EDUCATIONAL GRANT INSTRUCTIONS

Educational Grant applications will be accepted April 15, 2019 – July 15, 2019.

Local 709’s Retiree Committee is pleased to announce a grant to help the families of its members.

Three (3) grants of $1,000 dollars each will be awarded to successful applicants to be used for educational expenses. Eligible applicants must be children, grandchildren, or spouses of Sprinkler Fitters U.A. Local 709 members that have been in good standing for one year prior to August 1, 2019. High school graduates, GED, community college students, current university students, or persons attending or planning to attend trade school this fall are eligible to apply.

What does the applicant need to apply?

A) Statement of where you plan to continue your education. Copy of your acceptance letter.

B) Submit with application an essay of 1,000 words or less on: “What contributions of labor unions have affected today’s society?”

For the judges to remain unbiased, include two copies of your essay, one that includes your name on the cover page and one without, and exclude any 709 member’s name in your essay.

C) List on a separate sheet any projects or tasks you have participated in in your community.

The Educational Grant instructions and application will be online at www.sprinklerfitters709.org. If you would like to request a paper copy, please call 709’s office at (562) 698-9909.

There are other scholarships available that family members may qualify for:

1) The California State Pipe Trades Scholarship Program (http://www.calpipes.org/scholarship.aspx)
2) The United Association Scholarship Program (https://uanet.org/scholarship_fund.asp)

Both of these programs may have different requirements, so check them out carefully. These are not your only options. Most are available on the internet. Good Luck!

Please note that we will be sending you a letter in the mail sometime in August to let you know if you are a winner. If you are a winner, you will be presented with a check at the following September Union Meeting. Union meetings usually fall on the 1st Monday of the month unless it lands on a holiday, then it would be the following week on Monday.

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Sprinkler Fitters U.A. Local 709
Educational Grant Application

This grant is awarded by Sprinkler Fitters U.A. Local 709’s Educational Grant Fund to be applied toward tuition, books or materials of its recipient. If you wish to apply you must be 1) a high school graduate or the equivalent; or currently enrolled in an accredited college or university 2) the son, daughter, spouse or grandchild of a current member (who is your parent, custodial step-parent or legal guardian or grandparent), in good standing of Sprinkler Fitters U.A. Local 709. Grants will be awarded based upon a point system. Points will be allotted in various categories. All information contained in this application will be held in strict confidence. See Educational Grant Instructions for complete rules.

Applications will be accepted April 15, 2019 – July 15, 2019. A U.S. Postal Service official postmark of July 14, 2019 will be accepted. Please type or print in black ink. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Mail all information to Sprinkler Fitters U.A. Local 709
Attn: Educational Grant Fund Committee
12140 Rivera Road, Whittier, CA 90606

Name ___________________________________________ Birth Date __________________________

Address ____________________________________________________________
Street ____________________________________________________________
City ___________________________ State _______________ Zip _______________

Cell or phone Number(s) (________________) __________________________
Email: ____________________________________________________________

High school/college attending (Name & City) ____________________________________________________________
Graduation Date (High School/G.E.D) ____________________________________________________________

Give a brief outline of accomplishments, achievements, work experience, vocational & professional training, internships, and certificates of proficiency, community service, hobbies and affiliations (use additional paper if necessary).

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Prepare a maximum 1,000-word essay on the question: “What contributions of labor unions have affected today’s society?”

APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE ___________________________________________ DATE __________________

INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE QUALIFYING PARENT/GRANDPARENT

Member’s Full Name ____________________________________________________________

Applicant’s Relationship to Union Member (Son, Daughter, Spouse or Grandchild) ____________________________________________________________

IT IS THE APPLICANT’S RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE COMPELTED BY HIS/HER QUALIFYING PARENT/GRANDPARENT’S LOCAL UNION HALL

The above named parent/grandparent is a member of Sprinkler Fitters U.A. Local 709. Initiation date __________________________

Union member in good standing for one (1) full year prior to the Business Manager’s date of signature below. Yes or No? __________________________

BUSINESS MANAGER’S SIGNATURE ___________________________________________ DATE __________________

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