

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

Letter of Instructions

Scholarship Release Date: March 13, 2025

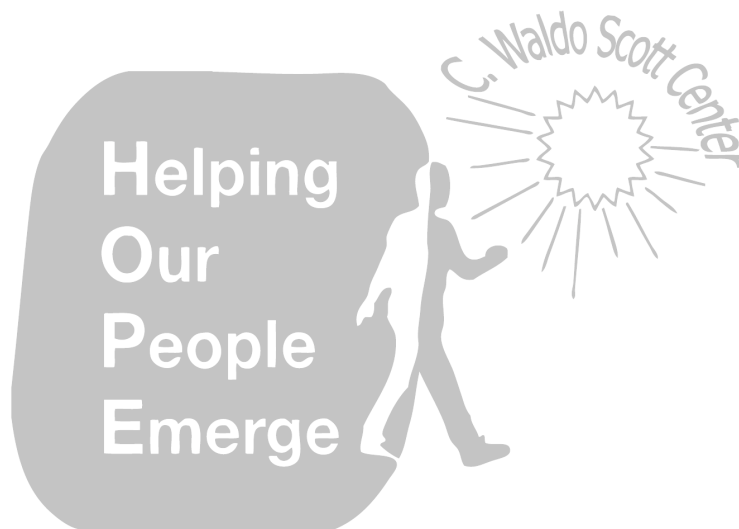
The C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E. has established need based, merit scholarships to promote academic excellence among students in Newport News, Virginia.

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; strong involvement in school and community activities; and are enrolled in the Newport News Public Schools.

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

Application is due May 5, 2025 (by 5:00 p.m. E.S.T.)

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





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SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA**

High school seniors enrolled in the Newport News Public Schools are eligible to apply for the C. Waldo Scott Center Board of Trustees' Scholarship if they are planning to attend an accredited college or university.

Who may apply/criteria: The applicant

1. Must attend one of the high schools in the Newport News Public School system.
2. Must be a prospective June 2025 graduate.
3. Must matriculate to an accredited college or university.
4. Must possess a minimum of 2.5 GPA.
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 their School Counseling Office.

Re-Applications:

Former scholarship recipients seeking to reapply for scholarship funds following the first year in college must submit a letter of application to include an update of their activities (academic and extra-curricular) while in college, explain the continued need for scholarship funds, and discuss future academic and/or career plans.

Such applicants must also submit their most recent official college transcript and a letter of "Good Standing" from their college/university.

How recipient is chosen:

1. The recipient is chosen on the basis of his/her academic or vocational excellence, school and community involvement, letters of recommendation, 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 no later than **May 5, 2025 (by 5:00p.m. E.S.T.)**. If you mail your application, please do so in a timely manner to ensure delivery by the due date. **Mail** to the address of C. Waldo Scott Center, P.O. Box 36, Newport News, VA 23607. **No faxed applications will be accepted.** Applications with supporting documentation may be scanned and emailed to info@scottcenter.org by due date, **use subject line: 2025 Scholarship.**

Awarding of Scholarship:

1. The names of the applicants recommended for scholarships will be submitted to the C. Waldo Scott Center Board of Trustees for approval.
2. Initially, only a certificate of award will be presented to selected applicant(s). Upon receipt of verification of enrollment and attendance from the registrar of an accredited college or university (requested by the recipient), the C. Waldo Scott Center will forward scholarship monies to the recipient.

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 based on the quality of the applications.



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Please TYPE the information on this application form:

Part A-General Information

Last Name First Name MI

(Mailing Address) Street City State Zip Code

Date of Birth: Phone #:

Email address:

Name of high school and city:

College(s) to which you have applied:

Have you been accepted for admission to a college? Yes No

If yes, name of college(s)

Name of college you plan to attend:

Part B-Residency Information

Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes No

Are you a resident of the Commonwealth of Virginia? Yes No

If yes, how many years have you lived in Virginia:

Name of Parent or Guardian (1):

(Mailing Address) Street City State Zip Code

Place of Employment:

Job Title:

Annual Income: _____

Phone Number: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian (2):

(Mailing Address, if different) Street City State Zip Code

Place of Employment: _____

Job Title: _____

Annual Income: _____

Phone Number: _____

How many persons are residing in your household? _____ How many are enrolled in college? _____

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 career goals and how the financial award will benefit your achievements. Attach your essay to the application.

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

FORWARD COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

**C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E.
ATTN: Scholarship Committee, @2308 Roanoke Avenue, Newport News, VA 23607
mailing address: P.O. Box 36, Newport News, VA 23607**