

2009-2010 RCC Scholarship Information and Reminders

If you applied for RCC Scholarships by the December 3, 2008 deadline for the 2009-2010 academic year, please read below for information and reminders as to what will happen next. Also, please refer to the timeline, so that you will be aware of the entire process of RCC Scholarships.

- We are currently processing all applications for eligibility and to determine scholarship recipients. If you are chosen as the recipient of an RCC scholarship(s), you will be notified by mail in **early May** 2009 to the address you listed on your scholarship application.
- If you are **not** chosen as a scholarship recipient, you will also be notified by mail in early May 2009 to the address you listed on your scholarship application. However, don't be discouraged if you are not chosen as a scholarship recipient because all applications will remain active during the 2009-2010 academic year. Should a new scholarship become available or a recipient becomes ineligible, a current applicant in good standing may be considered for the scholarship.
- For scholarship purposes only, if your address has changed since you submitted your scholarship application, please be sure to notify the Student Financial Services office at your campus so that we can send your letter to the correct address. You **must also** update your address with the RCC Admissions & Records office so that you will receive all future RCC correspondence. Also, don't forget to activate your RCC Student email and check it regularly for correspondence.
- If you are chosen as a scholarship recipient, you will be required to attend an award and/or recognition event. Attendance at these functions is mandatory in order to receive your scholarship(s). Accepting your scholarship and not attending the recognition event will result in your scholarship being awarded to an alternate recipient.
- The date(s) of the event(s) you will be required to attend will be listed on your scholarship congratulation/award letter that will go out in early May. However, the dates of the events are listed below so that you may plan ahead in the case you are selected as a scholarship recipient. The locations and times of the event(s) will be listed in your letter.

RCC Nursing Scholarship Ceremony	May 5, 2009
RCC Endowed Scholarship Ceremony	May 20, 2009
RCC Moreno Valley Campus Scholarship Tea	May 28, 2009
RCC Norco Campus Scholarship Award Ceremony	May 29, 2009
RCC Riverside City Campus Scholarship Ceremony	June 10, 2009

- If you are the recipient of a scholarship **and** you attended the required recognition event(s), you will be sent a letter in June 2009 with disbursement information. Scholarships over \$250 will be disbursed half in the fall semester and half in the spring semester on verification of eligibility. Scholarships of \$250 or less will be disbursed *all* in the fall semester.
- For students awarded a **continuing** scholarship, the fall 2009 semester portion of the scholarship will be mailed near the end of August 2009 after we verify your enrollment at Riverside Community College for the fall 2009 semester (most scholarships require full-time enrollment). Your scholarship funds will be mailed to the address on file with the RCCD Admissions & Records Office. Enrollment will be verified in mid-August 2009. If a student enrolls full-time after this time, their scholarship check will be mailed in late- September 2009.
- For students awarded a **transferring** scholarship, the funds will be sent directly to the recipient's four-year institution in August, 2009. You must return the Transfer School Notification form included in your scholarship disbursement information letter so that we have record of where to send the scholarship funds. You will need to contact your transfer University for this information. If you do not enroll in at least 6 units at the transfer university, the scholarship funds will be returned to Riverside Community College and awarded to an alternate recipient.
- The spring 2010 semester portion of your scholarship will be mailed in mid-February 2010 after we verify the following
 - You completed the GPA and number of units required by your scholarship during the fall 2009 semester
 - You are enrolled in the number of units required by your scholarship at Riverside Community College District for the spring 2010 semester.

Enrollment will be verified in early-February 2010 (If a student enrolls full-time after this date, their scholarship check will be mailed in late-March 2010)

- If you did not complete the number of units and/or GPA required by your scholarship during the fall 2009 semester, your scholarship may be awarded to an alternate. However, you will be sent a letter in February 2010 with the chance to explain why you did not meet the requirements and the possibility of appealing the decision. The letter will contain a scholarship appeal form for you to complete and submit to the RCC Student Financial Services office on any campus. However, please know that submitting the appeal form does not *guarantee* you will receive the spring portion of your scholarship. You will be notified by mail of the results of the scholarship appeal.
- If you are the recipient of a scholarship, please remember it is *very* important to thank the Donor of your scholarship funds. Information on how to write a thank you letter will be included in your disbursement information letter.

2009-2010 RCC Scholarship Timeline

<i>October – December 3, 2008</i>	Scholarship Brochure available
<i>October – November, 2008</i>	Scholarship Application Workshops
<i>December 3, 2008</i>	Scholarship Applications due
<i>March 2009</i>	Scholarship Screening to determine recipients
<i>Mid-May 2009</i>	All students notified of their application status
<i>May 8, 2009</i>	Nursing Scholarship Awards Ceremony
<i>May 20, 2009</i>	RCCD Endowed Scholarship Ceremony
<i>May 28, 2009</i>	ASRCC-Moreno Valley Campus Academic Achievement Ceremony
<i>May 29, 2009</i>	ASRCC-Norco Campus Scholarship Ceremony
<i>June 10, 2009</i>	ASRCC-Riverside City Campus Scholarship Ceremony
<i>Mid-June, 2009</i>	Disbursement Information letters mailed
<i>Mid-August 2009</i>	Fall 2009 semester enrollment verified
<i>Late-August 2009</i>	Fall 2009 semester scholarship checks mailed
<i>Early-February 2010</i>	Spring 2010 semester scholarship eligibility and enrollment verified
<i>Early-February 2010</i>	Scholarship appeal forms mailed to ineligible students
<i>Mid-February 2010</i>	Spring 2010 semester scholarship checks mailed