



NEW YORK EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

132 East 43rd Street, Suite 107, New York, New York 10017

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COLLEGE FRESHMAN

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for the scholarship, you must:

- ❖ Be enrolled in a degree program at an accredited two-year or four-year college or university
- ❖ Be a first-time freshman with 12 or more credits

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

To apply for the scholarship, you must:

NYEFS \$500 – \$1,500 Scholarship

Have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent) and enrolled in a degree program at a two-year or four-year college or university

SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicants are evaluated on the following criteria:

- ❖ Academic record
- ❖ Financial need (for educational purposes)
- ❖ Two letters of recommendation (current or within the last three months)

APPLICATION INSTRUCTION

1. **Application** (3 pages) – We strongly encourage you to type your application as it makes it easier for our selection committee to read. Answer all questions.
2. **Transcript** – Provide an **official** transcript from your current institution. Transcript must include a cumulative GPA and the scale of the GPA ranking. If your transcript does not show a cumulative GPA, request that your advisor confirm the information on a college letterhead with his or her signature.
3. **Financial Information** – The following documents are essential to the processing of your application.
 - ❖ If you applied for federal financial aid, include a copy of Student Aid Report (SAR).
Note: Be sure to apply early for federal student aid at www.fafsa.ed.gov.
 - ❖ *If you have not applied for federal financial aid*, then include a copy of your 1040, 1040 EZ, or 1040A federal tax return and W-2 form(s). Also include copies of your parents' (and spouse's, if married) federal income tax return(s) and W-2 form(s).
4. **Letters of Recommendation** (2) – This must be from a teacher, an advisor, an employer, or a community leader. **This cannot be from a relative.** The letter must be current (within the last three months). The letter must be confidential. Ask your recommender to return the recommendation letter to you in a sealed envelope with his or her signature written across the seal.
The letter should address all following topics:
 - ❖ Academic record (if from teacher or advisor)
 - ❖ Academic plans and career goals (if from teacher or advisor)
 - ❖ Personal strengths, including motivation, leadership, and commitment
 - ❖ Community service and extracurricular activities



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Postmark: April 30

Application Checklist

Enclose all of the following items in your application package. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Please **remove all staples** from application materials, use paper clips if necessary.

- Application** – pages 1-3, fully completed, legible, and signed (attach resume of awards and volunteer or community work). If available, enclose a copy of your acceptance letter.
- Transcript** – must be official and include cumulative GPA. See *Application Instruction* for details.
- Financial Information** – copy of SAR **or** copies of your and your parents' (and spouse's, if married) federal income tax return(s) and W-2 form(s). See *Application Instruction* for details.
- Letters of Recommendation** – two copies, See *Application Instruction* for details.
- Mail Application** – Mail completed and signed application (including any attachments), transcript, financial documents, and letters of recommendation to:

Mail your application package by **Postmark Deadline** to:

**New York Education Foundation
Scholarship
132 East 43rd Street
Suite 107
New York, New York 10017**

Required Certification and Release (Applicant must read and sign below to be eligible.)

Applicant Certification and Release of Information

- I certify that all information on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.
- I certify that I meet all eligibility requirements as specified in this application and the accompanying instructions.
- I understand that I may only receive one scholarship administered by NYEF per academic year. I understand that application materials become the property of NYEF and will not be returned.
- I hereby authorize NYEF to utilize information about and from my application and my likeness for public relations purposes, publicity, or other scholarship opportunities.

Applicant's Signature _____

Date