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# Gayle S. Joyner Memorial Scholarship



#### DEADLINE: Fourth Friday in <u>February</u>

Applications are available on the web at http://bethanywaterford.org/scholarships/

Completing this scholarship application package enters the student as a candidate for the Gayle S. Joyner Memorial Scholarship.

Gayle S. Joyner, believing education was important, established an endowment to be governed by a board elected by Bethany Church to award scholarships annually.



## Eligibility Requirements & Criteria

- High school graduate, college or university undergraduate or graduate student who is a citizen of the United States and is a resident within the boundaries of Pontiac, Waterford, or West Bloomfield school districts or any qualifying student from Oakland County, Michigan, who is recommended by a Bethany Church member.
- Minimum 2.6 GPA or higher
- Ambition to learn and advance as demonstrated and confirmed by academic achievement
- Character and concern for others as demonstrated by volunteer service to those outside one's immediate family
- True financial need confirmed by an academic counselor, teacher, and/or the careful interview of the applicant as conducted by the Bethany Scholarship Board

#### **APPLICATION PACKAGE REQUIREMENTS**

All documents must be one-sided and paper clipped (no staples). Submit all of the following, completed in their entirety, in the following order:

- 1. A Completed Application Form
- 2. Three Letters of Recommendation signed and dated within the past year

  No more than one page each from the following individuals, who must be non-relatives
  - · Teacher, counselor or school administrator
  - Community member, pastor, coach, youth advisor, volunteer coordinator or employer
  - Peer or friend

Signed and dated letters should highlight the applicant's participation in the community and school. Please comment on community service, volunteer work, school and community contributions, activities, or efforts to help others. Describe the applicant's social skills, motivation to serve and succeed, and potential for leadership. Include specific examples.

#### 3. Personal Essay—High School graduates only

Please describe for the Scholarship Board your goals, aspirations, and anticipated or current major. Include what you hope to contribute to society. Autobiographical information will be helpful. Describe your best personal qualities. If you have encountered obstacles, describe how you overcame them. Limit your typed response to three one-sided pages, 12 point, double-spaced, 8 ½ x 11 white paper.

#### 4. Official Transcript

Enclose a copy of your most current transcript showing a minimum 2.6 GPA.

All application packages become the property of the Bethany Church Gayle S. Joyner Memorial Scholarship Board and will not be returned.

#### **Final Selection:**

- Interviews will be held with the finalists.
- The decision of the Scholarship Board is final.

#### **Payment Schedule:**

- <u>The first half</u> of your scholarship award will be sent to your school by early August.
- The second half of your award will be sent to your school upon receipt
  of your fall semester transcript demonstrating that you successfully
  completed 12 credit hours with a minimum 2.6 GPA.
   Please email transcripts to office@bethanywaterford.org or mail to

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