

FORT WORTH SCOTTISH RITE FOUNDATION, INC. 2020 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

INTRODUCTION

The Fort Worth Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation") is pleased to announce its 2020 Scholarship Program. Fifty (50) scholarships are offered. Each scholarship is One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) and will be awarded in accordance with the terms and conditions stated herein and in the attached sample letter to be sent to the institution chosen. The scholarships honor graduating high school seniors for scholastic, extracurricular and community efforts and dedication. Successful applicants must be a U.S. citizen or a legal resident.

Five (5) of the scholarships are given a preference for students who will be enrolling at a community college for the 2020-21 scholastic year. A community college is a public institution which awards Associate Degrees. An example of such a community college is Tarrant County College.

The Fort Worth Scottish Rite Foundation is a Masonic body. *The Mission of Scottish Rite of Freemasonry is to improve its members and enhance the communities in which they live by teaching and emulating the principles of Brotherly Love, Tolerance, Charity, and Truth while actively embracing high social, moral, and spiritual values including fellowship, compassion, and dedication to God, family and country.*

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

NOTE: Applicants must comply with these instructions. Any applications that do not follow these instructions may not be considered. Please review the Scholarship Conditions before completing the application.

1. Answer all questions on **pages 4 and 5** of this application.
2. Remove all application materials including transcripts and reference letters from envelopes or folders.
3. Assemble an Application Package in the following order. (No photos, please)
 - a. Your completed pages 4 and 5.
 - b. Your high school transcript. (Does not have to be official. Remove from envelope if applicable.)
 - c. A copy of your SAT and/or ACT scores results. (Can be downloaded from internet.)
 - d. Two personal reference letters for you. (From other than family or high school faculty.)
 - e. Two academic reference letters for you. (Must be from your high school faculty.)
4. **Mark out all but the last four numbers of your Social Security Numbers on all documents in your Application Package (for example: some transcripts have the SS# printed on them).**
5. **Submit the original and three copies** of your assembled Application Package. Watch for documents that may need to be copied front and back.
6. Do not submit application material in multiple packages. Incomplete applications may not be considered. **Please, no folders or report covers. Just use paper clips or staples.**
7. Send the Application Package to: Fort Worth Scottish Rite Office
P. O. Box 1320
Fort Worth, TX 76101-1320
or deliver to the office at 1100 Henderson Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76102.
8. Application Packages must be postmarked or hand-delivered to the Scottish Rite office no later than February 28, 2020.

*Questions? Call 817-335-6004 (Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm) or E-mail to
Admin1@fortworthscottishrite.org*

SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS

1. Scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors graduating in the spring or summer of 2020. Students need not have any Masonic or Scottish Rite affiliations to apply.
2. Only high school seniors who reside in or graduate from a high school in the following counties will be considered:

Archer	Baylor	Callahan	Clay
Coleman	Comanche	Cooke	Denton
Eastland	Erath	Foard	Hamilton
Hardeman	Haskell	Hood	Jack
Johnson	Jones	Knox	Montague
Palo Pinto	Parker	Shackelford	Somervell
Stephens	Stonewall	Tarrant	Taylor
Throckmorton	Wichita	Wilbarger	Wise
Young			

3. Only one scholarship will be awarded per high school. Any number of students from that school may apply.
4. Each scholarship is for the sum of \$1,500.00 payable at the beginning of the 2020-21 scholastic year to the Financial Affairs office of the institution designated by the scholarship recipient. The transmittal letter to the academic institution will be in the form attached to this package. The sample transmittal letter contains additional conditions pertaining to these scholarships.
5. Properly completed Application Packages will be reviewed and graded by the Scholarship Committee of the Fort Worth Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc.
6. Application Packages are reviewed and graded based upon the scholastic, extracurricular and civic efforts and dedication of the applicant.
7. Among factors considered as scholastic efforts and dedication will be SAT and ACT scores, high school transcripts and listing of honors, advanced placement and dual credit courses.
8. The two academic reference letters shall be from the faculty of the high school attended by the student. The letters should address the academic merit of the applicant.
9. The two personal reference letters shall not be from faculty members at the applicant's high school or from members of the applicant's family.
10. Personal and academic reference letters should cite specific achievements and activities.
11. Grading and scoring of completed application packages and the award of scholarships is in the sole discretion of the Fort Worth Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc.

Sample Letter to Institution

(Subject to Change at Fort Worth Scottish Rite Discretion)

Re: Fort Worth Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc. Scholarship Grant for the 2020-2021 Academic Year

Dear Financial Aid Administrator:

The enclosed check represents the proceeds of a scholarship awarded by the Fort Worth Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc. to the Student named above who has informed us that he or she will be attending your institution in the 2020-2021 academic year. These funds are to be deposited in the financial aid/scholarship account for that Student. If the Student does not enroll in your institution by the end of the first semester's enrollment period, please immediately return the funds to the Foundation.

These scholarship funds are not to be used to displace any of the following aid:

- Federal grants and scholarships
- State Sponsored grants and scholarships
- Your institution's need-based or merit-based grants/scholarships
- Other private grants and scholarships
- Work-study

The Fort Worth Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc. scholarship is to be used only for:

- Tuition
- Fees
- Books

If the student does not need the funds for the fall semester, please hold the funds until needed. Should the student withdraw with funds from this scholarship remaining in his/her account, any remaining funds must be returned to the Foundation. Scholarship funds should NOT be paid out to the student unless the funds reimburse the student for books bought for current classes.

If these terms and conditions are not acceptable to your institution, the enclosed funds are to be returned immediately to the Foundation.

Please direct all correspondence to me at the above addresses and telephone number.

Very truly yours,

James A. Rogerson
President

Copy to: (Student)

Scholarship Application

Application Deadline: February 28, 2020

Return application package to Fort Worth Scottish Rite, Physical Address: 1100 Henderson Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76102. **Mailing Address: P. O. Box 1320, Fort Worth, Texas 76101-1320.** Applications must be postmarked or hand delivered to the Scottish Rite office by February 28, 2020.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

Name: _____ Male: ___ Female: ___
(First Name) (Middle Name) (Last Name)

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last 4# of S.S. _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Email address _____ Phone number _____

ACT score _____ SAT score _____ Are you a U.S. citizen or a legal resident? Yes ___ No ___

What will be your field of study or college major? _____

What institution do you intend to attend? _____

Is this a Community College? (A community college is a public institution which awards Associate Degrees such as Tarrant County College) Yes ___ No ___

What is the name of the high school you attend and the city it is located in? _____

When do you anticipate graduating from high school? _____

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Have you ever been charged or convicted of a felony? Yes ___ No ___

How did you learn about our scholarship program?

Please write a personal statement of lifetime goals and discuss how you will incorporate your future education into those goals. (Add additional sheets if needed.)

Describe your employment history, if any:

Describe your extracurricular activities, if any:

Describe your civic and religious activities, if any:

Comment on the Mission of Scottish Rite Masonry which appears on page one of this application package.

List the honors, advance placement, and dual credit courses for which you have received credit, if any:

Do you believe in the inculcation of patriotism, respect for law and order and undying loyalty to the principles of civil liberty exemplified by the Constitution of the United States of America? Yes____
No____

I certify that the information that I have given on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge on the ____ day of _____, 20____.

Signature of Applicant