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NHLA Inspector Training School Offers Tuition Scholarships
Applications Are Due December 14, 2009

MEMPHIS, TENN. – The National Hardwood Lumber Association will award up to five full tuition scholarships to students for the spring 2010 Inspector Training School Program at the Memphis campus. The 14-week program begins January 6, 2010 and concludes on April 9, 2010.

“The scholarships are designed to offer individuals- that would otherwise not be afforded the opportunity to attend the School- the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful lumber graders and productive hardwood industry members,” stated Crystal Oldham, NHLA Director of Education. “In addition, it also benefits NHLA member companies that would normally cover tuition costs for their employees.”

The scholarships, which will include all books and supplies, will be awarded to individuals selected by the NHLA Inspector Training School Committee.

Eligibility requirements are as follows:

- Applicants must be employed by an NHLA member company
- Applicants must be at least 18 years old
- Applicants must have earned a high school diploma or GED
- Applicants must complete the entire 14-week Lumber Inspection Program with a passing grade of 80 percent or higher

Scholarship applications must be submitted to NHLA by December 14, 2009.

The NHLA Inspector Training School has a proud and rich 60 year history; graduating more than 6,700 students since its conception. The Program teaches the rules and applications of the NHLA grading system and prepares students for a career in the global hardwood industry. This unique program has earned worldwide respect, consequently attracting students from throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Africa, South America and Asia.

Interested persons can download a scholarship application from www.nhla.com. To enroll or learn more about the NHLA Scholarship Program, contact Crystal Oldham, Director of Education at c.oldham@nhla.com or 901-507-0312.

The world’s largest and oldest hardwood industry association, NHLA represents more than 1,400 companies and individuals that produce, use and sell North American hardwood lumber, or provide equipment, supplies or services to the hardwood industry. It was founded in 1898 to establish a uniform system of grading rules for the measurement and inspection of hardwood lumber. Since 1979, its headquarters have been in Memphis.

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