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What is Rogers Scholars?

Rogers Scholars—The Center for Rural Development's flagship youth program—provides leadership and college scholarship opportunities to help upcoming high school juniors (current sophomores) in Southern and Eastern Kentucky develop the skills they need to seize their potential as the region's next generation of business and entrepreneurial leaders.

During this intensive week-long program, Rogers Scholars work on building their leadership skills, participate in a series of team-building exercises; receive hands-on instructional training from professional experts in engineering, healthcare, earth and space science, and civic engagement; and interact with nationally recognized business leaders and entrepreneurs. The program focuses on developing skills in leadership, technology, entrepreneurship, and community service.

Every year, The Center has two sessions one at Lindsey Wilson College and one Morehead State University.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible to apply, the student must:

- Be a current sophomore at a high school located within the 45-county service area of The Center for Rural Development. The forty-five county service area consists of the following Kentucky counties: Adair, Bath, Bell, Boyd, Breathitt, Carter, Casey, Clay, Clinton, Cumberland, Elliott, Estill, Floyd, Garrard, Green, Harlan, Jackson, Jessamine, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Lincoln, Magoffin, Martin, McCreary, Menifee, Metcalfe, Monroe, Morgan, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Rowan, Russell, Taylor, Wayne, Whitley and Wolfe.
- Have a strong interest in developing skills in leadership, technology, entrepreneurship, and community service.
- Have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 (on a 4 point scale).

SELECTION PROCESS



The Center selects at least 60 students to attend the program out of nearly 400 applicants annually.

A total of 60 students from Southern and Eastern Kentucky are selected to attend the program each year, with 30 attending each of the two weeks. A selection committee consisting of staff from The Center for Rural Development will be established. In order to ensure fairness, applications will be blinded and applicant names removed prior to distributing copies to the selection committee. The committee will review and score all of the applications according to the criteria and point values established for each section. The applicant with the highest score in each county will be selected as that county's representative. After those 45 selections are made, the highest 15 scores of the remaining applicants will also be selected as Rogers Scholars. As a result, some schools and/or counties will have more than one representative.

ALTERNATE SELECTION



Every applicant remaining after the first 60 selections will be considered an alternate and will be ranked from the highest to lowest score. If a selected Scholar is unable to attend the program, the alternates will be contacted in order of their rank until the open spot is filled. For this reason, all applicants are encouraged to keep the program dates and the possibility of selection in mind as they make their plans for the summer.





DAILY AGENDA

DAY 1

- GET TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW SCHOLARS
- TEAMBUILDING AND LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES
- COMMUNITY SERVICE

DAY 2

- CIVIC ENGAGEMENT DAY WITH MOCK DEBATE
- DAILY GUEST SPEAKER
- ESSENTIAL SKILLS SESSION
- ROPES COURSE AT MSU

DAY 3

- ENTREPRENEURSHIP DAY
- DAILY GUEST SPEAKER
- COLLEGE FAIR
- ETIQUETTE DINNER

DAY 4

- MAJORS BEGIN
- DAILY GUEST SPEAKER
- COMMUNITY SERVICE



DAY 5

- MAJORS CONTINUE
- DAILY GUEST SPEAKER
- BALLROOM DANCING LESSONS
- SEND OFF EVENT WITH ICE CREAM AND KARAOKE

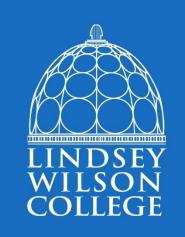
DAY 6

- TRAVEL TO THE CENTER FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT
- COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT PRESENTATION
- MOTIVATIONAL SESSION WITH U.S. OLYMPIAN KENNY DAVIS
- GRADUATION









Private University in Columbia, KY

FULL TUITION

24 ACT2.5 GPA

HALF TUITION

ANYTHING BELOW ABOVE REQUIREMENTS

Week 1: June 6-11, 2021



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Week 2: July 18-23, 2021

Public University in Morehead, KY

FULL TUITION

20 ACT3.5 GPA

PLUS HOUSING

28 ACT 3.75 GPA



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University Partners With Full Tuition Offers

Students have to meet academic requirements for each university partner. Keep in mind offers could change on an annual basis. Students should stay in contact with the admissions counselors at the school(s) they plan to attend.

















University Partners With Partial Tuition Offers

Students have to meet academic requirements for each university partner. Keep in mind offers could change on an annual basis. Students should stay in contact with the admissions counselors at the school(s) they plan to attend.



























In order to be eligible to apply for the scholarship offers, students have to complete two activities:

- Students are required to participate in an annual fundraiser to sell houseboat raffle tickets to help raise money for the program costs. This program is offered at no cost to students or their parents. Students just have to get to and from camp on their own.
- Students have to complete their own community service project in their own town prior to the following summer after attending the program. For 2021 Scholars, the deadline would be June 1, 2022.



HOW DO I APPLY?



Google Classroom

- Step 1: Get connected to Google Classroom by setting up a Gmail account. If you already have access to Google Classroom, skip this step.
- Step 2: Go to centeryouthprograms.com to get the classroom code. On the Google Classroom main page, click on join a class and enter the classroom code.
- Step 3: Click on the "Classwork" tab to view assignments.
- Step 4: Finish assignments prior to January 31, 2021.

CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS



Google Classroom

You have 6 assignments to complete prior to the deadline.

- Essay 45 Points
- Extracurricular Activities 30 Points
- Community Service 20 Points
- Academics -5 points
- Letters of Recommendation (3 Letters)
- Contact Information Form

DEADLINE: JANUARY 31, 2021

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