

American Baptist Women's Ministries of West Virginia



Scholarship Program Application Packet

**** The amount of scholarships
awarded and the number of recipients
will vary from year to year, depending
on funding availability.**

(Revised 11/3/2018)

SCHOLARSHIP/LOAN PROGRAM

PROGRAM EXPLANATION

- Applications for a scholarship/loan shall be valid for a period of one year and must be made yearly by March 1st.
- Scholarships will not be available for graduate work or part-time studies.
- Announcement of the scholarship recipients, as recommended by the Scholarship/Loan Committee, will be made at the spring board meeting for the approval of the Executive Board of American Baptist Women's Ministries of West Virginia.
- The amount of the annual scholarship/loan shall be approved by the Executive Board and may be awarded for a maximum period of four years. A new application must be submitted each year.
- Fifty percent of the total amount received for a scholarship/loan shall be repaid over a period of four years, interest free, to the scholarship/loan fund of the American Baptist Women's Ministries of West Virginia.
- Recipients of financial aid must sign a promissory note to this effect, which must be co-signed by a parent or guardian and send to the Coordinator of Scholarship/Loan with the application form.
- Scholarship money for each girl is sent directly to the college/university business office at the beginning of the term or semester to be credited to her account.
- Should the beneficiary of a scholarship/loan desire at any time and for any reason to withdraw from school or transfer, she shall give immediate notice of her intention to the Coordinator for Scholarship/Loan.
- All schools chosen for training must be accredited schools.
- In addition to the initial application, recipients should communicate at least once annually with the Coordinator of Scholarship/Loan.
- Unsatisfactory academic achievement of less than a 2.5 grade point average or substantiated improper conduct will result in the disqualification of an applicant the following year.
- If a girl decides to leave the West Virginia Baptist Convention Churches in order to affiliate with another denomination while receiving scholarship money, she shall be required to repay the entire amount of the scholarship/loan within a period of four years.

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

➤ Applicants must:

- a. Be a member of a West Virginia Baptist Convention Church for at least one year prior to her application;
- b. Be an active participant in her church program;
- c. Be a high school graduate;
- d. Submit a transcript of her grades from the last school attended in order to demonstrate scholastic ability and deportment;
- e. Apply directly to the Coordinator of Scholarship/Loan;
- f. Demonstrate her financial need by completing the confidential questions on the application form;
- g. Secure the written endorsement of the pastor of her church, which said endorsement must be received by the Coordinator of Scholarship/Loan no later than March 1st or included in the applicant's application packet;
- h. Submit a letter/essay on a personal reflection of her life;
- i. Secure character reference letters (see application checklist for letter specifics) from two citizens of the community other than relations, which said references must be received by the Coordinator of Scholarship/Loan no later than March 1st or included in the applicant's application packet.

EXPENSES

- When asked to attend specific functions by the Executive Board, Scholarship girls will be reimbursed as designated by the Scholarship Committee.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please print all application packet documents; complete questionnaire forms, attach letters of recommendation (unless they were mailed directly to the Coordinator) and send by United States mail to Coordinator, Jane Mullen (address below). Keep a copy of all documents for your records.

Jane Mullen
P. O. Box 257
Harrisville, WV 26362
304-266-0597 (Cell)
304-643-5993
Ljwm1108@zoominternet.net

Application with accompanying documents must be in the hands of the State Coordinator by March 1st.



SCHOLARSHIP/LOAN APPLICATION

AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMEN'S MINISTRIES OF WV

(Information is confidential and shared with a small committee only)

FULL NAME: _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

PARENTS/GUARDIANS NAMES AND ADDRESSES: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

I PRESENTLY LIVE WITH ___ PARENTS ___ GRANDPARENTS ___ OTHER (SPECIFY) _____

ARE YOU AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF A WV BAPTIST CONVENTION CHURCH? _____ YES _____ NO

CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS: _____

_____ YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP: _____

PASTOR'S NAME: _____ ASSOCIATION: _____

GRADUATE OF _____ HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF _____ (YEAR)

COLLEGE I PLAN TO ATTEND: _____ LOCATION: _____

COLLEGE YEAR: _____ HOW MANY YEARS LEFT: _____

CHOSEN VOCATION: _____ COLLEGE MAJOR: _____

WHERE DO YOU PLAN TO LIVE WHILE IN SCHOOL: _____

DO YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF FINANCIALLY **DEPENDENT** OR **INDEPENDENT** OF YOUR PARENTS:

_____ (Dependent – parents or guardians provide most of your financial support.

Independent – support self in some way such as job, social security benefits, etc.)

EXPLAIN: _____



HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION/FINANCIAL AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMEN'S MINISTRIES OF WV

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NAME OF FATHER OR MALE GUARDIAN _____

Occupation ----- Marital Status -----

NAME OF MOTHER OR FEMALE GUARDIAN _____

Occupation ----- Marital Status:-----

TOTAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME OF BOTH PARENTS _____

UNUSUAL EXPENSES REGARDING FAMILY INCOME (i.e. medical, dental, casualty or theft loss, unusual indebtedness, etc.) _____

DEPENDENTS (NAMES AND AGES) _____

RESOURCES

PARENTS' CONTRIBUTION	\$	_____
YOUR EARNINGS FROM EMPLOYMENT	\$	_____
VETERAN/GI BENEFITS	\$	_____
SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS	\$	_____
CHILD SUPPORT/ALIMONY	\$	_____
OTHER	\$	_____
PERSONAL/STUDENT LOANS	\$	_____
OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS	\$	_____
TOTAL	\$	_____

ESTIMATED ANNUAL COLLEGE EXPENSES

TUITION AND FEES	\$	_____
ROOM AND BOARD	\$	_____
BOOKS	\$	_____
PERSONAL EXPENSES	\$	_____
TRANSPORTATION	\$	_____
TOTAL	\$	_____

I certify that the above information is correct and that I intend to be a full-time student (at least 12 credit hours per semester) for the school year.

Your Signature

Signature of Parent/Guardian

AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMEN'S MINISTRIES OF WV SCHOLARSHIP/LOAN PROMISSORY NOTE



I, _____, the beneficiary of an annual Scholarship/Loan from the American Baptist Women's Ministries of West Virginia, have read the policies governing this fund, answered the questions fully on the application, and hereby agree to repay one-half of the amount received during my years of school.

This amount is to be repaid over a period of four (4) years from the time of graduation or withdrawal from school. This amount is to be interest free and payments made monthly to the State Treasurer of the American Baptist Women's Ministries of West Virginia. Payments should begin six (6) months after graduation or withdrawal from school. Checks are to be made payable to ABWM of WV.

Date: _____

Signature (Applicant) _____

Signature (Parent/Guardian) _____

**AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMEN'S MINISTRIES OF WV
SCHOLARSHIP/LOAN
APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

***** Application packet must be received by
Scholarship/Loan Coordinator by March 1st.**

Application packet must include:

- ___ Completed Application**
- ___ Completed Household Information Form**
- ___ Grade Transcript (for the Two Most Recently Completed Semesters)**
- ___ Signed and Dated Promissory Note**
- ___ Pastor/College Spiritual Letter Endorsement Letter**

Containing:

- a. Church membership verification;**
- b. Level and type of church activities;**
- c. Individual characteristics;**
- d. Scholarship recommendation;**
- e. Any other information that would help us to determine scholarship selection.**

___ Applicant's Personal Reflection of Her Life

**___ Two letters of Character Reference and
Recommendations Including:**

- a. Writer's relationship to the applicant;**
- b. Length of time writer has known applicant;**
- c. Personality traits;**
- d. Ability to handle responsibility;**
- e. Relationships with others;**
- f. Recommendation for scholarship;**
- g. Any other information that would help us to determine scholarship selection.**
- h. Letter must be signed and include position, if applicable, of writer.**

___ Date Application Packet was Mailed: _____