

**NEWINGTON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION COVER LETTER**

January 2009

Dear Applicant,

Listed below are some of the scholarship criteria, which should help you with your scholarship application process.

PLEASE NOTE APPLICATIONS ARE DUE MAY 5TH.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. Applicant must have been a Newington resident for three consecutive years prior to the date of high school graduation. Exceptional applications of other Newington residents may be considered by the selection committee.
2. Scholarships will only be awarded to students who attend a school of higher learning, which has a curriculum of at least two years beyond high school level.
3. Two letters of reference are required to be attached to this application, which attest to the candidate's suitability for the scholarship. Additionally a transcript of grades should be attached. Effective 2007, a federal financial aid application (FAFSA) is no longer required.
4. The selection committee may award the entire sum available, or a portion of it, to the same candidate for up to four consecutive years.

AWARDS PROCESS:

1. Once awarded, student shall be entitled to use scholarship awarded for a period of one year, unless sooner disqualified.
2. Awards will be announced at graduation or shortly thereafter, but the scholarship check will only be sent to the recipient after completion of the first semester at the institution. Check will be made out to the institution of higher learning and the recipient for use towards the following semester of study.
3. When you are finished filling out this application and attaching your letters of reference, drop off, or send to: **SAU #50 Office, Attn: Newington Family Scholarship, 48 Post Road, Greenland, NH 03840**. Also, please write: "Newington Family Scholarship Application Enclosed" on the outside of the envelope. If there is a question on the application, which you can not find the answer to after reading all the directions, call the SAU 50 office, at 422-9572, and ask for the name and phone number of the school board member assigned to the Newington Family Scholarship Selection Committee.

Good Luck!

NEWINGTON SCHOOL BOARD

Application for a Scholarship from
The Newington Families Scholarship Fund

Name of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Please list dates of residence in Newington: _____

Grades attended at Newington Public School (elementary) _____

Junior High School (school name & grades attended) _____

High School (name & grades attended) _____

Year of High School Graduation: _____

It is a prerequisite to this application that you must have lived in the Town of Newington for at least three consecutive years prior to the date of your high school graduation.

I hereby make application for a Scholarship from the Newington Families Scholarship Fund for the purpose of assisting me in meeting my expenses in attending (*please list Class and Institution of Higher Learning*):

Class: _____ Institution of Higher Learning _____

For the year _____ to _____, which commences the month of _____ and ends the month of _____, 2_____.

Student's Statement

1. Date and location of birth: _____
2. Name and address of parents/guardians: _____
3. Please describe any elements of special need:
4. If parents are not living, state briefly present means of support:
5. How much have you saved toward your education: _____. Is this the result of your own labor or is it from other sources?

6. Are you working at the present time? _____
 - a. If not, why not?

 - b. If so, state name of employer and your job description:

7. List name and location of high school, preparatory school, or other institution of higher learning last attended by you:

8. What, if any, scholarship financial aid has been assured to you?

9. State any physical or other handicaps you may have:

10. Please include a brief letter describing your future plans and expectations.

11. The Newington Families Scholarship Fund, in memory of Margaret Pickering, requires that all candidates must excel in the following characteristics:
 - a. Financial need.
 - b. Character, with particular emphasis on honesty and integrity.
 - c. Scholarship, keeping in mind that the utmost in scholarship is of no avail if character, including honesty and integrity; and a sound degree of maturity are not present; and to that end commend to the Committee those applicants who, while they may be average in this department, show a superior potential for future development.
 - d. Maturity, by that meaning a sufficient ripeness of judgment in personal and educational matters as will indicate that the applicant has an understanding not only of his/her own rights, but the rights of others and his/her duties and responsibilities to home, church, community and state and nation."

With these points in mind, I submit the attached letters of reference (two or more required) which attest to my suitability as a candidate for a scholarship. (Letters of reference should not be from relatives.)

Name: _____ Address: _____

Name: _____ Address: _____

Name: _____ Address: _____

Parent/guardian signature

Student signature

SCHOLARSHIP SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS:

This Application, a transcript of your grades, at least two letters of reference (referred to in Item 11), and a letter of recommendation from a school official, are to be submitted to: SAU #50 Office, Attn: Newington Family Scholarship, 48 Post Road, Greenland, NH 03840.

If you are not now in high school, please include a current transcript of your grades from the school you are now attending, or last attended, together with two letters of reference with your application. Your complete packet may be sent to: SAU #50 Office, Attn: Newington Family Scholarship, 48 Post Road, Greenland, NH 03840.

All applications should be submitted in time to be reviewed by the Newington Families Scholarship Committee **on or before May 5** in the year of application. Those who have held scholarships from the Fund must renew their application each year.

If you need additional information, consult your school guidance office or college financial aid office.

**NEWINGTON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICANT'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Name: _____

Estimated expense for college next year: \$ _____

Amount saved for your college expenses: \$ _____

How earned? _____

To what extent can your family help you? \$ _____

Combined parents/guardian income (include both your mother and father or guardians):

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Below \$ 25,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000 - \$100,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 25,000 - \$50,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Above \$100,000 |

Please list assets (i.e. savings, trust fund, property other than primary residence, etc.)

Total number of dependents in household: _____

List family members who will be paying tuition and fees at a post-secondary school and attending at least half time during the next school year, including applicant:

FAFSA filed? Yes / No

Date filed: _____

If you did NOT file, please explain why.

Parent/guardian signature

Student signature