



Grand Chapter of Washington Order of the Eastern Star

EASTERN STAR SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Each year the Eastern Star Scholarship Fund Committee of the Grand Chapter of Washington will award scholarships of not less than \$750.00 each. These scholarships are to be used for tuition and books **ONLY** and are available to full-time under students who have completed at least one-fourth of the required course work to receive their degree/certification.

ELIGIBILITY

- You must be a resident of the State of Washington and at least one of the following:
 1. A member of the Order of the Eastern Star in the Grand Jurisdiction of Washington;
 2. A member of the Masonic Lodge in Washington;
 3. The child, legally adopted child, step-child, grandchild, widow, wife, sister or mother of a member of the Order of the Eastern Star or a Mason who's membership is in the State of Washington;
 4. A member in good standing in one of the three Masonic affiliated youth groups in Washington jurisdiction: International Order of DeMolay, International Order of the Job's Daughters, or the International Order of the Rainbow for girls, OR may be a majority member of one of the Orders who has not passed his/her 23rd birthday.
- You must be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student (as defined by the institution you attend) in a recognized state or private college, community college or vocational school.
- You must be maintaining a *minimum 2.00 grade point average* (using the 4.0 system). A vocational or trade school must send a letter verifying grades if a system other than the 4.0 system is used.
- You must have completed at least *one-fourth* of your course work by June of the year that you apply for a scholarship. This may be community college, college, university, or vocational studies. Scholarships are awarded for *undergraduate work only*. It is **NOT** for post-graduate studies.
- You may **NOT** receive a scholarship from this fund in the same year that you are granted the ESTARL Scholarship or the Alexandra Schencking Nursing Scholarship.
- You must reapply for additional scholarships each year as additional scholarships are NOT automatic.

FORM REQUIREMENTS AND CHECKLIST

- _____ A. It is the responsibility of the Scholarship Applicant to complete the entire Scholarship Packet, which **MUST** be received by the Secretary of the Scholarship Committee **no later than no later than April 30th** to be considered for the Eastern Star Scholarship. See second page of this requirements form for the current Secretary's address.
- _____ B. Please use a **typewriter or ball point pen** to ensure that all copies are legible.
- _____ C. Include your **Social Security Number**.
- _____ D. An **Official Transcript**, including the last quarter/semester you attended college, in a sealed envelope and signed by the Registrar must be received by the committee secretary no later than **June 30th**. (There will be a fee charged to you by the school for this.)

- _____ E. Prepare a **resume** of your educational and employment histories as well as church, organizations and community activities.
- _____ F. Include a one page essay (approximately 250 words) stating your understanding of the Order of Eastern Star, the Masonic Lodge, or your Masonic affiliated youth organization, and what way, if any, it may have affected your life. Be sure this document is dated and signed by you.
- _____ G. Three Scholarship Recommendation Forms are included with this application. These should be given to persons who are familiar with your academic achievement, your moral character, your employment experiences, and your organizational and community activities. (The people you choose to write your recommendations should not be relatives, family members or students.)
1. Complete Section 1 of the Scholarship Recommendation Form before giving the form to the three individuals from whom you are requesting recommendations.
 2. The forms must be filled in completely, dated, signed and sealed by the recommending person. To preserve confidentiality, **the person writing the recommendation should give the form, in a sealed envelope, directly to the Scholarship Applicant.** The Scholarship Applicant, will put the sealed recommendation in his/her scholarship packet and when the application is completed, mail the Packet to the **Secretary of the Committee.**
 3. **All three (3)** recommendations must be included in the Scholarship Application Packet when it is sent to the Secretary of the Committee -- **NO LATER THAN THE APRIL 30th DEADLINE!** **It is the Scholarship Applicant's responsibility to get the recommendation from the person writing it.** You may submit more letters, but at least three **must** be included in the Application Packet.
- _____ H. **The Completed Scholarship Packet should contain the following items:**
1. Application
 2. Resume
 3. One page Essay
 4. 3 Sealed Envelopes containing completed Scholarship Recommendations that the applicant has personally received from the persons writing the recommendation.
 5. A Sealed Transcript from the school you have attended to complete the 1/4th of your course work is a requirement. .
 6. The Scholarship Applicant is responsible for having the school send a second transcript, showing current work, to the Secretary of the Scholarship Committee **by June 30th**

This Scholarship Application Packet **MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN APRIL 30TH**. We suggest this packet be sent with a confirmation return that can track your scholarship application if it does not arrive on time.

PLEASE SUBMIT ONLY THE REQUESTED DOCUMENTS. Do NOT include copies of awards, membership cards, newspaper articles, etc.

You will be notified by mail approximately mid-June as to the disposition of your application. If your application is approved, the awarded monies will be sent directly to the college/vocational school by August 15th of the current year. The school will establish a fund upon which you can draw for your educational needs.

Any questions can be directed to any member of the Eastern Star Scholarship Committee or the office of the Grand Secretary, Grand Chapter of Washington, Order of the Eastern Star at (360) 570-9321.

SEND ALL COMPLETED FORMS TO THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMITTEE:

Darlene Wiggins, Secretary
 OES Scholarship Committee
 3102 25th Ave. Ct. SE
 Puyallup, WA 98374

APPLICATION FOR EASTERN STAR SCHOLARSHIP

NAME: _____
Last First Middle Age

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE (_____) _____ (_____) _____
Area Code Home number Area Code Work Number

Name and address of your parents (if you are no longer living at their home and are under the age of 23)

Name and address of where you are employed

I am a member of: The Order of Eastern Star (), The Masonic Lodge (), The International Order of Rainbow for Girls (), The International Order of Job's Daughters (), The Order of Demolay ()

Name of my Chapter, Lodge or Group, etc..

Name City State Zip

My relationship to the Masonic Lodge or the Order of Eastern Star is: _____

Who is a member of: _____
Name of Lodge or Chapter # City State

I am Single _____ Married _____ I have _____ dependents. My spouse's name is _____

I have completed at least one-fourth (1/4) of my required course of study _____ (This is Required) My GPA is: _____
Major field of study is _____

I plan to further my education at _____

Mailing address of Financial Aid Office City State Zip Code

I promise to notify the EASTERN STAR SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE of any change in my school status (Including graduation) occurring before the end of the school year. Initials: _____

I am contributing approximately _____ percent of my education expenses through work. I have received other Scholarships/Grants in the following amounts:

Table with 3 columns: Organization or institution from which money was received, Date received, Amount received. Includes dollar sign and multiple rows for data entry.

I have read the instruction sheet. I have included my GRADE POINT AVERAGE, OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT that has been signed and sealed by the Registrar of my school, a RESUME' of my work and school history, three sealed RECOMMENDATIONS and my STATEMENT describing the significance of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Masonic Lodge, DeMolay, Job's Daughters, or Rainbow for Girls .

Have you applied for the Estarl Scholarship or the Alexandra Schencking Nursing Scholarship in the current year? _____

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20_____

Signature of Applicant

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER IS: _____ E-MAIL _____

For Committee use only: App/rej _____, 2_____, _____, _____, _____, Voucher # _____ Ck# _____ Dated _____, 2_____
Initials of at least 3 committee member

Section 1: To be completed by applicant:

The EASTERN STAR SCHOLARSHIP FUND COMMITTEE has received an application from:

Name of Applicant _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

This applicant desires a scholarship for the purpose of continuing studies at:

Name of University _____ City _____ State _____

Section 2: To be completed by the person writing this recommendation:

In order for the committee to gain further facts relative to the applicant's character and reputation, we would appreciate an immediate reply to the following (All information will be held confidential). Please feel free to use the back of this form for any additional information you would consider helpful.

What is the applicant's reputation for being:

Ambitious _____

Energetic _____

Honorable _____

Studios _____

Would you recommend the committees award a scholarship to this person? _____ Why? _____

Please give any other information about the applicant that you believe would assist the committee in making a decision _____

Signed: _____

Title/Relationship to Applicant _____

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2006

Full Name (Please Print) _____ (Area Code) Telephone Number _____

Street Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. It is greatly appreciated that you have agreed to complete this Recommendation and assist this student who is trying to fulfill their education goals.

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Darlene Wiggins, Secretary
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