

Douglas J. Gilchrist Memorial Scholarship

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

Eligibility: Any person is eligible who has been an active member of Westminster Presbyterian Church for one year prior to making this 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, scholarship ability. The primary focus is the graduating high school student and those students continuing in their 4-5 year degree program. Adult students returning for higher education will be considered on a “NEEDS BASIS ONLY”

General Guidelines:

- *Youth applications given first priority
- *Disbursements will be made directly to institutions. To clarify, the scholarship award can be used for tuition, room and board.
- *Applications should include two letters of reference from a teacher(s), professors(s), or employer preferably should be acquainted with the area the student intends to major in. (First year only).
- *All information on the application will be kept strictly confidential.
- *A 2.2 GPA or equivalent must be maintained to be eligible for this scholarship. The committee reserves the right to request transcripts.
- *Students should reapply each year. Scholarships will not be automatically renewed.
- *A personal initial interview with the Scholarship Committee will be required for first year 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 student a maximum of five times.
- *Applications due to church office April 1st.