



2023 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS are available to graduating high school students from Cherokee, Clay or Graham Counties & including Nantahala High School who demonstrate academic strength, leadership, community involvement and financial need. Scholarships are for tuition and/or books, have no cash value and are non-transferable.

CRITERIA for ELEGIBILITY

Applicant must be a US Citizen, a North Carolina resident, and a graduating senior with a 2.85 GPA or above.

Applicant must plan to attend a two- or four-year college, university or community college as a fulltime student beginning Fall of 2023.

This is an academic excellence and need based scholarship. Preference may be given to those with greater financial need.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES CHECKLIST

To be considered, each applicant must submit **ALL** the following:

- **Completed Application**
- **Two letters of recommendation**, One from a faculty member. One from an unrelated adult.
- **High School Transcript and SAT/ACT official report of scores**. If not available explain why.
- **Personal Essay** stating your qualifications, including personal background, leadership, educational and personal goals, special contributions, and volunteer work at school and/or the community and your career interests. (See Essay Section IV)
- **Copy of requested Tax Return** with social security numbers blacked out. ALL sensitive documents will be managed with care and be shredded following the selection process.

This application and the essay are to be completed by the STUDENT. Any submissions deemed to be completed by another person will not be considered for the award.

To be eligible for consideration, applicants must submit a completed application and ALL supporting documents to the Scholarship Committee postmarked no later than **March 1st** and mailed to **MLBOR, 93 Tennessee Street, Murphy, NC 28906** -or- You can drop it off during normal office hours, Monday - Friday, 9:00am - 4:00pm. (No exceptions will be made to the deadline; late applications will not be considered.)

Winning Recipients will be notified by phone. Certificates will be mailed/delivered to the high school for presentation at the school's Senior Awards Ceremony.

Funds are paid directly to the school of choice.

SECTION 1: STUDENT INFORMATION

Personal Information:

First	Middle	Last Name
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Mailing Address (Home or PO Box)	City/State/Zip Code
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Home Phone	Student's Cell Phone
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Student's Email Address

Father's -or- Guardian's Name	Occupation	Place of Employment
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Mother's -or- Guardian's Name	Occupation	Place of Employment
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HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE INFORMATION

High School Name	School Phone #
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This applicant will graduate in the spring this year from high school and plans to attend the following accredited two- or four-year college or university located in the United States, beginning with the upcoming Fall quarter or semester.

School Counselor's Name	Counselor's Signature	Date
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Name Of College or University

Address of the Financial Aid Office (Where the Check Is To Be Sent)	City/State/Zip Code
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Make Check Pay to the Order of: _____
Each school has a different preference

Student Id # (If Assigned)	Financial Aid Office Phone	Main Campus Phone
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SECTION II: STUDENT ACADEMIC INFORMATION

To be completed by student prior to submitting back to counselor for review.

Circle the Answer that applies.

1. Indicate your family's adjusted gross income verified by most recent Federal Income Tax Return
(Please black out social security numbers... ALL personal data will be shredded following selections)

Less than \$25,000	\$25,000 to \$35,000	\$35,000 to \$45,000
\$45,000 to \$55,000	\$55,000 to \$65,000	Greater than \$65,000

2. Indicate the total number of individuals (including parents and dependents) in your household

1 - 3 4 - 5 6 - 7 7 and above

3. How many individuals will be enrolled in college in this upcoming FALL?

1 2 3 4 or more

4. List any other scholarships and financial aid awards and the amounts that are expected.

SECTION III: PERSONAL GOALS

Career Goal _____ Major _____

List your extracurricular activities in school or community, volunteering, honors, awards, recognition:

Attach additional page as necessary

Provide any additional information that may help the committee in assessing your application.

SECTION IV: PERSONAL ESSAY

Complete a typed personal essay stating your qualifications, including personal background, leadership, educational and personal goals, special contributions, and volunteer work at school and in the community and your career interests... why YOU should receive this scholarship. Please NO STAPLES

SECTION V: DECLARATION

I declare that the information reported herein is true, correct and completed by the applicant. I shall provide as requested the additional documentation listed on page 1.

I understand and agree that any suspicion of forgery, incorrect and/or incomplete information, or completion by another party will result in my application being disqualified.

I understand that my completed application along with transcripts, letters of recommendation, tax returns and typed essay must be submitted at the office of the ***Mountain Lakes Board of REALTORS® at 93 Tennessee St, Murphy, NC 28906*** no later than **MARCH 1st, 2023**. If after hours before the March 1st deadline, you may drop application into our locked mailbox. A large manila envelope is recommended. Please NO STAPLED PAGES

Date completed: _____

Student's signature: _____

Parent / Guardian's Signature: _____