



# COMTO Colorado

Conference of Minority Transportation Officials – Colorado Chapter

## SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM INFORMATION

COMTO Colorado will award up to five (5) scholarships for the 2010-2011 school year to students who express an interest in pursuing college studies in a transportation-related field. Each scholarship award is offered for tuition, books, and/or room and board expenses.

### Students attending four-year colleges and universities

College studies supporting the transportation industry may include (but are not limited to) the following disciplines:

- Archaeology and/or Cultural Resources
- Architecture
- Civil, Chemical, Structural, Mechanical and/or Electrical Engineering
- Computer Science
- Construction Engineering Technology
- Construction and/or Construction Management
- Environmental Science and related Studies
- Geology and/or Geotechnical Engineering
- Public Information and Outreach Programs
- Security Systems
- Urban Planning
- Vehicle Design and Maintenance

### Students attending trade schools that award technical education certificates or associate degrees

Trade school studies supporting the transportation industry may include (but are not limited to) the following disciplines:

- Construction
- Computer Aided Design
- Heating and Air Conditioning
- Electrical
- Electronics
- Hydraulics and/or Elevator Mechanics
- Diesel Mechanics  
Computer Aided design (CAD, formerly Drafting)
- Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC)
- Electrical (different discipline from electronics)
- Hydraulics and/or elevator mechanics



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COMTO Colorado will award a check for the scholarship amount made payable to the institution to which the student will be attending. The recipient must provide COMTO with a copy of his/her college enrollment registration along with the address of the school's financial aid office director prior to the check being mailed. The student must provide his or her student account number with this information.

This must be submitted to COMTO Colorado by December 1st of the year that the scholarship is awarded. If the information is not submitted, the scholarship will be forfeited.

Eligible applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Be a graduating high school senior entering a regionally accredited college or university in the year the scholarship is applied for. Scholarships are awarded only to those who graduate from high school in the calendar year in which scholarships are presented.
2. Currently enrolled, in good standing and maintaining at least a 2.5 grade point average through the 2008-2009 academic year.
3. Complete the full COMTO Colorado application process by the designated deadline.
4. Enrolled in a public or charter high school in Adams, Arapahoe, Denver, Jefferson, Douglas, Broomfield and Boulder counties.

**To be considered, fully completed application form and accompanying documentation must be mailed to COMTO Colorado by February 8, 2010.**

**MAIL APPLICATIONS TO:**

**Dr. Mary Davis**

**COMTO COLORADO SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

PO Box 390413

Denver, Colorado, 80239



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## SCHOLARSHIP AWARD CRITERIA

Selection of recipients of COMTO Colorado Scholarships will be made by a panel appointed by the COMTO Colorado Scholarship Committee.

The following scoring system will apply:

- 15 points** Grade Point Average
  - 4.0 – 3.5 (15 pts)
  - >3.5 – 3.0 (13 pts)
  - >3.0 – 2.5 (11 pts)
  
- 20 points** Personal Essay
  - Essay will be scored based on content, grammar, spelling, flow of ideas and applicant's answers to the COMTO Colorado required essay questions.
  
- 10 points** Participation in activities related to career goal
  
- 10 points** Two (2) Letters of Recommendation
  
- 15 points** High School Citizenship
  - Attendance, rules followed for school, awards received, participation, volunteer work performed, outside school involvement (jobs, clubs, etc.)
  
- 10 points** Personal Qualities Evaluations
  
- 15 points** Individual Interview
  - The same set of questions will be asked of each applicant, by the same committee. Interviews will be conducted the week of February 22, 2010.



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**INSTRUCTIONS: Review the COMTO Colorado Scholarship program rules and instruction below before starting the application process. Complete the Scholarship Application and attach the following documents or arrange to have them sent to the COMTO Colorado Scholarship Committee:**

1. Personal Essay from Applicant

Write an essay (500 to 700 words), typewritten using size 12 font, which includes answers to the following:

- a. Why you chose your planned field of study?
- b. How do you think your coursework and life experiences have helped you prepare for your college studies and the future?
- c. Explain how you are an excellent best candidate for this scholarship.
- d. What else you would like to tell the Scholarship Selection Committee to help it make a decision about your scholarship application.

*Note: In preparing your personal essay (as well as preparing for your interview), consider how you can most effectively convey your best qualities.*

2. Two Letters of Recommendation

Letters may be written by teachers, school staff, employers, coaches, etc. The person submitting the letter should state how he or she knows you and your ability to benefit from the scholarship. Letters from family members will not be accepted.

3. Counselor Endorsement Form

*If a counselor is used in the submittal for number two, a different counselor must provide the endorsement form.*

4. Personal Qualities Evaluation

Applicant is to provide the Personal Qualities Evaluation Form included in this packet to three individuals who can rate their personal qualities. Each evaluator will mail the completed form to the COMTO Colorado Scholarship Committee.

*Applicants should ensure materials are mailed to the COMTO Colorado Scholarship Committee. If letters or forms are sent separately, it is up to the applicant to ensure all materials have been sent by the deadline, February 8, 2010.*



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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

To apply for a scholarship, complete this application form and submit completed application and attachments to the COMTO Colorado Scholarship Committee.

**All materials must be postmarked by February 8, 2010.**

**Name of Applicant:**

\_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address:

\_\_\_\_\_

Best number to be reached: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address:

\_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative grade point average: \_\_\_\_\_

List any other high schools attended and cumulative GPA:

High School

GPA

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

College or other higher education institution to be attended in Fall Semester, 2010 (If known):

\_\_\_\_\_



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Career goal: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Awards and honors (attach list, if needed): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Community service, including number of years (attach list, if needed):

\_\_\_\_\_

Other scholarships or sources of financial assistance that you have received or have been awarded for 2010:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## Certification

I certify the information in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also understand the decision of COMTO Colorado Scholarship Committee is final.

***Signature of Applicant***

***Date***

**MAIL ALL MATERIALS TO DR, MARY DAVIS, COMTO COLORADO SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE, PO BOX 390413, DENVER, CO 80239.**

**COMTO Colorado Scholarship Committee, PO Box 390413, Denver, CO, 80239**



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## ENDORSEMENT FROM HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR

Scholarship Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

*Information may be filled in by applicant and verified by school counselor.*

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative grade point: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

List any other high schools attended, with class standing and cumulative GPA:

High School	GPA
_____	_____
_____	_____

**Active Participation in the Following High School Activities, Clubs and Awards Received from High School or Other Related Organizations:**

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**Check One**

**Attendance:**       Excellent     Above-Average     Average     Below-Average

**Personal Record:**     Excellent     Above-Average     Average     Below-Average  
(Adherence to school rules, etc.)

*Signature below certifies the above information is true and accurate.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Counselor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Counselor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

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## PERSONAL QUALITIES EVALUATION FOR COMTO COLORADO SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear .....,

*You are being requested to complete the following evaluation for the above applicant applying for the COMTO Colorado Scholarship for 2010. Please fill out the evaluation form in agreement and return it in a sealed envelope to the Scholarship Committee NO LATER THAN **February 8, 2010**. Only the COMTO Colorado Scholarship Selection Committee will read the evaluation. Evaluation results will be kept confidential.*

### Utilize the following in rating the applicant:

Attitude:	Conviction, Feeling, Passion, Pride
Teamwork:	Unity, Trust, Loyalty, Group Awareness
Enthusiasm:	Devotion, Drive, Passion, Diligence
Reliability:	Dependable, Accountable, Responsible, Consistent
Commitment:	Obligation, Promise, Excellence, Duty, Assurance, Persistence

***Please rate the applicant by circling 1-7 below (1 being the lowest, 7 being the highest)***

ATTITUDE:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
TEAMWORK:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
ENTHUSIASM:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
RELIABILITY:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
COMMITMENT:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of person completing evaluation

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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