



United Churches Scholarship Instructions and Eligibility Requirements

Instructions for Applicants:

1. Read ALL of the guidelines below carefully.
2. Submit a personal statement/essay, not to exceed three typewritten pages (see Accompanying Forms section for details).
3. All application forms need to be filled in online.
4. Email your application, letters of recommendation, unofficial transcript(s), and any other required materials to joank16@gmail.com on or before May 1. This is a firm deadline.

Eligibility Requirements:

The applicant must:

1. have an active relationship with The United Churches of Olympia.
2. be a graduating high school senior for the McNall Scholarship or be eligible for post-secondary education for the Reeves Family Scholarship.
3. apply to their school of choice and provide documentation of acceptance before an award is confirmed.

Deadlines:

1. Application forms will be available after March 1 each year on The United Churches of Olympia's website: www.theunitedchurches.org.
2. All completed applications must be emailed to the United Churches Scholarship Chair on or before May 1 of the same year.
3. Applicants will be notified of awards after May 15 of the same year.

Accompanying Forms:

1. Each application must be accompanied by a personal essay/statement, not to exceed three typewritten pages, which must include a personal profile of introduction, educational goals, motivations, and why the applicant feels they should receive the scholarship. Applicants are encouraged to submit other material, which they consider relevant not to exceed ten pages.

2. Each application must have two written recommendations from either:
 - a. a high school teacher or vocational/college/seminary professor
 - OR
 - b. an employer or professional community member

AND

 - c. from a United Churches member.
3. A recent, unofficial transcript from their high school and/or college, vocational school, seminary.

The completed application and accompanying documents must be received via email on or before May 1.

Interview:

The Scholarship Review Committee may require an interview with the applicant. Applicants will be notified by telephone, e-mail, and/or letter of their interview date and time. All interviews will be completed prior to the May 15 deadline of the application year.

NOTE: All applications and accompanying materials, including letters of recommendation, will be destroyed after they are reviewed.

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