Jump Start Construction Connect Scholars Program

On behalf of the Louisiana Construction Education Foundation (LCEF), Louisiana's Community and Technical College System (LCTCS) and the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) are collecting applications for the Jump Start Construction Connect Scholars Program. This program is the state's first and only scholarship dedicated exclusively to Jump Start graduates who have earned a Jump Start credential and a Louisiana high school diploma and subsequently enroll in an LCTCS Construction Pathway Program or Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) training program the summer or fall immediately following graduation. This scholarship will assist graduates in gaining the necessary training to earn industry employment in construction crafts fields aligned to four and five star jobs that may lead to management positions.

Eligibility Requirements

Any high school senior who has a National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) credential, will earn a Jump Start Career Diploma, and enrolls in an LCTCS construction pathway program or an ABC training program in the summer or fall semester immediately following high school graduation.

Scholarship Award

Up to forty one-time scholarships will be awarded at $1,000 per recipient. Scholarships will be awarded to students enrolling in an LCTCS or ABC program.

Selection Criteria

Recipients of this scholarship will be selected by the LCEF Board based on the strength of the industry credential(s) they earned in high school, letters of recommendation, participation in career and technical student organizations, and academic achievements such as GPA, career and technical course work, and skills competition recognition.

Timeline

Application Release	January 24, 2022
Application Deadline	April 12, 2022
Selection of Recipients	April 12 – 15, 2022
Recipient Notification	April 19, 2022

Questions about the application process or criteria should be directed to megan.thompson2@la.gov.

Jump Start Construction Connect Scholars Program Application

Applicant Name:	
Applicant Address:	
Applicant Phone Number:	
Applicant Email:	

High School:	
High School Address:	
High School Phone Number:	
High School Principal Email:	
High School Counselor Email:	

If you are under the age of 18

Parent/Guardian Name:	
Parent/Guardian Address:	
Parent/Guardian Phone Number:	
Parent/Guardian Email:	

I am on track to earn a Jump Start Career Diploma. ☐ YES ☐ NO

Grade Point Average (GPA): ☐

List the official Louisiana course codes and titles of any career and technical education courses you have taken and your final grades in the courses.

List all of the industry-based credentials (IBCs) you have earned identifying them as core, complementary, regional, statewide basic, or statewide advanced. Note, at least one must be an NCCER IBC to qualify for the scholarship.

List all of the career and technical organizations of which you are a member/participant and the length of time you have belonged to each organization.

List any offices or titles you have held for the career and technical organizations.

List any career and technical skills' competitions in which you have competed and any related awards you have received.

List any work-based learning or community service in which you have participated or any job you have had including the name of the company, description of the experience or job title, and length of the experience.

Pick the postsecondary institution you are attending to further advance your NCCER skill(s)/craft(s). Select only one.

LCTCS:

ABC:

List the construction craft(s) in which you would like to pursue postsecondary training and describe why you are interested in the craft(s).

Three letters of recommendation must be sent with the application to megan.thompson2@la.gov.

By signing, the applicant and all signatories certify that the information in this application is accurate. The scholarship review panel may validate this information.

Applicant Signature	**Date**

If applicant is over 18:, *By signing this application, I consent to sharing the personally identifiable information contained within this application to the Louisiana Construction Education Foundation, the Louisiana Department of Education, Louisiana's Community and Technical College System and Associated Builders and Contractors. Additionally, by signing this application, I consent to the publication in news media of my name and accomplishments, including but not limited to courses taken, credentials earned, and club affiliations.*

Parent/Guardian Signature (required if under 18)	**Date**

If applicant is under 18*: By signing this application, I consent to sharing my child's personally identifiable information contained within this application to the Louisiana Construction Education Foundation, the Louisiana Department of Education, Louisiana's Community and Technical College System, and Associated Builders and Contractors. Additionally, by signing this application, I consent to the publication in news media of my child's name and his/her accomplishments, including but not limited to courses taken, credentials earned, and club affiliations.*

School Counselor Signature	**Date**