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Boneal Inc. funds ROTC scholarship

Morehead State University has announced that Boneal Inc., a local engineering and manufacturing solutions company, will support a four-year ROTC scholarship for the Eagle Battalion.

The company, headquartered in Means, sponsors scholarships at universities and colleges throughout the state and region.

With many of its managers and engineers being MSU graduates, the company already had closeness with the University. The company collaborates with the Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology and recently donated robotic equipment to help further hands-on instruction.

Dr. Keith Gannon, CEO of Boneal Inc., said that because of the close ties the company maintains through its employees to MSU, the scholarship was a natural match.

The company has aggressively promoted the growth of technology-based education in east Kentucky through financial and civic engagement with the goal being to ensure that the region maintains a base of technology smart workers and managers. Combining the leadership training of ROTC and a technology-based degree will help support that goal.

The four-year scholarship, which will be merit-based, and will include: four years of tuition and room, a monthly stipend and a book allowance.

Applicants will be processed through the standard ROTC scholarship application process that evaluates candidates based on academic achievement, athletic participation and leadership accomplishment.

Candidates for the Boneal Leadership Scholarship must complete a degree in science, math, computer science or industrial technology. Following their senior year, the student will be commissioned in the Army as a second lieutenant and have the opportunity to serve in the Army National Guard, Reserves or Active duty.

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