

2007 SCHOLARSHIP RULES

ELIGIBILITY: SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE AWARDED TO A SON OR DAUGHTER OF A VSCA MEMBER (ACTIVE OR LIFE). TO BE ELIGIBLE THE PARENT MUST HAVE BEEN A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING FOR THE 2 YEARS PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND ALL STATE & LOCAL DUES SHALL BE PAID THROUGH THE CURRENT YEAR. A LETTER FROM THE STATE DIRECTOR OF THE LOCAL ASSOCIATION MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION, CONFIRMING THE ABOVE.

IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE, PLEASE COMPLETE THE ATTACHED APPLICATION AND SUBMIT IT WITH THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION, TO THE SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN BY: **JULY 1, 2007**

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SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS ARE HELD IN A PERPETUAL FUND ACCOUNT. THE INTEREST FROM THIS FUND, PRIVATE DONATIONS AND OTHER FUNDS CAN BE AWARDED YEARLY. THIS IS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE VIRGINIA STATE CLAIMS ASSOCIATION.

NO MEMBER OF THE VIRGINIA STATE CLAIMS ASSOCIATION SHALL PARTICIPATE IN THE SELECTION OF A SCHOLARSHIP WINNER. THAT RESPONSIBILITY SHALL BE DELEGATED TO JUDGES SELECTED FROM THE ACADEMIC AND EDUCATIONAL FIELD, BY THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE.

ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION. ANY APPLICATION OR OTHER MATERIAL NOT RECEIVED BY JULY 1 WILL BE PENALIZED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE. APPLICATIONS ARE SCORED ON A POINT BASIS. THE APPLICANT WILL LOSE POINTS FOR MISSING OR INCOMPLETE DOCUMENTATION. TO HAVE THE BEST CHANCE AT RECEIVING AN AWARD, BE SURE ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE VIRGINIA STATE CLAIMS ASSOCIATION. THE WINNER(S) OF THE SCHOLARSHIP(S) WILL BE NOTIFIED AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE, SO THEY CAN MAKE FINANCIAL PLANS FOR THE UPCOMING COLLEGE YEAR.

STATE DIRECTOR'S CERTIFICATION

(IF THE DIRECTOR'S CHILD IS AN APPLICANT, THIS FORM MAY BE COMPLETED BY THE TREASURER)

_____ (NAME OF APPLICANT)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT _____ (MEMBER PARENT)

HAS BEEN A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING OF THE _____ ASSOCIATION

FOR TWO (2) OR MORE YEARS PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 1 OF THIS YEAR AND THE MEMBER'S STATE

AND LOCAL DUES ARE CURRENT AND UP TO DATE.

STATE DIRECTOR

VSCA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICANT'S INFORMATION:

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ (*ATTACH COPY OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE)

*PARENT'S OR LEGAL GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

(IF LEGAL GUARDIAN, A COPY OF APPROPRIATE PAPERS MUST BE PROVIDED)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

EMPLOYER & JOB TITLE:

*** PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION ***

1. A PERSONAL LETTER FROM THE APPLICANT EXPLAINING WHY HE OR SHE SHOULD BE SELECTED PLEASE DETAIL SCHOOL & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, DIFFERENTIATING BETWEEN PARTICIPATION AND LEADERSHIP.
2. A SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES ON A SHEET SEPARATE FROM THE LETTER.
3. A CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH OF THE APPLICANT
4. A COPY OF COLLEGE APPLICATION OR ACCEPTANCE LETTER FOR CURRENT YEAR.
5. A COPY OF YOUR OFFICIAL COLLEGE AND HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS.
6. TWO CURRENT LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION FROM FACULTY MEMBERS OF THE COLLEGE OR HIGH SCHOOL WHICH THE APPLICANT HAS MOST RECENTLY ATTENDED.

FOR UPCOMING FRESHMAN:

1. A COPY OF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT, INCLUDING SUBJECTS, COURSES AND GRADES FOR THE 1ST SEMESTER. IF GRADES ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR THE 2ND SEMESTER, AT A MINIMUM, THE COURSES IN PROGRESS AND ANY AVAILABLE GRADES.
2. A COPY OF YOUR SAT SCORES IF NOT INCLUDED IN THE TRANSCRIPT.

FOR COLLEGE UPPER CLASSMEN OR GRADUATE SCHOOL

1. A COPY OF THE APPLICANT'S GRADES AS AN UNDERGRADUATE OR GRADUATE STUDENT FOR ALL YEARS IN COLLEGE.

NOTE: APPLICANTS SHOULD SUBMIT NEW PERSONAL LETTERS AND GET NEW LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION EACH YEAR. ALL DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED SHOULD BE CURRENT AND NOT COPIED FROM PRIOR YEAR'S APPLICATIONS.