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Douglas J Gilchrist Memorial Scholarship Application

Applicant Information

Name: _____ Date: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____ Phone _____
Street address

_____ Email _____
City State Zip Code

Date of Birth _____ SS # _____ Date joined church _____

Secondary contact _____

High School Attended _____ Graduation date _____ GPA _____

Institution you will be attending _____

(Circle one). Full Time Part Time.

(Circle one) Live on campus Live off campus Commute. On line

Intended field of study _____

School class or year of study for upcoming academic year _____

Anticipated graduation date _____ Most recent GPA (college) _____

Tell us about yourself by answering the following questions.

What extra-curricular school activities have you participated in? Include any offices or leadership positions held.

What church activities have you participated in? What has been most meaningful to you at Westminster?

What community activities have you participated in?

FUTURE PLANS: Tell us about yourself, your educational goals, and how your faith journey relates to these goals. Use a separate sheet if needed.

FINANCIAL DATA FOR ONE YEAR

EXPENSES: Annual Cost of Attendance

Tuition	\$
Housing (dorm or rent)	\$
Meal Plan or food costs	\$
Books and course materials	\$
Supplies and incidentals	\$
Travel allowance	\$
Other	\$
TOTAL	\$ _____

INCOME: Grants, scholarships, and financial assistance

<u>Grants</u>	
College Aid	\$
PELL	\$
TAP	\$
Empire	\$
Other	\$

Scholarships: Private scholarships (please list)

_____	\$
_____	\$

<u>Loans</u>	
Stafford	\$
Perkins	\$
Other	\$

<u>Work Study</u> _____	\$
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Expected self or family contribution	\$
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I have read and understand the Guidelines of Westminster Presbyterian Church for the Douglas J. Gilchrist Memorial Scholarship. I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Approved by Session Sept 2023

Douglas J. Gilchrist Memorial Fund Scholarship Guidelines

The Gilchrist Memorial Scholarship was established in 1991 by a bequest of Douglas J. Gilchrist (pertinent text below). It is administered by Westminster Presbyterian Church of Auburn, New York.

SEVENTH: I give and bequeath the residue of my estate as follows:

H. Fourteen percent (14%) thereof to WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, of Auburn, New York, to be held by the Church as a separate part of the Gilchrist Memorial Fund set forth in Article FIFTH above. The annual net income, and the net income only, of this separate part of the fund shall be expended and used by the church in paying the college expenses, in whole or in part, of members of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. The Session of the church shall be responsible to determine the recipients and the amounts to be paid on their behalf. In making the determinations, the character, scholastic ability and financial need of the potential recipients shall be considered.

Eligibility:

Any person is eligible who is a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church and has been active in the life and work of the church for at least one year prior to making application. Applicants should have a high school diploma or equivalent or be in the process of obtaining one. They should be planning to attend an accredited institution of higher learning. Applicants will be judged on: church and community service, financial need, character, and scholarship ability.

General Guidelines:

*Ordinarily, disbursements will be made directly to institutions. The scholarship award can be used for tuition, room and board, and necessary expenses such as book, supplies, fees, equipment and other costs associated with completing educational requirements (Refer to the definition of "Cost of Attendance" in the Higher Education Act Section 472). When disbursement to an institution is not feasible, the situation will be considered individually, and other arrangements are possible but not guaranteed.

*First-time applications should include two letters of reference from a teacher(s), professors(s), or employer(s), who preferably should be acquainted with the area the student intends to major in.

*All information on the application will be kept strictly confidential.

*Returning applicant must maintain a 2.2 GPA or equivalent to be eligible for this scholarship. The committee reserves the right to request transcripts.

*Students must reapply each year. Scholarships will not be automatically renewed.

*A personal initial interview with the Scholarship Committee will be required for first-time applicants.

*Disbursements will be made according to the availability of funds. Applicants should be aware that awards may vary from year to year. Awards will be granted to any one full-time student a maximum of five times.

*Applications are due to the church office on or before April 1st of the year of the award.

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