Fary Memorial Scholarship Fund

P.O. Box 485, Tappahannock, VA 22560

Requirements

- 1. Current high school senior, U.S. citizen, and resident for at least the previous two years in any of the following counties, listed by district:
 - a. NORTHERN DISTRICT: Essex, King George, Westmoreland, Lancaster, Northumberland and Richmond
 - b. CENTRAL DISTRICT: Caroline, King and Queen, Gloucester, Mathews and Middlesex
 - c. SOUTHERN DISTRICT: Charles City, James City–Stonehouse Magisterial District only, King William, New Kent and York–Bruton Magisterial District only
- 2. Cumulative high school GPA of 3.5 or higher AND combined SAT score (Critical Reading and Math) of 1100 or higher or ACT Composite score of 24 or higher.

How to Apply

- 1. Apply using our Online Application. Application deadline is Monday, January 16, 2017 at 11:59 PM.
- 2. The following items are additional components of the application that must be sent by the applicant to the Fary Memorial Scholarship Fund at the above address in ONE envelope via U.S. Mail and must be **postmarked on or before January 16, 2017**:
- a <u>Recommendations</u>: Three (3) recommendations are required and must include either (i) two letters from current or former high school academic instructors <u>OR</u> (ii) one letter from a high school guidance counselor, appointed advisor or principal and one letter from a current of former high school academic instructor. The remaining recommendation may be from any other person of the applicant's choice. Download and print three (3) copies of the recommendation form here: <u>Recommendation Form.</u>
- b. <u>FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR)</u>: Demonstrated financial need is an important component of the Fary Memorial Scholarship selection process. All applicants must submit to the Scholarship Fund a copy of their FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR) showing their Excepted Family Contribution (EFC). Submit your FAFSA application online at www.fafsa.gov well in advance of the scholarship application deadline to allow sufficient time to receive your Student Aid Report (SAR).
 - c. <u>Test Scores</u>: SAT and/or ACT score reports. Unofficial score reports are acceptable.
- d. <u>Parent Statement (OPTIONAL)</u>: If a parent/legal guardian of an applicant wishes to submit a statement of unusual or extraordinary circumstances for the scholarship committee(s) to consider, a form is available for download here: <u>Parent Statement.</u>
- 3. Transcript: All applicants must request that their guidance counselor send a School Counselor Report and high school transcript, including first trimester/semester senior year grades directly to the Fary Memorial Scholarship Fund. Download and print the School Counselor Report form here: School Counselor Report. The envelope containing the report and transcript must be sent directly from the counselor and must be postmarked on or before February 21, 2017.

IT IS SOLELY THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT TO COMPLETE AND SUBMIT BY THE ABOVE DEADLINES ALL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE APPLICATION.

Interviews

In early March, the District Committees will select applicants for interviews that will take place on Sunday, March 26, 2017. If you are invited for a district interview, you must be available for an interview on that date. If you are unavailable, you will be disqualified from consideration for a scholarship.

Following the District level interviews, the committees will recommend that the most competitive candidates be invited to interview with the Finalist Committee on Sunday, April 23, 2017. If you are invited for a finalist interview, you must be available for an interview on that date. If you are unavailable, you will be disqualified from consideration for a scholarship. Finalist candidates must also send to the Scholarship Fund by April 15 the acceptance letters from the colleges the candidates are considering, together with all institutional and outside financial aid/scholarship awards from all sources. Finalist candidates will be notified of the decision of the Finalist Committee before May 1, 2017.