

The New Jersey Legion of Honor Preceptory Scholarship

Based in a philanthropic drive to provide the tools necessary for our youth to succeed in their future endeavors; and based on the idea of a strong education being a keystone for future success in their lives, it has been decided by The New Jersey Legion of Honor Preceptory to reaffirm our commitment to our youth by establishing a scholarship award that provides both a means and incentive for future generations to succeed.

ELIGIBILITY

A one-time undergraduate scholarship will be awarded to an active DeMolay who has satisfactorily completed the requirements for high school graduation, has been accepted into an accredited college, university or community college and has neither completed his 2nd year at such an institution nor reached twenty-two years of age at the time of the application deadline.

The committee will consider the applicant's academic achievement, financial need, character, and service to others in awarding this scholarship. A transcript of the applicant's high school record is required and must be included with the application. All questions on the application **MUST** be completed.

AWARD

One scholarship of \$500 will be awarded and paid directly to the individual to pay for textbooks or related educational expenses necessary to pursue an education at an institution of higher learning.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED

In addition to this form, we require two "essays:"

The first will be a brief description of what the applicant hopes to achieve by attending college/a school of higher education. This may include why they chose the major they are pursuing, or what they intend to do with their degree.

The second will require a description of the financial need for the scholarship. This may include an overview of the family finances, the fact that the student is paying their own way through college, or what other information may be needed to demonstrate the "need" portion of the application.

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

In addition to the application, the following documents will also be required:

School transcript - Either from high school or college career to date. An applicant who has only completed one year of college will be required to provide both a high school and college transcript.

College acceptance letter (or other evidence of continuing education/college enrollment)

Federal "Student Aid Report" – This is the report received after the applicant completes the Free Application For Student Aid (FAFSA).

APPROVAL AND DISBURSEMENT

Once the applications have been received, they will be reviewed and “ranked” based on merit and need by the Commander of the Legion of Honor Preceptory and his committee. The committee will consist of three members for a total review board of three (3) including the DeMolay Executive Officer. A summary of each application and the Commander along with the committee’s reasons for the ranking will be prepared along with a recommendation for the recipients. Funds will be disbursed directly to the individual for deposit in the recipient’s account as stated previously.

APPLICATION FOR NEW JERSEY LEGION OF HONOR PRECEPTORY SCHOLARSHIP

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Mailing address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ ZIP code: _____

Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Chapter name: _____ Chapter location: _____

List honors and/or offices held: _____

Father’s name: _____ Living _____ Deceased _____

Father’s occupation: _____ Salary _____

Mother’s name: _____ Living _____ Deceased _____

Mother’s occupation: _____ Salary _____

Number of other children in your family: _____ Their ages: _____

Number presently in college: _____

Name of your high school: _____

Location (Name of town/city): _____

A transcript of your secondary school record and/or school of higher education, indicating your current GPA, class standing and year of graduation MUST accompany this application. Optionally, you may also include SAT and/or ACT scores, if applicable.

List any offices you have held in school organizations:

List any scholastic, literary, or scientific honors or awards:

List any other school athletics/ensembles/clubs you have participated in:

List any other organizations (including spiritual and/or non-profit) you have belonged to:

List any other special activities you have participated in:

Names of colleges/universities where you have been accepted or attended:

Names of other colleges/universities to which you have applied or are currently attending:

What is your anticipated college major? _____

What were your gross earnings in the past year? _____

How did you earn this money? (indicate summer or part time jobs)

Indicate **by \$ amount or %** how you expect to fund your college tuition (outside of this scholarship) from the following:

From personal savings _____ From family assistance _____

From working while at college _____

From school/federal/state aid _____

Have you been awarded any other scholarships? _____ Describe: _____

Please list any additional information that you feel will be helpful. You may include a short personal biography:

Personal References (Please list name and complete address or phone number.)

1. _____
2. _____

I hereby certify that I have read the purpose, eligibility requirements, and conditions of this scholarship award, and that I will abide by the decisions of the scholarship committee.

Signature

Date Signed

The deadline to return a completed application is September 20, 2024.

Please return completed applications to:

NJ DeMolay Legion of Honor Scholarship
c/o Dad James Chwalyk
39 Newark Avenue
Bloomfield, NJ 07003