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2018-2019 UNDERGRADUATE ACCOUNTING SCHOLARSHIP

The New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants (NYSSCPA) Suffolk Chapter is pleased to offer for the eleventh consecutive year, the Undergraduate Accounting Scholarship. The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to encourage high school students to enter into the accounting profession.

Scholarships are based on academic standing and financial need, and are available to high school students who desire to major in accounting at the undergraduate level on a full-time basis at a New York college or university.

Minimum qualifications:

- "B+" average (3.5 out of a 4.0 G.P.A.) in all previous schoolwork,
- SAT score of at least 1200 (EBRW and Math), or ACT score of at least 28, and
- Proof of acceptance as a full-time matriculated student to a New York college or university for the 2018-2019 academic year *(NY school is a requirement for eligibility)*

It is expected that the funds awarded will be used towards qualified educational expenses, such as tuition, books, and other related expenses for the 2018-2019 academic year. The number of awards will be based on the number applications received and available funds. Last year three awards were offered at \$2,000 each.

PROCESS:

Candidates must submit the following to their guidance counselor no later than **March 31, 2018:**

- (1) Scholarship application,
- (2) One signed letter of recommendation,
- (3) High school transcript,
- (4) Proof of SAT or ACT score, and
- (5) Proof of acceptance to a New York college/university for 2018-2019 academic year.

Guidance counselors must select **ONE** application using the above guidelines and submit the student's application and all related documents by **April 30, 2018** to:

Felix Russo, CPA
c/o BDO USA LLP
401 Broadhollow Road, Suite 201
Melville, NY 11747

Scholarship recipients will be notified on or about May 31, 2018. Recipients are encouraged to attend the annual NYSSCPA Suffolk Chapter Membership Event held in May/June 2018 to receive the award (exact details to be announced).

Direct inquiries to:

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SUFFOLK COUNTY CHAPTER 2018-2019 UNDERGRADUATE ACCOUNTING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

To be completed by applicant: (Please type or print clearly)

Student's Name _____ Date _____
Street Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Phone Number (____) _____
Student's E-mail Address _____
High School _____ School Phone (____) _____

1. Academic Status:

- H.S. Rank _____ out of _____ (if applicable)
- H.S. Average _____
- SAT Composite _____ or ACT Composite _____

2. Using a separate attachment, please list any awards, honors, leadership positions, and any extracurricular activities (school, community, church, etc) in which you have participated.

3. Using a separate attachment please answer one of the following questions in 500 words or less:
a. Describe how you have demonstrated leadership ability both in and out of school
b. Who in your life has been your biggest influence and why?

I certify that the information submitted with this application is true and correct. Additionally, I Do Do Not authorize the NYSSCPA to publicize my name and background information as a scholarship winner in the following newspapers/websites: www.NYSSCPA.org, The Trusted Professional, NYSSCPA Newsletters, and other local newspapers.

Applicant signature _____ Date _____

To be completed by counselor/advisor:

To the best of my knowledge, I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct. I recommend this student be considered for the Undergraduate Accounting Scholarship.

Counselor/Advisor Signature

Date

Counselor/Advisor Name

Phone Number