

Valda McWhirter Memorial Scholarship 2017 Scholarship Application

Information

Through the generosity of Mrs. Valda McWhirter of St. George's Episcopal Church in Gatesville, St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Waco is blessed with the opportunity to provide scholarships for several of our parish students. Each McWhirter Scholar will receive a \$1,000 scholarship, renewable for up to 5 academic years (need not be consecutive), provided that the student continues to meet eligibility requirements.

In 2016, the vestry amended the scholarship policy to allow members of St. Alban's who are confirmed and active in the parish to be eligible for a graduate school scholarship of \$1,000.00 for up to three years. All application rules detailed below apply.

Scholarship Eligibility

1. A McWhirter Scholar must have completed high school, or be scheduled to complete high school within 6 months.
2. A McWhirter Scholar must be enrolled full time or accepted at an accredited institution of higher education, to include colleges, universities, junior colleges, community colleges, vocational schools or professional schools. Scholarship funds may be applied to any undergraduate, graduate, vocational, or professional program.
3. A McWhirter Scholar and at least one parent must be confirmed in the Episcopal Church, and must have been members of St. Alban's Episcopal Church for at least one year prior to scholarship application deadline
4. A McWhirter Scholar must have been actively involved in the church life of St. Alban's, either as an acolyte, in the youth group, or in some other manner approved by the Scholarship Committee, prior to the application deadline. A McWhirter Scholar is expected to continue regular attendance at St. Alban's when in Waco.

Application and Selection

1. All applications must be received at the St. Alban's office **by 3:30 p.m. on Monday, May 1st**. No late applications will be considered.
2. Applicants must provide:
 - New Scholarship applicants must provide:
 - Completed Scholarship Application Form.
 - Copy of Acceptance Letter or Proof of Enrollment.
 - A one to two page typed response addressing the questions, "*What experiences have I had at St. Alban's inspiring me to serve?*" And, "*How am I serving God now, and where is God calling me to serve in the future?*"

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- 3. The Scholarship Committee will review all candidates and award McWhirter Scholars on the basis of their written application and involvement in the church life of St. Alban’s.
- 4. McWhirter Scholars will be notified by mail *Friday, May 26th*.
- 5. McWhirter Scholars are selected on an annual basis. Scholarships may be renewed for a total of up to 5 academic years (need not be consecutive), provided that a Scholar completes a new application each year and continues to meet eligibility requirements.

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Name: _____

New Applicant or Renewal

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

High School: _____

Parent(s) Name(s): _____

How have you been involved at your school and in your community? (Athletics, clubs, service etc.)

School you attend or plan to attend: _____ Major: _____

Names of two St. Alban's parishioners, other than your parents, who can attest to your involvement: _____

Applicant's Signature _____

Date: _____

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