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**27th Annual Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce Educational Fund
\$1,500 CASH SCHOLARSHIP**

CRITERIA

1. Student must reside in Greene County
2. Student must be a graduating senior in 2017
3. Student must have maintained a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 minimum
4. Student must have applied and been accepted to a College or Technical School of their choice as an incoming Freshman. Applicants will be required to provide a copy of his/her acceptance letter from their selected school.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

DEADLINE: RECEIVED IN CHAMBER OFFICE no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 17th, 2017

No late entries OR April 17th postmarks accepted. All entries will be mailed to the judges on April 17th

The postal service can take several days to process and deliver, so mailing the day before will not ensure that it is received on time.

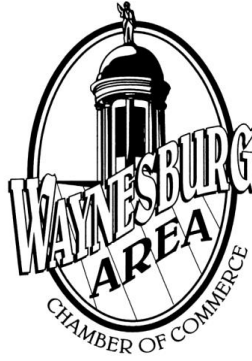
Failure to follow the rules listed below will result in application being disqualified.

1. Submit the completed "Scholarship Application" form.
2. Submit the "Request for Verification of Cumulative Grade Point Average" (minimum of 3.0 required). This is to be completed and signed by a high school guidance counselor. Transcripts are not acceptable as verification.
3. Submit an essay using the following checklist.
 - 500(minimum) 750 (maximum) word essay– include word count at bottom of essay. Content, punctuation, grammar, spelling and style will be considered. Also considered will be word choice, clarity, maturity, along with how well you address the topic and organize your thoughts.
 - Essay **MUST** answer the following: "*How do you plan to use your education to make a difference in your life and your community?*"

- Create a title for your essay. It **MUST** appear at the top of the first page. The topic is not your title.
 - Essay must be typed and double-spaced. Use Times New Roman 12 point font. Completed essay should not be over two pages in length. It must consist of only pages which contain the essay.
 - **DO NOT** use specific names of high schools, colleges, technical schools, churches, parents, hometown, etc. in the essay. For example; do not use “Waynesburg University”, only use “university”.
 - **DO NOT** introduce yourself in the essay or use your name in the essay or put your name on any page of the essay.
 - **DO NOT** submit a title page.
4. Submit a copy of a letter of acceptance from the college or technical school of your choice.
 5. Submit a photo of yourself to be used in the press releases should you be selected as the winner. Photo will be returned. The photograph should be an actual color photograph, not a scanned copy or computer generated copy, no larger than a 4x6 print.

The scholarship recipient will be notified by May 15th, 2017
The Scholarship will be awarded at the General Membership Luncheon, May 24th, 2017
Winning student and their parents will be invited to attend the Luncheon
where the winner will read their essay aloud.

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:
Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce, 143 East High Street, Waynesburg, PA 15370
QUESTIONS MAY BE DIRECTED TO 724-627-5926



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

I, _____ wish to be considered for the annual scholarship from the Waynesburg Area Chamber of Commerce. I have attached all necessary information as requested and give the Scholarship Committee the right to review this information. I understand the selection will be made by an impartial committee and will be based on a sincere desire to better myself and the world in which I live. I further understand that my application will be disqualified if I fail to meet the Scholarship Criteria or fail to follow the Scholarship Application and Essay Instructions.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian's Signature: _____

Applicant's Name: _____ Age: _____

Parent or Guardian's Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

High School: _____ Email Address: _____

College or Technical School Attending: _____

** Please attach a copy of your acceptance letter

Planned Course of Study: _____

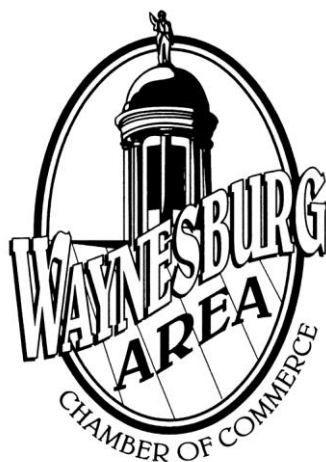
PLEASE SUPPLY THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION **STAPLED** TOGETHER IN THIS ORDER

Do Not place application in a binder

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| 1. This Form | 2. Form Verifying the Grade Point Average | 3. Photo of yourself |
| 4. Essay | 5. Copy of acceptance letter from the school of your choice | |

Failure to provide the items listed above will result in your application being disqualified from competition.

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REQUEST FOR VERIFICATION OF CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE

To be completed by the student:

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____

MEMBER OF THE GRADUATING CLASS OF _____

To be completed by a guidance counselor:

I hereby verify that the above named student currently has a
cumulative grade point average of _____.

Minimum of 3.0 is required

DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATION IF GPA IS LOWER THAN 3.0

Signature of guidance counselor verifying that GPA is 3.0 or higher

Date: _____

Please return this form directly to the student so that it may be submitted
as part of the scholarship application.

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