## Applying for Scholarships

## Stake Education Mentors

- 1. Apply at least two weeks before the scholarship deadline.
- 2. Keep in mind what committees are looking for:
  - Subject criteria: Stated requirements, service to others, academic achievement, extracurricular activities, leadership, traits specific to that scholarship, and goals or values of the organization
  - Personal Qualities: Hard work, determination to overcome obstacles, teamwork, perseverance, individual initiative, passion and enthusiasm, responsibility, civic duty, purpose, and character
- 3. Request letters of recommendation from those who know you well.
- 4. Know where to request transcripts.
- 5. Prepare reusable materials (see Writing for a Scholarship document):
  - Awards and certificates
  - Cover letters
  - Email and cover letter
  - Essays
  - Extracurricular or civic activities
  - Master application
  - Power statements
  - Thank you message
  - Themes that describe you
- 6. One week after sending in application or one week before the due date, send a thank you email or note.

