

VALLEY CENTER FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

First United Methodist Church Valley Center distributes Scholarships in recognition of the contributions by members of this congregation. These awards affirm our church's belief in the potential ability and integrity of our members, and represent the church's effort to help them continue their formal education. Scholarships are awarded based on a variety of criteria, including the applicant's involvement in worship and study opportunities within the First United Methodist Church of Valley Center, participation in other Christian based organizations and/or churches, his or her commitment to the Christian Faith, and academic progress.

Rules governing scholarship awards:

1. Applicant must be a full-time student...12 hours minimum per semester or equivalent. No summer sessions will be funded.
2. Scholarships will be limited to 5 years of undergraduate study at an accredited college, vo-tech school, or other qualifying institution.
3. High School Seniors must be active in some aspect of the church. The committee will discuss with the youth director the student's involvement in youth group program and/or other ministries of the church.
4. Checks are drawn jointly to the student and to the school of choice, and presented prior to the fall semester. If the school year for which payment is made is not completed, the student is responsible for full reimbursement to the committee. (Extenuating circumstances are recognized.)
5. Evaluation criteria for college students applying for scholarships will center on their application form and written statement. The criteria will be based primarily on the applicant's contributions, responsibilities, and participation in the church and community. Personal and professional goals, potential for personal growth, and transcript from the previous semester(s) will also be considered.
6. Completed applications and written statements are to be directed to the Scholarship Ministry Team and received in the church office by email or mail on or before **May 1, 2016**.
7. Please scan and email application, along with supplemental documents to amy@fumcvc.com. If scanning is not available, please mail or hand deliver to the church office.
8. Parents and/or scholarship recipients are expected to help serve at the annual Scholarship Steak Dinner and assist with the annual Church Garage Sale.

APPLICATION FOR FUMCVC SCHOLARSHIP SCHOOL YEAR _____

Your application is due no later than **May 1, 2016**.

<<Please Complete ALL blanks, including GPA and Financial Information>>

Name _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____

Address _____ Phone ____ - ____ - ____

E-mail _____

Parents Names _____

Address _____ Phone ____ - ____ - ____

E-mail _____

Are you a member of the FUMCVC? YES NO If YES, for how long? _____

Do you attend church regularly? YES NO If Not, why? _____

High School Attended _____ Year Grad. _____ Overall GPA _____

College(s) Attended _____

Dates Attended _____

College to be attended this fall _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Admissions Phone ____ - ____ - ____

Major Field(s) of interest: _____

Will you be a full-time student? (12 or more hours) YES NO How many hours will you be taking? _____

When do you expect to graduate? December 201____ May 201____

Estimated college expenses for the year: Tuition \$ _____ Rm & Bd \$ _____ Books \$ _____

SHOULD CIRCUMSTANCES PREVENT MY ENROLLMENT AND/OR ATTENDANCE IN SCHOOL THIS YEAR, I UNDERSTAND I WILL BE REQUIRED TO **REFUND THE AMOUNT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP** TO THE APPROPRIATE SCHOLARSHIP FUND IMMEDIATELY.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

(Signature is required)

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Please note-The following three (3) requests are **REQUIREMENTS** of this scholarship application. If you do not complete this section, your application will not be reviewed.

1. Please list below all church activities in this church in which you have been involved since your FRESHMAN year of high school.

OR

If you have been out of high school for 1 or more years, please list below activities in which you have participated in the church you are now regularly attending and/or list campus Christian activities in which you are involved. Please give the name and address of the church you are now attending.

Church/Organization Name:

Minister/Leader's Name and E-mail Address: _____

Please List Here:

2. Please include your most current transcript (high school or college).

3. Please write an essay of approximately 250 words addressing the following topic.

How has your involvement in the Church and/or Christian-based organizations better prepared you for your future?

<<Please attach your essay to this application>>

Return to: Scholarship Ministry Team
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Church FAX: (316)755-2788

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