

Non-Traditional Student

St. John Lutheran Church Scholarship Application

St. John Lutheran Church of Owatonna, MN, in association with the St. John Foundation is pleased to offer academic scholarships to both high school graduates and current college students who are enrolled as a fulltime student in an accredited institution.

Applicants must be a resident of Steele County. However, applicants do NOT need to be members of St. John Lutheran Church. To use this application you must be at least 23 years old and not have been a full-time student within the last 4 years.

Applications must be submitted to the St. John Lutheran Church office (1301 Lincoln Ave. So., Owatonna) no later than Tuesday, **June 12, 2012**. Any application submitted or postmarked later than June 12 will NOT be considered. Applicants are strongly encouraged to read all directions carefully and follow instructions completely. Any questions may be directed to the St. John Lutheran Church office (507-451-7293).

Scholarships will be awarded on Sunday, August 5, 2012 during the worship service at St. John Lutheran Church. Scholarship recipients are expected to be in attendance for this ceremony. However, a written explanation of absence will be accepted.

Please be aware that a student may apply for, and receive, this scholarship more than once. Also, if you do not receive a scholarship this year, you are invited to apply once again next year.

A wallet-sized photograph, for publicity purposes only, should be attached to this application.

All funds are awarded in good faith: should it happen that an award recipient does not complete the school year, it is expected that the funds will be returned to the St. John Church Foundation.

If not legible, applications won't be considered.

PLEASE PRINT

Full Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State & Zip _____

Name(s) of Parent/Guardian/Spouse _____

College/University Name & Address _____

Member of St. John? Yes ___ No ___ Date of birth _____

I hereby affirm that I am a resident of Steele County.

Signature _____ Date _____

Postmark Deadline: June 12, 2012 (No Exceptions)

HIGH SCHOOL DATA

School _____ Number of students in graduating class _____

City, State _____ Graduation Date _____

POST SECONDARY SCHOOL DATA

Please indicate the complete **name of the** school you plan to attend in academic year 2012-2013 or, in order of preference the schools to which you have applied for admission:

School _____ City _____ State _____

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Year in post-secondary program during the 2012-2013 academic year: 1 2 3 4 5 6
(circle one)

Intended course of study _____

Anticipated date of college graduation _____

ACTIVITIES

List church, community, and volunteer activities in which you have been involved during the past four years. Be specific. Indicate the name of the activity, event, organization, committee, etc. Include the dates (year or years of participation), and the total hours you volunteered (not hours per week). There must be a number in the Total Hours column for you to receive credit for that activity. Please do not write word such as "occasionally" or "varied" in the Total Hours column. Estimate hours if necessary. **Limit your response to the space provided. Attachments will not be considered in the judging process.**

Past 4 Years

Activity: church, community, volunteer **Circle ALL applicable years** **Total Hours**

1. _____ **2008-2009.. 2009-2010...2010-2011...2011-2012.. |** _____
2. _____ **2008-2009.. 2009-2010...2010-2011...2011-2012.. |** _____
3. _____ **2008-2009.. 2009-2010...2010-2011...2011-2012.. |** _____
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5. _____ **2008-2009.. 2009-2010...2010-2011...2011-2012.. |** _____
6. _____ **2008-2009.. 2009-2010...2010-2011...2011-2012.. |** _____
7. _____ **2008-2009.. 2009-2010...2010-2011...2011-2012.. |** _____
8. _____ **2008-2009.. 2009-2010...2010-2011...2011-2012.. |** _____

EMPLOYMENT

List employers and very brief job descriptions for paid work experience for **the past four years**.

Give the number of months worked and the hours per week for each job. Do not write the words “occasionally”, “varied”, “as needed”, etc. for time worked. **There must be numbers in the total months and Hours per Week columns for you to receive credit for that work experience.**

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Total Months</u>	<u>Hours per Week</u>
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____

TRANSCRIPT

You must include an official transcript from the last school you attended full-time. (This may be a high school, college or vocational/technical school.)

Note: We cannot accept transcripts printed from websites on the internet!

PLANS AND OBJECTIVES

Write a statement describing your plans as they relate to your future education career objectives and goals. Please write no more than 100 words and limit your response to the space provided. **Do not include attachments.**

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Briefly describe any adverse circumstances from your family or personal life, if there are any, which have negatively affected your achievement in school, work experience, or your level of participation in church and community activities. Note: Not everyone will complete this section. **Do not include attachments.**

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REFERENCE/RECOMMENDATION #1

Applicant's Name _____

To the applicant: You are asked to provide two (2) reference/recommendation letters. Print your name above. Carefully remove this applicant appraisal page and one (1) of the envelopes attached and deliver it to someone who knows you well, but not a relative. Examples would be an employer or coworker.

To the appraiser: You have been asked to write a letter of recommendation in support of this scholarship application. The letter is completely confidential and no one other than those associated with the St. John Scholarship Program will have access to it. Please enclose the letter in the envelope provided and mail it to St. John Lutheran Church. The postmark deadline for this program is June 12, 2012. Failure to return the letter on time will be detrimental to the applicant.

Please include the following information in the letter:

1. Applicant's name
2. How do you know this applicant (relationship to the applicant)?
3. How long have you known the applicant?
4. Your name, title, phone number, date and signature.
5. Please assess EACH of the following attributes to the best of your ability:
 - a. Academic motivation
 - b. Dependability and follow-through
 - c. Independence and decision-making abilities
 - d. Communication skills (speaking and listening)
 - e. Social skills (courtesy, tact)

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REFERENCE/RECOMMENDATION #2

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CERTIFICATION

By submitting this application, I certify that the information is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that as the applicant, it is my sole responsibility to gather and submit all necessary information on or before the June 12, 2012 deadline. The address I have given on this application is my permanent home address, not a temporary school address.

This application becomes the property of St. John Lutheran Church.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Proofread and make a copy of your application for your records before submitting. Send this completed application, an official transcript, and a wallet-sized photograph to:

St. John Lutheran Church

1301 Lincoln Avenue

Owatonna, MN 55060

THIS APPLICATION IS VOID AFTER JUNE 12, 2012