

James H. Jensen Scholarship Application Information

To be eligible for a James H. Jensen Scholarship, you must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be a resident of the State of South Dakota and a high school senior OR
- Be a resident of the State of South Dakota enrolled in an engineering program at South Dakota School of Mines or South Dakota State University for the upcoming academic year
- Be a United States Citizen
- Have a parent, grandparent, sibling, uncle, aunt or cousin employed a minimum of 3 years (or retired) with the South Dakota Department of Transportation.
- Have a current High School GPA of 3.0 (based on a 4.0 grading system) or higher OR a minimum of a 3.0 GPA at School of Mines or South Dakota State University if currently attending the university.
- Demonstrate the ability to become an asset to the engineering field. The student's personal aims and goals should be consistent with this requirement.
- For legal reasons, applicant must not be a relative of James H. Jensen.

Scholarship Value: \$500.00. Four scholarships will be awarded in the Fall.

All applications must be sent to:

Secretary
Department of Transportation
Becker-Hansen Building
700 East Broadway
Pierre, SD 57501

The scholarship committee will score the application on the following:

- Grade Point Average and ACT/SAT Scores
- Class Ranking (High School Seniors Only)
- Current Engineering student at SDSMT or SDSU
- Honors-Community Involvement
- Need for financial assistance

Applications must be postmarked no later than July 15 of current year

All eligibility requirements must be met. Scholarships may not be used for any purpose other than tuition or purchase of books at the school identified in the application. If all eligibility requirements are not met, it may result in disqualification of the applicant.

Selection Process: The scholarship selection will be determined by a scholarship committee.

Please attach the following with your application:

Academic History: Please include a copy of your most current High School or college transcript. Your cumulative GPA through the last semester or quarter completed must be 3.0 or higher.

Written Essay: Please provide a short essay (no more than one page), authored by the student applicant, addressing the student's need for financial assistance and describing why the student selected engineering and the college they will be attending.

James H. Jenssen Scholarship Application

Please print or type the following information:

Student's Name: _____

Are you currently enrolled in high school? ___Yes ___No

Name of High School: _____

Are you currently enrolled in an Engineering degree at South Dakota School of Mines or South Dakota State University? ___Yes ___No

Name of University _____

High School Graduation Date: _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

Parent's/Guardian's Name: _____

Parent's/Guardian's Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Telephone: _____

Name of Department of Transportation employee that you are relying on to be eligible:

I am planning to attend the following college or university:

To the best of our knowledge, the above information is true and correct. I/We understand that falsification of any information on this application or support document will void this application for a James H. Jenssen Scholarship and result in not being considered for scholarship funding in the forfeiture of scholarship funds previously awarded. In this event, you will be required to reimburse the James H. Jenssen Scholarship the full amount of the scholarship funding you received.

Date: _____

Student's Signature: _____

Parent's/Guardian's Signature: _____