

The Church of God by Faith

Educational Scholarship Program

The Church of God by Faith (COGBF) Scholarship Program has been established to promote the continuing college/university education of graduating high school students. The scholarship program encourages students to pursue their higher education by supporting students financially and spiritually. **There will be two / or three scholarships awarded per year.**

Minimum Qualifications:

To be eligible, the applicant must:

- Be a high school senior who is an active member of COGBF whose life reflects that of holiness and upholds the moral standards of the church.

Selection Criteria:

Applicants will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Academic performance
 - Current overall grade point average **must be at least a B (3.0)**
- Church participation
 - Must faithfully serve in the local church
- Service
 - Actively involved in ministry, outreach and community service

Application Requirements

Applicants must submit the following:

- A complete application form (see attached)
- An essay (300-word minimum/500-word maximum) addressing why it is important to continue your education.
 - Indicate career aspirations, future goals, financial need and statement of faith (What role does God play in your life? What does a Christ-like life mean to you?)
- An official high school transcript

- **Two** letters of recommendation from local Pastor and High School Principal, Guidance Counselor or Teacher.

Scholarship Recipients:

1. Submit supporting documentation of enrollment as a full-time student (at least 12 credit hours per semester) into an accredited college or university i.e. letter of acceptance.
2. Will receive a check for the first semester in the amount of \$1250.00 upon proof of enrollment as a full-time student Fall 2017. The check will be made payable to the school for use by the student. The scholarship monies may be used for books, supplies, fees, meals, and tuition or dorm expenses.
3. Must maintain an overall 3.0 GPA to receive an additional \$1250.00 for the Spring semester. A copy of the official transcript of grades from the first semester and the second semester schedule will be required to receive the check for the 2nd semester.
4. Must maintain full compliance with all requirements.

The deadline for submitting application requirements is April 30, 2017.

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Application Form

(Please complete and return no later than April 30, 2017.)

Section I. Personal Information

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Cell: _____

Email _____

Age _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Social Security #: _____ - _____ - _____

Parent or Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

Section II. School Information

High School: _____

Address: _____

Date of Graduation: _____ G.P.A.: _____

Program of high school study (college prep, vocational, if
other please specify): _____

College(s) or University(ies)
accepted and/or applied to: _____

Major field of study: _____

List school achievements/honors/awards/scholarships

Section III. Church Information

Church Name: _____
City and State: _____
District _____
Pastor _____
Member since: _____

List church activities (include roles/positions held)

Section IV. Community Service

List community and personal activities (include community organizations, volunteer activities)

Section V. Financial Need

Is financial need a major reason for applying for a scholarship? Please explain. (You may attach a statement if space is not sufficient)

Section VI. Essay

Please complete and attach an essay (300-word minimum/500-word maximum) that discusses the following:

- Career objectives/goals
- Future aspirations
- Explain how your faith plays a part in your future within COGBF organization.
- Financial need (how will this scholarship benefit you)

Section VII. Letters of Recommendation (include two letters, one of which **must** be from your local pastor). Please make sure both letters have signatures.

Applicant's Signature

I certify that I have filled out the above application completely and truthfully and to the best of my knowledge. I understand that this application is not complete until official transcripts and typewritten essay have been submitted.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Thank you for completing and submitting this application for Educational Scholarships awarded by the Church of God by Faith. Your application will receive full attention.

Return Applications by April 30, 2017 to:

*Church of God by Faith National Office
2409 Old Middleburg N.
Jacksonville, Florida 32210*

ATTENTION: Scholarship Committee

Scholarship Check List

Before mailing please be sure to include the following:

Check (✓)

1. Application (<i>be sure to include</i>)	
Scholastic Achievement	
Church Participation	
Community Service	
Financial Need	
2. Essay	
3. Letters of Recommendation	
4. Transcripts	

Scholarship Score Sheet

Reviewer # _____

Area	Maximum # of points	Score
Overall Application (neatness, spelling/grammar, completeness)	10	
Scholastic Achievement (G.P.A., honors, awards)	10	
Church Participation (leadership, attendance, participation in activities)	15	
Community Service (helping others, volunteer work, service projects)	15	
Essay (ability to communicate, content, demonstrates faith and importance of God in life)	30	
Financial Need	10	
Letters of Recommendation	10	
Total	100	