐ MNTC Fueling Dreams Scholarships – Adult or High School Student
- ☐ AST Michael Walls Scholarship – Adult or High School Student
- ☐ AST Tristen Ballinger Scholarship – Adult or High School Student
- ☐ AST Danny Stevens Scholarship – Adult or High School Student

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Please Print*

The following questions will help us determine your current need. Please answer each question.

- I am a(n)      ☐ Adult Student      ☐ High School Student
- Are you currently employed?      Yes ☐      No ☐
- Are you employed as an automotive intern?      Yes ☐      No ☐

If yes where? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your current Career Major Grade in AST? \_\_\_\_\_ How many absences for the academic year? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please have instructor initial that this information is correct.** Initials \_\_\_\_\_

### Check List:

Check that you have included all required documentation.

- ☐ Application
- ☐ Essay
- ☐ Resume

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

The Michael Walls, Tristen Ballinger, Danny Stevens and Fueling Dreams Scholarships are used by the recipients to purchase tools and/or for other academic reasons. Please type a one page essay about yourself. Answer the following questions within the essay.

1. Tell us about yourself. Your family, interests, hobbies, etc.
2. Why did you choose to pursue a career in the automotive field?
3. What are your career plans after graduation from MNTC, short and long term goals?
4. Which would benefit you the most, tools or continuing your education and why?
5. Give an example of an accomplishment of which you are most proud.

**Scholarship Instructions:**

- The application should be completed with all lines checked.
- The essay section should answer all five (5) questions. Each question should have its own paragraph, separated by an extra line.
- Before turning in the application packet make sure you have included: the application, one page summary essay, and a one page resume.

**Interview Prep:**

Review the following tips and information regarding the interview.

1. Appearance, Composure, and Nonverbal Communication
  - a. Handshake/Greeting/Closing
  - b. Grooming/Neatness
  - c. Attire
  - d. Eye Contact/Posture
2. Preparation
  - a. Students should prepare one to two questions to ask during the interview.
    - Example: When will I know if I have been chosen to receive a scholarship?
  - b. The questions should be related to the scholarship and/or interview process (Knowledgeable questions)
    - Example: How might I improve my interview skills?
3. Verbal Communication
  - a. Delivery /Animation
  - b. Absence of Verbalized Pauses
  - c. Grammar and Vocabulary
  - d. Presentation of Ideas
  - e. Conciseness/Brevity
4. Direction
  - a. Well-Defined Goals
  - b. Confidence
  - c. Realistic/Practical
5. Personality
  - a. Enthusiastic
  - b. Motivated
  - c. Sincere
6. Qualifications
  - a. Academic Preparation
  - b. Work Experience
  - c. Leadership Experience

**Interview Questions:** This is a list of questions that the interviewers *may* ask. However, be prepared to answer questions not listed as well.

- Tell us about yourself
- Why did you choose this field?
- Why should we choose you for this scholarship?
- What are your goals? Short and long-term.
- If we speak with your instructors, what would they likely say about you?
- Why did you choose to apply for this scholarship?
- If you were to start over, what would you change about your education?
- Are you interested in pursuing a more advanced level of education?
- How can you make a difference in the automotive industry?