



**Application Submission:** December 6, 2021 - March 7, 2022, at 6:00 pm (EST)

### **Guidelines**

To be eligible for the Southern Maryland Community Enrichment Center Scholarship, applicants must meet all requirements listed in the following sections. Please note, incomplete or late applications will not be considered for evaluation. Applications must have authentic original signatures; electronic signatures will not be accepted. Application submission will only be accepted via online submission and through the mail, faxed applications will not be considered for evaluation.

### **Eligibility**

- Must be a resident of Charles County and a high school senior
- Must possess a cumulative overall grade point average (G.P.A.) of 2.50 or above
- Must be a prospective high school graduate in the year of application
- Must be accepted into an accredited academic institute

### **Requirement**

- Use funds for educational expenses (books, laptop, tuition, etc.)
- Two letters of recommendation (at least one letter of recommendation must be from a current/former teacher, school counselor, principal who knows the academic capabilities of the applicant). **Include the two (2) letters of recommendation in sealed envelopes with your completed application.**
- Show proof of acceptance into an accredited academic institute to receive funds
- An official high school transcript
- Every blank in the scholarship application must be completed. This includes a complete address and zip code. If a particular portion of the application does not apply to the applicant, N/A should be placed on the blank.
- Write an essay on the following topic below.
- **Why is a college education important to completing my lifetime goals?**
- Each essay response should be submitted as a Word document no longer than 500 words, double-spaced and typed in 12-point font with one-inch margins. Font type should be Times New Roman and Normal margins. Your essay will be evaluated for clarity of expression, use of proper grammar, and punctuation, and the extent to which you address the question below.

### **Policies/Procedures**

- The committee will evaluate each applicant based on the guidelines adopted.
- Scholarship recipients will be notified via email on May 7, 2021.

**Completed applications and supporting materials are to be submitted via mail to 7845 Port Tobacco Road, Port Tobacco, MD 20677. No electronic or drop off applications will be accepted. When submitting your completed application and supporting materials via mail, the package must be postmarked by March 3, 2022.**

Got questions? Contact Southern Maryland Community Enrichment Center at 240-776-5401 or info@somcec.org | 7845 Port Tobacco Road | Port Tobacco, MD 20677



**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

<b>Full Name:</b>				<b>Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):</b>	
	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>M.I.</i>		
<b>Address:</b>					
	<i>Street Address</i>			<i>Apartment/Unit #</i>	
	<i>City</i>			<i>State</i>	<i>ZIP Code</i>
<b>Phone:</b>	(    )	<b>Email Address:</b>			

**EDUCATION**

<b>High School or College/University:</b>					
<b>Address:</b>					
	<i>Street Address</i>				
	<i>City</i>			<i>State</i>	<i>ZIP Code</i>
<b>Phone:</b>	(    )	<b>Expected Date of Graduation (mm/dd/yyyy):</b>			

**SCHOOL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

**PLEASE NOTE:** List extracurricular activities that you have been personally involved in during grades 9-12 or in college.

Name of Activity	Years of Participation	Office(s) Held
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		

**AWARDS/SPECIAL HONORS/DISTINCTIONS (attach a sheet with additional awards if needed)**

**PLEASE NOTE:** List up to five major awards, honors, or distinctions that you received during grades 9-12 or in college.

Award/Honor/Distinction	Description/Basis for Award	Year(s) Received
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

**APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION AND PERMISSION TO RELEASE INFORMATION**

- I hereby certify that all information submitted on this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
- I understand that submitting nonfactual information will automatically disqualify me from consideration for all scholarships.

**Applicant's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_