SCTD offers many scholarship opportunities to help reduce the cost of a college education.

The annual on-campus Scholarship Fair, held in February, gives potential students an opportunity to demonstrate their skill in any of the programs offered at the college, from CADD to hand-drawn art, from Interior Design to HVAC-R, from multimedia skills to computer networking abilities. For each contest, the college awards first, second, and third place scholarships of $3,000, $2,000 and $1,000, respectively.

Scholarships offered year round

Each May, incoming students graduating from high school may participate in the Scholarship Essay Contest. Students submit an application, including current GPA, ACT scores and a brief essay concerning their program and career choices. The college awards scholarships of $3,000 to the individuals with the highest scores across all the required components. SCTD awards up to six of these scholarships annually.

In June and August, SCTD offers the Outstanding Career & Technical Student Scholarship which covers half of a student’s total tuition charges. Requirements are at least a 3.5 GPA, composite ACT scores of at least 20, enrollment at the college, an essay and an interview with a representative committee of college administrators, staff and instructors.

James Snider, a Mechanical Engineering Technology student and a graduate of Western High School, was the first recipient. He states that “I wouldn’t be here without this scholarship.” SCTD had the Mechanical Engineering Technology/Robotics degree program which James wanted. Now, completing his second quarter, he’s getting into more depth with his content.

The second recipient, Jakob Bradshaw, is a Computer Graphic Design student from Ohio. Jakob stated that there were many reasons why he chose SCTD. He likes the flexibility the college offers with day and evening schedules. Jakob stated that going to college is “easily one of the most expensive investments I will make,” and how to pay for college was one of his main concerns. He focused on getting good grades in high school so “when it came time to apply for colleges, I would know that my grades would help me with my tuition.”

Now completing his second quarter, Jakob said that he has already started taking classes in his career field and he loves it. His advice to incoming students is to “work hard in school… If you are passionate about something, make sure to strive towards whatever it is and get the education you deserve.”

In December, the college holds the annual Scholarship Exam Day. Students sit for the ASSET exam, and those with the highest scores on the exam, first, second and third, receive scholarships of $3,000, $2,000 and $1,000 respectively. The college awards up to six scholarships per year in this competition, depending on how students perform on the exam and whether there are tie scores in some categories.

These are a few of the scholarship opportunities available at SCTD to assist students with the cost of an education. Contact the Admissions Department at SCTD (502-456-6509) to find out more!

These scholarship winners are on their way to fantastic new careers