

**THE SIMON ESTES EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, INC.**  
***2009 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION***

□ **THE FOUNDATION**

Led by Jayne L. Reed, a small group of Tulsans met with opera star Simon Estes who was in town to perform with the Tulsa Opera. Bound by a mutual belief in the importance of education and concern for the many bright high school seniors financially unable to attend college, the group decided to do what they could to assist these promising young students. As a result, in 1983 The Simon Estes Educational Foundation, Inc. was created with Mr. Estes and Ms. Reed as Cofounders.

In the last twenty-five years, the Foundation has raised over three million dollars in actual grants and future commitments for scholarships. The Foundation has assisted 300 scholars who have attended prestigious colleges and universities throughout this country and have participated in international study programs abroad. All graduates have taken their places in the professional world and serve as the greatest endorsement of the Foundation.

Our Mission continues to be a multiracial, nonprofit Oklahoma organization, committed to promoting higher educational opportunities for Tulsa area high school seniors by providing scholarships made possible through charitable contributions. Moreover, The Simon Estes Educational Foundation not only provides funding, but it seeks to foster relationships with its students by providing mentoring opportunities throughout their college experience. While special consideration is given to African American, Asian/Pacific Islander, Hispanic, and Native American students, all applicants exhibiting scholastic excellence, financial need, and high moral standards are considered regardless of race, religion, sex, or ethnic origin. For more information on the history of The Simon Estes Educational Foundation and its students, visit our web site at [www.seef.org](http://www.seef.org)

□ **THE SCHOLARSHIP**

The Simon Estes Educational Foundation Scholarship offers a \$2,500 scholarship to graduating high school seniors planning to attend college in the fall term. This award may be renewed annually up to four years based on available funding and renewal amounts may vary. The funds can be applied to tuition, books, fees or university room and board. Applicants must be a U.S. resident or in the process of applying for U.S. residency. Students in the U.S. on a Student Visa are ineligible. Scholarship funding can be applied to any public or private 4-year university or college, Tulsa Community College and the Jayne Reed Nursing Scholarship at Tulsa Technology Center.

To renew a scholarship, students must submit a formal letter of request by April 1st, maintain 3.0 grade point average, be enrolled full-time and provide an official college transcript each semester. Additionally, students must write their Simon Estes sponsor twice per year, attend Foundation functions as requested and complete 4 hours of volunteer service with the foundation. Awards are limited and deadlines are strongly enforced.

Applications are available at The Simon Estes Educational Foundation website at [www.seef.org](http://www.seef.org) and a copy of the application can be found in the guidance counselor's office of most Tulsa area high schools.

**SELECTION:** All applications are reviewed by a special selection committee and top candidates will be contacted for a personal interview with the Board of Directors. Those students selected as Simon Estes Scholars will receive official notification by mail.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Applicants are carefully reviewed on the basis of a combination of several criteria:

- Documented financial need
- High School G.P.A. 3.5 or higher (un-weighted)
- ACT or SAT scores
- **Prior** acceptance to the college or university of choice
- Permanent residence within 30 miles of Tulsa

**For more information call The Simon Estes Educational Foundation, Inc. at (918) 583-0500**

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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS**

**Please read instructions carefully. Incomplete applications will not be considered and applicants will not be notified of missing documents.**

1. Do not leave questions blank. Use N/A (not applicable) in the blank if question does not apply to you.
2. Typed answers are preferred or use blue or black ink.
3. Please do not staple any items.
4. Please provide full addresses with zip codes.
5. Please submit an official transcript that includes the first semester grades of the senior year with ACT or SAT scores.
6. Attach a SIGNED copy of parent/guardian 2008 tax return(s) (Usually IRS form 1040 or 1040A). Please note that parents who complete their own tax returns must submit copies of all 2008 W2 Forms. All associated tax schedules must be submitted with tax returns.
7. If taxes are professionally prepared, copies bearing preparer's signature and the company name should be submitted.
8. Legally emancipated minors must submit their own 2008 tax return and follow the stated guidelines. Proof of emancipation must be included.
9. Applications and all supporting documentation must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. March 9, 2009. Mailed applications must be received by the application deadline. Mail or deliver a completed application to:

**The Simon Estes Educational Foundation, Inc.**  
**100 North Greenwood Avenue**  
**Tulsa, OK 74120**

**Application Checklist**

*Place a check in the box as each piece of information is included in the application. Return this sheet with your application.*

√	<b>Required Information</b>
	A Completed Application
	Personal Photo
	750 Word Essay
	*Three References
	1.
	2.
	3.
	**Official High School Transcript must include SAT or ACT Scores
	<b>Copy of college acceptance letter(s)</b>
	Signed 2008 Tax Information Sheet for Parental/Guardian (Usually 1040 or 1040A form)
	W2 Forms (if self-prepared)
	All necessary tax return schedules attached
	Parental signature(s) on all tax forms
	Preparer's signature and name of firm (if professionally prepared)

\* Letters of reference must include the applicant's name.

\*\* We recognize that official high school transcripts containing SAT/ACT scores may arrive separately from the application. However, it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all required information is received by the application deadline.

Financial Need

Financial need is defined as an inability to pay for a substantial portion of college tuition because of basic financial challenges. However, each application will be individually reviewed and extraordinary family circumstances will be considered.

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2009 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please Print Clearly

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Do you live with your father?  Yes  No

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Do you live with your mother?  Yes  No

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

**If you live with someone other than your parents, list the information below.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide the total number sibling living with you and their ages.**

Number of siblings \_\_\_\_\_ List their ages \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Is English the primary language spoken in your home? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, what language? \_\_\_\_\_

**Last Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **First Name** \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: 4.0 scale Un-weighted \_\_\_\_\_ Weighted \_\_\_\_\_ Rank in Class \_\_\_\_\_ Total in the class \_\_\_\_\_

Does your school offer AP (Advance Placement) classes? \_\_\_\_\_ How many AP classes have you taken? \_\_\_\_\_

Highest ACT Composite \_\_\_\_\_ Highest SAT Math \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Verbal \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been suspended, expelled, or put on probation? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list your college choices in order of preference

(1) \_\_\_\_\_ Already Admitted  Admission Pending

(3) \_\_\_\_\_ Already Admitted  Admission Pending

(2) \_\_\_\_\_ Already Admitted  Admission Pending

(4) \_\_\_\_\_ Already Admitted  Admission Pending

Indicate your career goals \_\_\_\_\_

Major you plan to study in college \_\_\_\_\_ Minor \_\_\_\_\_

List Honors. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Are you presently employed? \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Length of Employment \_\_\_\_\_ How many hours do you work per week \_\_\_\_\_

Interests/Activities \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Church/Community Affiliations \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The following two questions are informational purposes only and have no bearing on the scholarship application:

Did you attend the Edison College Connection College Fair at the Expo Pavilion? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you attend The Simon Estes Educational Foundation College Planning Seminar? \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Essay**

In a 750 word essay, please explain why you deserve scholarship consideration. If you have circumstances that warrant special attention, please explain in your essay. Please attach additional pages if necessary.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

*Please complete each financial question and do not leave blank spaces. Use N/A for all that do not apply.*

I have completed a 2009-2010 FAFSA      Yes       No       In Progress

Estimated student income earned during the school year while in college      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated student income earned during the summer while in college      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Annual Income      \$ \_\_\_\_\_      Father's Annual Income      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Stepmother's Annual Income      \$ \_\_\_\_\_      Stepfather's Annual Income      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Income (child support, alimony etc.)      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Who will provide financial support for college?

*Please check all that apply*

Father       Mother       Stepfather       Stepmother       Guardian       Other  \_\_\_\_\_

If your parents/stepparents are not contributing toward your college expenses, please explain.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

**FINANCIAL NEED WORKSHEET #1**

Please complete the following worksheet for your top two college choices and submit with your application. All financial aid and scholarships listed will be verified by the Foundation.

My First Choice

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

**COSTS**

List amount per year

Tuition	\$ _____
Fees	\$ _____
Books	\$ _____
On Campus Room	\$ _____
On Campus Board	\$ _____
Other (please specify) _____	\$ _____
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**RESOURCES**

List amount per year

Parental Contribution	\$ _____
Student Contribution	\$ _____
*Trust or Other Sources of Income	\$ _____
University Tuition Fee Waiver	\$ _____
Other University Funding	\$ _____
FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)	
1. Loans	\$ _____
2. Grants	\$ _____
3. Work Study	\$ _____

**SCHOLARSHIP**

List each scholarship and indicate if it is renewable

(Example: John Doe Scholarship, \$500/year, renewable for 4 years)

_____	\$ _____	<b>Renewable Award</b>
_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs
_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs
_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs
_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs

**Scholarship Pending**

Please list any scholarship still pending a decision and indicate if it is renewable

_____	\$ _____	<b>Renewable Award</b>
_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs
_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs
_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs
_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr <input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs

**Total from Resources and Scholarships** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please explain Trust or other source of income \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

**FINANCIAL NEED WORKSHEET #2**

Please complete the following worksheet for your top two college choices and submit with your application. All financial aid and scholarships listed will be verified by the Foundation.

My Second Choice

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

**COSTS**

List amount per year

Tuition	\$ _____
Fees	\$ _____
Books	\$ _____
On Campus Room	\$ _____
On Campus Board	\$ _____
Other (please specify) _____	\$ _____
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**RESOURCES**

List amount per year

Parental Contribution	\$ _____
Student Contribution	\$ _____
*Trust or Other Sources of Income	\$ _____
University Tuition Fee Waiver	\$ _____
Other University Funding	\$ _____
FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)	
1. Loans	\$ _____
2. Grants	\$ _____
3. Work Study	\$ _____

**SCHOLARSHIP**

List each scholarship and indicate if it is renewable

(Example: John Doe Scholarship, \$500/year, renewable for 4 years)

_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs
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_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs
_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs

**Scholarship Pending**

Please list any scholarship still pending a decision and indicate if it is renewable

_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs
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_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 yr	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 yrs	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 yrs

**Total from Resources and Scholarships** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please explain Trust or other source of income \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Provide three character references that are not members of your family and attach letters of recommendation from each. References may be teachers, clergy or employers.**

1) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

2) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

3) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

*We welcome any additional comments regarding special circumstances your references may wish to provide in support of your application. Be sure to attach any additional information to the application.*

**STUDENT SIGNATURE ONLY**

I certify that all information submitted by me as a part of this application is my own work and is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S) SIGNATURE ONLY**

I certify that all information submitted on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Father/Guardian: Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mother/Guardian: Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR COUNSELORS ONLY (Optional)**

I certify that I have reviewed this application and that it is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**The completed application must be received at The Simon Estes Educational Foundation on or before March 9, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. Applications should be mailed to:**

*The Simon Estes Educational Foundation  
100 North Greenwood Avenue  
Tulsa, OK 74120*

**Applicant Information Form**

Note To Applicant: Completion of this form is voluntary on your part. Applicants are considered for this scholarship without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or ethnic origin. However, the information sought herein is to assist the Foundation with demographic record keeping relative to our applicant pool and will be kept in a confidential file separate from the scholarship application.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

**Race:**

African American \_\_\_\_\_

Asian/Pacific Islander \_\_\_\_\_

Caucasian \_\_\_\_\_

Hispanic \_\_\_\_\_

Native American \_\_\_\_\_

(Please provide a copy of your Tribal Roll Card)

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_