

South Dakota Court Reporters Association (SDCRA) Student Scholarship Application

What is the purpose of the SDCRA student scholarship award? This scholarship program was established by SDCRA to give financial aid each year in the amount of \$500 each to one or more court reporting student(s) for the specific purpose of assisting and encouraging the completion of this difficult, yet rewarding, course of study.

Who may apply? Applicants must be a court reporting student writing 200 wpm or higher, and must be a student member of SDCRA. For your convenience, a copy of the SDCRA Student Application Membership form is attached. Please send completed Membership form and prerequisite dues (\$12.50) to: Maxine Risty, SDCRA Treasurer, 48390 266th Street, Brandon, SD 57005.

Applicants may be enrolled in an out-of-state program or online course of study. Students who have already received a scholarship from SDCRA are not eligible to receive a second scholarship award. Students must obtain a signature from an instructor of their court reporting program verifying they are a current student and writing at a speed of 200 wpm or higher.

How are the scholarship funds disbursed? Scholarship funds will be distributed to the recipient by the SDCRA Treasurer no later than July 1 of the current calendar year.

How is selection of the recipient made? Recipients will be selected based upon their completion of the SDCRA scholarship application. Consideration is given to the student's academic achievement.

How do I apply? The SDCRA scholarship application is available through the SDCRA web site at <http://www.southdakotacourtreporters.org> or through the SDCRA Scholarship Coordinator, Nancy McClanahan, McClanahan Court Reporting, PO Box 342, Watertown, SD 57201, mcrsteno@qwestoffice.net. Completed applications need to be postmarked by **May 15th** of the current calendar year to the Scholarship Coordinator. Two letters of recommendation should be attached to the application when submitted. A Scholarship Selection Committee will select the recipient. The recipient will be notified by **July 1st** of the current calendar year by mail and announced at the fall SDCRA business **meeting**.

Who do I contact if I have any questions? Email Nancy McClanahan at mcrsteno@qwestoffice.net or call (605) 882-0936, if you have any questions concerning this scholarship application.