

April 6, 2009

Dear Student,

I would like to congratulate you on your decision to enroll in classes through Adult Basic and Secondary Education at Lane Community College. Regardless of your reason for taking classes with us, by enrolling in ABSE classes you demonstrated a commitment to lifelong learning and positive personal change.

If you're currently taking credit classes at Lane Community College and/or are planning to enroll in 2009-10, you should look into the scholarships that are available to ABSE students:

- Four \$1,200 *William & Betty Forest* scholarships for graduates of our GED Preparation program
- One \$750 *Shining Star* scholarship for students from our program who have a diploma or GED and are ready for college classes
- One \$500 *Register-Guard* scholarship plus a year's subscription to the paper for students from our program who are nominated by an ABSE instructor and meet entry skill level and progress requirements
- One \$500 Duchesneau Family Scholarship for current LCC part-time students with a GED or high school diploma.

Additional information on eligibility requirements is provided on the next page. You may apply for multiple ABSE scholarships; however, you must provide a copy of your application materials for each scholarship. Application materials are available from your ABSE instructor or online at <http://www.lanecc.edu/abse/transition.htm>.

The deadlines are:

***William & Betty Forest, Shining Star and Duchesneau* scholarships: 5:00 p.m. Thursday, May 21, 2009**

***The Register-Guard* scholarship: 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 26th, 2009.**

If you have yet to reach your educational goal and have stopped attending ABSE classes, it's not too late to complete your program and perhaps even qualify for one or more of these scholarships. Spring term began March 30th. Call 463-5214 or 463-5945 to find out how to re-enroll.

Please feel free to contact one of us by phone or email with any questions you have about ABSE Scholarships. Sometimes Lane's electronic firewall prevents e-mail messages from getting through, so if you email us and don't get a timely reply, please call us.

Sincerely,

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ABSE/GED Instructors

ABSE SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS and ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

William & Betty Forest Scholarship

Award: Four \$1,200 scholarships

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be a GED graduate who attended Lane's GED Preparation classes and attained the GED by May 21, 2009 or interview date. Preference is given to current-year students.
- Must plan to be a full-time student fall, winter and spring terms of 2009-10 school year
- Should demonstrate academic promise and financial need

Deadline: May 21, 2009

Shining Star Scholarship

Award: One \$750 scholarship

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must have attended Adult Basic and Secondary Education classes. Preference is given to current-year students.
- Must plan to be a full-time student fall, winter and spring terms of 2009-10 school year
- Must have either a GED or a high school diploma

Deadline: May 21, 2009

The Register-Guard Scholarship

Award: One \$500 scholarship, plus a one-year subscription to The Register-Guard newspaper

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must have attended Adult Basic and Secondary Education classes. Preference is given to current-year students.
- Must be nominated by an ABSE instructor and show academic promise
- Must have achieved one of the following during the 2008-09 school year as a result of attending ABSE classes:
 - a. Attained GED certificate after beginning program with CASAS reading score <236 and/or HSWA score <3, or
 - b. Passed LCC's Reading Placement test after testing into CORE level classes via placement tests, or
 - c. Passed LCC's Writing Placement test after testing into CORE level classes via placement tests (student must have already passed Reading Placement Test).
- Must have either a GED or a high school diploma
- Must plan to take classes (credit or non-credit) at LCC in the 2009-10 school year
- Must have demonstrated hard work and tenacity to improve reading and/or writing skills
- Must be willing to be publicly recognized at graduation and at an ABSE Department ceremony. Recipient must be able to attend graduation on June 13th at 4:00 p.m. and be willing to sign a release of information so that the Register-Guard representative can compose a short congratulatory speech from information provided on the scholarship application.

Deadline: May 26, 2009

Duchesneau Family Scholarship

- Must be a GED or high school graduate with an average GED score of 450 or gpa of 2.0 who is returning to school.
- Must be a resident of Lane County.
- Must be a part-time student.

Deadline: May 26, 2009

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ABSE SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST

If you are applying for multiple ABSE scholarships, provide a copy of your application materials for each scholarship. All applications must include: *(Items Must Be In Order Listed)*

- This Completed Scholarship Checklist**
- Completed Lane Community College ABSE 2009/2010 Scholarship Application including four short essays** (enclosed)
The essays are required and should be no longer than 150 words per essay. See scholarship application for topics.
Essays should be typed. Classroom instructors will make computers available to candidates for this purpose.
- Proof of GED completion or high school diploma.** GED is required for the *William & Betty Forest Scholarship*. Either credential may be submitted for the *Shining Star Scholarship, Duchesneau*, or the *Register-Guard Scholarship*. Proof can be one of the following:
 - GED graduate: Copy of your GED transcript with score. If you know your access code, you can print your GED transcript from <http://www.ged123.org>. Otherwise, contact the testing center where you took the GED test. If you took the GED test at Lane Community College, you can stop by the LCC Testing Office with your picture i.d (463-5324)
 - High School graduate: high school diploma or high school transcript (gpa required for Duchesneau scholarship)
- ABSE Instructor Scholarship Reference/Nomination** (form provided)
- Personal Scholarship Reference** (form provided)
Reference should be from an individual in the community. Have them fax the form **ATTN: Cathy Russell** to 463-4730, or provide the individual with a stamped envelope addressed to Cathy Russell (address below). Reference must be received by the due date.
- Evidence of financial need if applying for the William & Betty Forest scholarship.**
 1. Submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.
 2. If you need assistance to complete the FAFSA, call or visit Enrollment Services at main campus (463-3100, Building 1); the front counter at the Downtown Center; or LCC Cottage Grove by appointment (942-4201). You can also find information online at <http://www.lanecc.edu/finaid/applyingforaid.htm>.
 3. **Include a printout of your SAR (Student Aid Report)** with this application.

Sign this Checklist and mail or deliver application materials.

Mail to:
Cathy Russell, ABSE Dept.
Lane Community College
4000 E. 30th Ave.
Eugene, Oregon 97405

OR

Deliver to:
Building 11
Room 201
on Lane's main campus

Deadline: 5/21/09 for the *William & Betty Forest, Shining Star Scholarships, & Duchesneau*
5/26/09 for the *Register-Guard Scholarship*

I certify that I _____ (print name here) have reviewed all of the application materials in this submission, and have made sure that all listed items are attached in the order specified. I understand that if this submission is missing any of the above required materials, my application may be disqualified without further explanation.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Lane Community College ABSE 2009/2010 Scholarship Application

- Application for: Shining Star Scholarship – ABSE (2464)
 William & Betty Forest Scholarship (2810)
 The Register-Guard Scholarship (2026)
 GED Tuition Waiver
 Duchesneau Family Scholarship (2085)

Students may apply for more than one; however, ABSE must receive a copy of the student's application materials for each one

APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. LEGAL NAME

Student's Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Initial _____

Other names that may appear on academic records _____

Lane Student ID# (if available) L _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

2. MAILING ADDRESS AND PHONE

Street Number _____

City _____ State _____ County _____ Zip Code _____

(_____) Telephone Number _____ E-Mail _____

3. CONTACT INFORMATION *(Parents or legal guardians, spouse or other individual who knows where you can be reached.)*

This contact is my: Parent Spouse Other (list relationship) _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Street Number _____

City _____ State _____ County _____ Zip Code _____

(_____) Telephone Number _____ E-Mail _____

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

4. ACADEMIC GOALS

Are you currently enrolled at Lane? No Yes

If Yes, what is your current, cumulative **Lane grade point average** (GPA)? _____ How many credits have you earned? _____

In which Lane program are you currently enrolled or will start? _____

Career and Technical program Lower division collegiate transfer program Other

What degree or certificate do you plan to receive at Lane? _____

What is your educational objective? _____

What is your career objective? _____

5. HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAME: _____

Do you or will you have a (circle one) high school diploma or GED? No Yes If Yes, Year received _____

What is your high school cumulative grade point average or GED average score? _____

List the high school and city you graduated from or GED program you prepared through _____

6. PROVIDE THE NAMES AND CONTACT INFORMATION FOR TWO REFERENCES.

List names of two individuals who would be willing to be contacted as a reference for you. Academic or professional references are preferable. Please list phone numbers for each reference and identify their relationship to you.

Reference Name #1: _____ Phone #: _____

Relationship to you: _____

Reference Name #2: _____ Phone #: _____

Relationship to you: _____

Voluntary Personal Information

Some scholarship funds come from private sources which are designated for specific students. To be considered for these special scholarships, additional documentation may be required. Answering these questions is voluntary.

Gender: Male Female

Are you, the applicant, a single, custodial parent? Yes No If so, list the ages of your child/children _____

Are you a member of SELCO Community Credit Union? Yes No

Have you participated in Lane’s Saturday Circus or Headstart? Yes No

Are you a child or grandchild of a Kimwood employee? Yes No

Are you a child, grandchild, or great-grandchild of a former Kienow employee? Yes No

Are you a U.S. Citizen? Yes No Are you a resident of Oregon? Yes No

Ethnic Identity:

African-American Native American/Alaskan Native Asian/Pacific Islander Caucasian (not Hispanic) Latino

Hispanic Bi/Multi racial (please specify) _____ Other (please specify) _____

Have you applied for federal financial aid and listed Lane Community College? Yes No

Have either of your parents (or guardians) graduated from college? Yes No

7. ATTACH YOUR FOUR SHORT ESSAY QUESTIONS – REQUIRED FOR ALL APPLICANTS.

Please answer the following essay questions. Each essay should be no more than 150 words. Put your name on each page of your essays. **Note:** These essays are the almost the same as those required for the 2009/2010 Oregon Student Assistance Commission (OSAC).

- 1. Explain your career aspirations and your educational plan to meet these goals. Address if you’re going to be a full or part-time student.
2. Describe a challenge or obstacle you faced in the last ten years. What did you learn about yourself from this experience?
3. Describe a personal accomplishment and the strengths and skills you used to achieve it.
4. Explain how you have helped your family or made your community a better place to live. Please provide specific examples.

8. PLEASE SEE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF ALL MATERIALS THAT MUST BE INCLUDED WITH YOUR APPLICATION PACKET/S.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided on this application is complete and accurate. I have read and understand the scholarship guidelines and the criteria for eligibility to receive the scholarship. I authorize Lane Community College to furnish copies of this application, essay and other attachments to, as well as exchange financial aid eligibility information with, any of the scholarship committee members and/or donors. I hereby give approval for Lane Community College to publicize any scholarship award I receive, listing my name, hometown, name and amount of the scholarship, and biographical summary. Further, unless a written statement to the contrary is filed with the Foundation Office, all scholarship recipients give authorization to Lane Community College to publish photographs of themselves for promotional purposes.

Signature _____ Date _____

ABSE INSTRUCTOR SCHOLARSHIP REFERENCE / NOMINATION

Name of Applicant _____

Name of Instructor _____

1. Why are you nominating/supporting this individual for this award?

2. Please describe the personal qualities this student has demonstrated (include such things as dependability, initiative, and study habits)

Instructor's statement estimating success in community college classes.

3. Describe student's academic growth and, if related to academic performance, his or her personal growth while attending your classes. If the student is applying for the Register-Guard scholarship, include some indication of how hard the student worked to attain their goal.

4. Add any additional comments you would like to make on the back of this sheet.

5. If the student is applying for the Register-Guard scholarship, provide information about this student's progress on ABSE assessments or LCC placement tests. *For GED students, provide CASAS/HSWA scores at entry. For CORE College students, provide LCC placement test scores at entry and exit (if available).*

Score Type	Reading		Writing	
	Date	Score	Date	Score
<input type="checkbox"/> CASAS/HSWA				
<input type="checkbox"/> LCC placement test				
<input type="checkbox"/> CASAS/HSWA				
<input type="checkbox"/> LCC placement test				

Signature: _____

Date: _____

