



2021 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICATIONS FOR \$1000.00 SCHOLARSHIPS are available to graduating high school students from Cherokee, Clay or Graham Counties & including Nantahala HS who demonstrate academic strength, leadership, community involvement and financial need. Scholarships are for tuition and/or books and have no cash exchange value and are non-transferable.

CRITERIA for ELEGIBILITY

Applicant must be a US Citizen, a North Carolina resident and be a graduating senior with a 2.85 GPA or above.

Applicant must plan to attend a two- or four-year college, university or community college as a fulltime student beginning Fall of 2021.

This is an academic excellence and need based scholarship. Preference can be given to those with greater financial need.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES CHECKLIST

To be considered each applicant must submit **ALL** of the following:

- **Application** completed
- **Two letters of recommendation**, One from a faculty member. One from an unrelated adult.
- **High School Transcript and SAT/ACT official report of scores.** If not available explain why.
- **Personal Essay** stating your qualifications, including personal background, leadership, educational and personal goals, special contributions, and volunteer work at school and/or the community and your career interests. (See Essay Section IV)
- **Copy of requested Tax Return** *with social security numbers blacked out. ALL sensitive documents will be handled with care and be properly shredded following recipient selection.*

This application and the essay are to be completed by the STUDENT. Any submissions deemed to be completed by another person will not be considered for the award.

To be eligible for consideration, applicants must submit a completed application and ALL supporting documents to the Scholarship Committee postmarked no later than **March 1st** and mailed to **MLBOR 93 Tennessee St. Murphy, NC 28906**. Or you can drop it off during office hours M-F 8:30-4:00. *(No exceptions can be made to the deadline; late applications will not be considered.)*

Winning Recipients will be notified by phone and certificates will be sent to the high school for presentation at the school's Senior Awards Ceremony.

Funds will be paid directly to the school of choice with instructions to disperse \$500 for the first quarter/semester and \$500 for the second semester.

SECTION 1: STUDENT INFORMATION

Personal Information:

FIRST MIDDLE LAST NAME

MAILING ADDRESS (home or PO Box) CITY/STATE/ZIPCODE

HOME PHONE STUDENT'S CELL PHONE STUDENT'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

STUDENT'S EMAIL ADDRESS

FATHER'S or Guardian's NAME OCCUPATION PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT

MOTHER'S or Guardian's NAME OCCUPATION PLACE of EMPLOYMENT

HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE INFORMATION

HIGH SCHOOL NAME SCHOOL PHONE #

This applicant will graduate in the spring this year from high school and plans to attend the following accredited two or four year college or university located in the United States, beginning with the upcoming Fall quarter or semester

SCHOOL COUNSELOR'S NAME COUNSELOR'S SIGNATURE DATE

NAME of COLLEGE or UNIVERSITY

ADDRESS of the Financial Aid Office (where check is to be sent) City/St/Zip

Make Check Pay to the Order of: _____
Each school has a different preference

STUDENT ID # (if assigned) FINANCIAL AID OFC. PHONE MAIN CAMPUS PHONE

SECTION II: STUDENT ACADEMIC INFORMATION

To be completed by student prior to submitting back to counselor for review.

CIRCLE the answer that applies

1. Indicate your family's adjusted gross income verified by most recent Federal Income Tax Return (You may black out social security numbers... ALL personal data will be properly shredded following selections)

Less than \$25,000 \$25,000-\$35,000 \$35,000-\$45,000

\$45,000 to \$55,000 \$55,000 to \$65,000 Greater than \$65,000

2. Indicate the total number of individuals (including parents and dependents) in your household

4-5 6-7 7 and above

3. How many of these individuals will be enrolled in college in this upcoming FALL?

2 3 4 or more

4. List any other scholarships and financial aid awards and the amounts that are expected.

SECTION III: PERSONAL GOALS

CAREER GOAL _____ **MAJOR** _____

List your extracurricular activities in school or community, volunteering, honors, awards, recognition:

Attach additional page as necessary

Provide any additional information that may help the committee in assessing your application.

SECTION IV: PERSONAL ESSAY

Complete a typed personal essay stating your qualifications, including personal background, leadership, educational and personal goals, special contributions and volunteer work at school and in the community and your career interests... why YOU should receive this scholarship.
Please NO STAPLES

SECTION V: DECLARATION

I declare that the information reported herein is true, correct and completed by the applicant. I shall provide as requested the additional documentation listed on page 1.

I understand and agree that any suspicion of forgery, incorrect and/or incomplete information, of completion by another party will result in my application being disqualified.

I understand that my completed application with transcripts, letters of recommendation, tax returns and typed essay must be submitted at the office of the Mountain Lakes Board of REALTORS® at 93 Tennessee St, Murphy, NC 28906 (downtown between the Red Brick Deli and City Lock) no later than MARCH 1st. If after hours before the March 1st deadline, you may drop application into our locked mail box. A large manila envelope is recommended. Please NO STAPLED PAGES

Date completed

Student's signature

Parent or guardian's signature
