



**C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E.
Board of Trustees
Scholarship Application**

Letter of Instructions

Scholarship Release Date: February 6, 2017

Purpose:

The C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E., has established need based, merit scholarships to promote academic excellence among students in Newport News, Virginia.

Scholarships are to be awarded on a competitive basis to students seeking a post-secondary education who have a good to excellent academic record; strong leadership qualities; and strong involvement in school and community activities and are enrolled in the Newport News Public School system.

Scholarships are geared to provide assistance to those who plan to attend a four year program at an accredited college/university.

Application is due April 3, 2017.

Document is also available on the Scott Center's website: www.scottcenter.org



C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E. Board of Trustees SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

Members of the Newport News Public Schools are eligible for a scholarship if you are planning to attend an institution of higher learning.

Who may apply/criteria: The applicant

1. Must attend one of the high schools in Newport News, Virginia.
2. Must be a prospective 2017 graduate .
3. Must matriculate to an accredited college, university or post secondary school.
4. Must possess a minimum of 2.5 GPA, if applying as a freshman.
5. Must submit a complete application including a 500 word essay.
6. Must present a list of school and community activities.
7. Must submit two (2) letters of recommendation.
8. Must submit an official transcript from your Guidance Counseling Office.

Re-Applications:

Re-applications for scholarships made following the first year in college must be accompanied by a C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E. Scholarship Application and a letter of good standing from the Office of Registrar. Documentation must be received by April 3, 2017 to be considered for additional scholarship funds.

How recipient is chosen:

1. The recipient is selected on the basis of his/her academic or vocational excellence, school and community involvement, letters of recommendation, an essay, and need.
2. The C. Waldo Scott Center Board of Trustees Scholarship Committee will select recipients and alternates. The names will be presented to the Board of Trustees. The decision of the Board of Trustees is final.

Amount of Scholarship:

1. The C. Waldo Scott Center will award scholarships up to one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars. The Scott Center can change the amount of the scholarship and the number of scholarships to be awarded for a particular year, contingent upon available funding.

Application Deadline:

1. The application deadline for the scholarship is April 3, 2017. Applications **must** be received or faxed at the Scott Center on this date by 5:00 p.m. If you mail your application, please do so in a timely manner to ensure delivery by the due date.
2. The names of the applicants recommended for scholarships will be submitted to the C. Waldo Scott Center Board of Trustees at the May 2017 Board meeting for approval.
3. The recipients(s) will be presented to the Board at its June 2017 meeting to be recognized. Only a certificate of award will be presented at this time; the monetary award will be sent to upon confirmation of attendance.

Awarding of Scholarship:

Upon receipt of verification of enrollment of the scholarship recipient from the registrar of an accredited college or university (requested by the recipient); the C. Waldo Scott Center will forward scholarship monies. The Chairperson of the Scholarship Committee will coordinate with the Treasurer to ensure that this is done.

All scholarships are given for **one year only**, contingent upon funds available to the Board of Trustees, with no guarantee of continued funding beyond the first year.

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to determine not to award or limit the number of scholarships awarded.

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Phone #: _____ Email address: _____

Part C-Achievements

List your involvement in extra-curricular activities, community and civic activities, to include activities participated in at the C. Waldo Scott Center, if applicable (attach list).

List any high school or other scholastic accomplishments you have achieved (attach list).

Part D-Essay

Please submit a typed essay with at least 500 words to describe your educational and or career goals and how the financial award will benefit your achievements. Attach your essay to the application. Re-applicants need not re-submit an essay.

Part E-Verifications

Please provide the following information and documents:

Official high school transcript to verify the following:

SAT or ACT Test Scores: Critical Reading _____ Math _____ Total _____

Cumulative GPA _____

Class Rank _____ of _____

Two letters of Recommendation: One from a School Counselor, Teacher or other School Administrator and another from one of the following: Minister, Employer, Civic or Community Leader, or community organization personnel.

Part F-Certification

I certify that the information I have provided above is true:

Signature of Applicant

Date

MAIL TO:
C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E.
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
3100 Wickham Avenue
Newport News, VA 23607