

Colorado Governor's Tourism Conference Professional Scholarship

All users are required to log into the portal and complete the online application for the **Governor's Tourism Conference Professional Scholarship.** All support materials are uploaded to the online **OEDIT online portal system**. New users will need to register for an account on the portal.

No hard copies or emailed copies of the application or support materials will be accepted. We recommend that applicants register in the portal and review the application with plenty of time before the deadline to allow staff proper time to assist with any questions or issues.

Overview of this document:

- How to create an account in the online portal
- Application Questions
- Staff contact information

How to Create an Account in the Online Portal

Apply online through the <u>OEDIT online portal</u>. Log in or create a new account. New users are manually added to the portal for security reasons, so it may take several days to activate your account. Once a new account has been created, users will receive an email notification.

For more support setting up your account, please review these additional <u>OEDIT Online</u>

<u>Portal Instructions.</u>

To successfully submit your application, all tasks must be completed and then the submit button will be available. A confirmation email will be sent upon successful submission.

Application Questions

The application is broken into these sections:

- Applicant Eligibility Status
- General Information
- Narrative Questions

- Supporting Documents
- Attestation

Each narrative question in the online application allows for 1,000 characters including spaces and punctuation. To fill out the application, you will need to:

- Prepare answers to the narrative questions. (TIP: use a word processing or notepad document)
- Check the word count for each question (include spaces). To check your word count in Microsoft Word, select all of the words in your response, select 'Review,' and select 'Word Count.'
- 3. Cut and paste each response into the online application in the <a>OEDIT online portal.

We recommend filling in your answers in this document and saving your progress. You can copy and paste your responses from this document into the application portal when you are ready.

Eligibility Questions

- I am or will be 21 years of age or older as of the start date of the Colorado Tourism Governor's Conference this year (9/25/2024).
- I am a current resident of Colorado.
- I have not participated in a Colorado Tourism Governor's Conference previously as an attendee.
- My company or organization provides services directly to visitors to Colorado.
- I am not currently employed by the State of Colorado.

General Information

- First Name
- Last Name
- Email
- Phone
- Address
- City
- State
- Zip Code
- County
- Sponsoring Tourism Business/Association/Organization
- What is your position status at the above?
 - Owner
 - Full-Time employed
 - Part-Time employed
 - Volunteer

 Provide the name and email address of your manager or volunteer coordinator (enter N/A if you are the owner)

Narrative Questions

- Describe your passion for the tourism industry in Colorado and why you want to attend the Governor's Tourism Conference.
- Describe what you hope you learn at the conference and why attending the Governor's Tourism Conference would benefit you and/or tourism in your destination or industry sector.

Supporting Documents

You will be required to submit this support material. The omission of the required support material will make your application ineligible for review.

Current resume

Attestation

If awarded a scholarship, I understand I must conduct myself in a professional manner and must attend and participate in all conference activities, events, and sessions. *

If awarded a scholarship, I understand I must register for Gov Con by 9/1/2024 via an online link provided by the Colorado Tourism Office. *

If awarded a scholarship, I understand I will be provided with lodging for the conference but will be responsible for all other expenses. *

Staff Contact

For questions regarding the Colorado Governor's Tourism Conference Professional Scholarship program or the application portal, email Sami Wells at sami.wells@state.co.us.