



Barbara "BJ" Cothran Memorial Scholarship

The Barbara "BJ" Cothran Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to provide financial assistance to academically gifted women attending Ranken Technical College. The scholarship will be awarded based upon the following criteria:

- Preference will be given to female students who are enrolled full-time (a minimum of 12 credit hours each semester) in a bachelor's or associate's program.
- Candidates must be in their second, third or fourth year of study.
- Candidates must maintain a Grade Point Average of 2.5 or better and maintain a Work Ethic grade of "Meets Expectations" or better.
- Candidates will be evaluated both on merit and financial need.
- Previous scholarship recipients may re-apply for the Scholarship.

Students must complete and submit the following to the Financial Aid Office:

- A FAFSA application.
- A BJ Cothran Scholarship Application.
- Candidates must submit an essay (at least 200 words) on "Pioneering Women in the Field of _____." (selected field of study) describing why this field was chosen, role models or women who inspired, and ideas of how to move women forward in the field.
- Candidates must submit a letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, employer or another individual who is not a relative.
- Candidates may be asked to meet with members of the Ranken Scholarship Committee.



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Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Social Security Number: XXX-XX-_____

Cumulative GPA in Academics: _____ Work Ethic Grades: _____

The following must be included when submitting the application:

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I hereby authorize Ranken Technical College to disclose my financial and/or academic records to the donor/donors of this scholarship. I also authorize Ranken Technical College to disclose the details of my scholarship to the public.

Student's Signature

Date

Application Deadline: June 1

To: Scholarship Committee - BJ Cothran Scholarship

From: _____ (Major Instructor)

RE: _____
Student Course/Date

In order to ensure that our Ranken funds are distributed to deserving students who have demonstrated the ability and initiative to succeed, we are asking that you provide the following information:

EVALUATION OF THE ABOVE NAMED STUDENT

Excellent		Good			Fair		Poor		
10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

Interest _____

Motivation _____

Attitude _____

Ability _____

Academics (Grades) _____

Attendance _____

Excluding financial reasons, do you feel that this student will successfully complete the program of study and graduate? Yes No

If no, please explain:

Additional Comments:

Instructor's Signature

Date

Please return this form to the Financial Aid Office. **Deadline Date: June 1**