

2010 ROBERT E. DOUGHERTY EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The Robert E. Dougherty Educational Foundation is pleased to announce its call for 2010 scholarship nominations. This year's competition is open to North American citizens who will begin their junior or senior year of undergraduate or post-graduate study in the fall of 2010. Scholarship nominees must be enrolled in a forest products, wood science/technology, chemistry, mechanical engineering or industrial engineering curriculum. The 2010 awards will consist of up to five scholarships of \$5,000 each with the opportunity for scholarship recipients to apply for a second award of \$5,000 for the 2011 school year. Scholarship awards are in the form of checks made payable to the student and delivered to the student's academic advisor. The scholarship award reflects the Foundation's commitment to provide financial assistance to students pursuing a career in the composite panel and affiliated industries.

APPLICATION AND NOMINATION PROCESS

Scholarship application forms must be filled out and returned to the Foundation **no later than March 1, 2010**. All applications will be reviewed by Foundation staff to verify completeness and that the student has received the nomination from a Foundation member. The applications will then be forwarded to the Robert E. Dougherty Educational Foundation Selection Committee, which consists of Academic Advisors. Scholarship awards will be announced following a meeting of the Robert E. Dougherty Educational Foundation Board of Directors in late Spring.

Scholarship applicants **must be nominated** by a member of the Robert E. Dougherty Educational Foundation. Foundation member companies may nominate multiple applicants per year. Institutional members (universities and colleges) may nominate one applicant from each curriculum category (forest products; chemistry; engineering).

An electronic application form is available for download at www.pbmdf.com

OTHER BENEFITS OF APPLYING FOR A SCHOLARSHIP

In addition to the scholarship awards, a list of the 2010 scholarship nominees will be distributed to all members of the Composite Panel Association (CPA). These companies will be encouraged to consider these nominees when making their summer and full-time hiring decisions. By submitting an application, you are distributing your academic achievements and career aspirations to more than 200 companies in the composite panel, forest products, decorative surfaces, furniture, cabinet, and related industries. Applicants are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the CPA and learn of the many diverse career opportunities the industry has to offer.

ROBERT E. DOUGHERTY AND THE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

In 1960, Robert Dougherty, a Washington, DC lawyer with a lumber association background, was selected by members of the particleboard industry to be the first Executive Vice President of the newly formed National Particleboard Association (NPA), a position he held until his retirement 23 years later. During those years, Bob kept his fingers on the pulse of an industry that grew from 232 million square feet/year to more than 3 billion square feet/year today. Bob Dougherty passed away in 1985 after providing industry with over two decades of invaluable service and leadership. The Foundation was formed in 1986 by the members of the NPA (now the CPA) in memory Robert Dougherty. The Foundation's sole purpose is to provide financial assistance to students in industry related fields of study.

The Robert E. Dougherty Educational Foundation is managed by a Board of Directors and is sponsored and funded by the Composite Panel Association (CPA).

The CPA was founded in 1960 and represents the North American composite panel industry on technical, regulatory, quality assurance, and product acceptance issues. The membership represents nearly 95% of the total manufacturing capacity of North American particleboard, medium density fiberboard, hardboard, and other compatible products. Associate Members include manufactures of furniture, cabinets, decorative surfaces and equipment as well as laminators and distributors.