Applicants will be contacted by the committee chairperson and asked to meet with the committee for a short interview.

Award recipients will be announced by May 31.

In typical years, two Salem Scholarships and two or three Salem Educational grants may be conferred. However, the number of awards each year will depend upon the decision of the Scholarship Committee regarding the appropriateness of the candidates.

Scholarship applicants requiring additional information may contact Scholarship Committee Chairman, Ed Orser, directly at (410) 566-2230, or via email at orser@umbc.edu.



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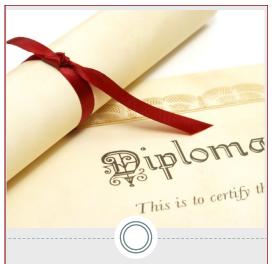
SALEM SCHOLARSHIP AND EDUCATIONAL GRANTS





Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church Salen Scholarship Committee

"Reverence for the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom." ~Psalms 111:10



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For over 20 years Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church has helped support the educational pursuits of its young members through Salem Scholarships.

Funds to support the program come from interest on the scholarship fund investments and contributions received from the congregation.

WHAT ARE THE REWARDS?

The program includes two types of awards conferred annually:

I Salem Scholarships

Recipients of Salem Scholarships must demonstrate exception merit on all award criteria. The award especially recognizes outstanding academic achievement and exemplary evidence of Christian character, citizenship and service to others. Salem Scholarships are in the amount of \$750 per year, renewable for up to four years.

II Salem Educational Grants

Salem Educational Grants are awarded in instances where applicants establish special merit on the basis of one or more of the selection criteria. Educational grants are in the amount of \$400 - \$600, renewable for up to four years.

WHAT ARE THE TERMS OF THE AWARDS?

It is expected that recipients will qualify for renewal for the length of their program, and awards are renewable for up to four years. Recipients are required to demonstrate satisfactory progress toward completion of the proposed program in a brief annual renewal application. Awards are specifically designed for tuition purposes, and payment will be made directly to the educational institution on behalf of the recipient. The program must be fully accredited.

WHO MAY APPLY?

- Graduating high school seniors planning to attend an undergraduate college or university receive priority, but consideration will also be given to those:
- Proposing to attend vocational or trade school
- Seeking to return to post-secondary education after an interruption in their schooling
- Enrolled in graduate or professional post-BA/BS programs

WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA FOR RECEIVING AWARDS?

Applicants <u>must</u> be communing members of Salem Lutheran Church.

Additional criteria include:

- Academic achievement (excellence in effort and performance)
- Christian character, service, and citizenship (Including participation and/or leadership in activities in church, school and community)
- Educational and career goals
- ♦ Financial need*
- * Financial need will be taken into account along with the other aforementioned factors, although it is not the primary consideration. Candidates are encouraged to state any special circumstances regarding financial need in their application.

WHAT IS THE APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS?

Application forms are available on the Salem website at www.salem-catonsville.org, or may be requested from the Salem church office.

A complete application to the Scholarship Committee should include:

- Completed application form
- An official transcript of grades from the most recent four-year period of schooling
- Two confidential letters of recommendation: one from a teacher, extra curricular activity advisor, or employer; and one from a Salem member other than an immediate family member.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF COMPLETED APPLICATION MATERIALS IS APRIL 15