

Barry Brandt Memorial Scholarship
Educational Assistance Application
First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem
2023-24

Guidelines for awarding scholarships:

1. Applicant must have applied to an accredited degree-granting institution of higher learning with the intent to earn a degree as stated.
2. Scholarships are based on the following criteria:
 - a. Academic standing
 - b. Demonstrated financial need
 - c. Possible informal interview with Committee
3. If the candidate is not a member of First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, someone who is closely affiliated with this church must submit (directly to the committee) a letter of recommendation for the candidate.

Applications are considered on a rolling basis.

Send the completed application and support materials to this address. If you have any questions, please contact:

Belle Marks
c/o First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem
2344 Center Street
Bethlehem PA 18017
info@fpc-bethlehem.org

3 page application follows

INSTRUCTIONS

- A. Only completed applications will be considered. Do not leave blank spaces. If a particular question is not applicable to your circumstances, enter "N/A."
- B. Applications must be accompanied by copies of (1) W2 Forms (most recent) and the Federal Income Tax Form 1040 or 1040A for the most recent calendar year (First Page Only) for **EACH** parent and the student, if such forms were issued/prepared, and (2) the student's current official transcript.

Please Print/Type:

Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

High School _____ E-mail: _____

College/Junior College: _____

Graduate School: _____

Church Membership: _____

Age: _____ Unmarried: _____ Married: _____ Retired: _____

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Address of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) (if different from yours):

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Occupation of Parent #1: _____

Parent #1's Employer: _____

Street: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Occupation of Parent #2: _____

Parent #2's Employer: _____

Street: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

List other **dependent** members of your household (excluding applicant)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>School or Work Status</u>	<u>Relationship to Applicant</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

List any unusual family expenses (e.g., medical, college tuition payments)

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Type</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

List jobs you have held for pay:

<u>Job</u>	<u>From (month/year)</u>	<u>To (month/year)</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

List your significant extra-curricular activities:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

List your significant community activities:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Colleges or universities to which you are applying in order of preference:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Anticipated College Major: _____ or _____

Anticipated Career Plans:

ESSAY: Write a **brief (a well-developed essay of no more than one typed page) statement of faith (what you believe), how your faith affects and your life and how you act as a contributing member of the larger community.** Attach to form.

CERTIFICATION OF NEED

We, the undersigned, hereby state that financial aid is essential to enable the applicant to attend college. The questions contained in the preceding pages of this application have been answered truthfully and accurately to the best of our knowledge.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature(s) of parents /guardian _____ Date _____

_____ Date _____

Information on this form is confidential between the applicant and the Scholarship Committee. All applications and financial information are shredded after the completion of the process.

If you are selected as a finalist, the committee will request detailed financial information.

As you prepare to submit your scholarship application, please be sure that all requested forms are attached. Use the following list, placing an "x" in the appropriate spaces.

- ___ Copies of parents' most recent W2 forms are attached
- ___ Copy of parents' page 1 (one) of most recent Federal Income Tax Form
- ___ Parents did not file a federal tax return for the past year
- ___ Copies of student's most recent W2 forms are attached
- ___ Copy of Student's page 1 (one) of most recent Federal Income Tax Form
- ___ Student did not file a federal tax return for most recent year
- ___ Official copy of the student's current transcript is attached
- ___ Parents/guardians and student have signed application
- ___ Essay
- ___ **Letter of recommendation** from person affiliated with First Presbyterian Church, Bethlehem
- ___ Upon acceptance at your institution, provide a copy of tuition bill.