Scholarship Application
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The scholarships available are designed to assist persons in their educational advancements. Applicants may seek support for vocational preparation in technical, collegiate, or post-graduate work, may be of any age and must be members of this church.

- There are three separate scholarship funds for which this scholarship application may be used. The qualifications and purposes although similar, are not identical. This form may be used for all funds. Please print or type clearly in black ink.

This application is to be considered for:

- Bidwell Scholarship – Eligibility for this scholarship is limited to two years and you must be under age 27
- Saenger, Frick, McBlair, Lee Fund*
- General Scholarship Fund*

*Awards from scholarship funds will be limited to a total of five (5) years.

Award decisions will be delayed if any required information is missing from your application. Please double check!

1. Please include a **copy of a transcript** of your grades for the past two years of your high school, technical school, college, or university.
2. Name _____
3. Date of birth _____
4. Home address _____
5. Home phone _____ Cell Phone _____
6. Best email address to reach you _____
7. High School attended _____
8. College attended _____
9. Level of college completed _____

Which college(s), universities or technical school(s) are you considering attending next year?

Name of School	Applied?	Accepted?	Fin. Aid applied?

The Scholarship Committee expects that you have applied for financial aid at your school(s) if your application to the church is based on need.

Please list your extracurricular activities and experiences. Attach another page if needed.

- Church
- School
- Community Service
- Work Experience
- Awards, achievements, leadership positions

On a separate page, please compose a convincing essay explaining why you should receive this scholarship. Include an explanation of why you have chosen the schools(s) listed, and your academic and vocational goals**. Please be brief and to the point.** The Committee suggests up to 500 words and remember to proofread.

Estimated expenses for the next academic year.
(Please give figures for the school you plan to attend or if undecided, your first-choice school. Figures may be average costs indicated by the school.)

Tuition:	**$**
Room and Board:	**$**
Books:	**$**
Other (please explain):	**$**
Total:	**$**

Estimated assets - how do you plan to meet these expenses?

Personal savings:	**$**
Parental support:	**$**
Scholarships or grants:	**$**
Student loan:	**$**
Job at school:	**$**
Financial aid package:	**$**
Income from spouse:	**$**
Work study:	**$**
Other - Specify:	**$**
Total:	**$**

Family financial status - a primary concern of the scholarship committee in determining the amount of scholarship aid to be given is financial need. There are ways you can help the committee understand your family's financial situation.

If you have the following information, please include it. Without this information, the committee is limited in their ability to give your application the full and equitable consideration it deserves.

A. A copy of either your Acknowledgment form or Student Aid Report (S.A.R.) from the College Scholarship Service. You would receive this report after submitting the Wisconsin Financial Aid Form (F.A.F.) These forms are available from high school counselors or higher educational institutions / financial aid offices. **OR**

B. A copy of your FAFSA Confirmation Report indicating student need. This is available from high school counselors or higher educational institutions / financial aid offices.

C. If you have not received this information back from the need analysis agency prior to this scholarship application closing date, you may submit a completed copy of the FAFSA with this application.

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THE ABOVE INFORMATION
PLEASE RESPOND TO THE FOLLOWING:

Are there circumstances in your family, which limit the ability of parents to provide financial support?

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It has become our policy to announce the scholarship awards in the local newspaper. If for some reason you wish <u>not</u> to have your name included, should you be an awardee, please notify the church at 752-8716. It is the policy of the First Congregational Church scholarship committee to treat all scholarship applications sensitively and confidentially.

Please double check to see that you have included:

- Transcript of grades
- FAFSA copy or FAFSA confirmation copy stating student need
- Personal statement of qualifications and goals composed concisely in 400-500 words
- Accurate phone numbers (home and your cell) and your email address. Include any that will help us contact you directly if there are questions or missing items in your application.