



**Service League of Cherokee County
Scholarship Application
2013-14 School Year**

The Service League of Cherokee County will award eight **\$1,000 need-based scholarships** to qualified graduating seniors currently attending a Cherokee County School District high school. Students interested in pursuing one of these scholarships must complete this application and return it to the address listed below. In addition to the application, each applicant must submit:

- College Acceptance Letter (copy)
- Official High School Transcript
- SAT or ACT Scores (copy)
- Two Reference Letters: These letters may be from current or previous teachers who are familiar with the applicant's dedication and determination as a student and/or from one teacher and one adult with ongoing and current knowledge of the applicant's qualifications. **Reference letters may be mailed directly to the Scholarship Chairperson c/o Service League of Cherokee County, P.O. Box 1132, Canton, GA 30169.** Reference letters must be received before your application will be considered.

Completed applications and materials must be submitted to the Service League of Cherokee County by the close of business on March 29, 2013.

A committee of representatives from the Service League of Cherokee County will review all applications. Representatives from the Service League of Cherokee County will recognize the students chosen to receive the scholarships at each high school's awards ceremony in the Spring.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____

What high school do you attend? _____

Father's Name: _____ Father's Occupation: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Mother's Occupation: _____

Total Family Yearly Income: _____ Does your family own or rent your home? _____

Number of Children in Household: _____ # of college-age children (excluding applicant) _____

Other family financial factors to be considered? _____

Are you employed? _____ If yes, please list your employer: _____

Are you eligible for the HOPE Scholarship: _____

Have you applied for other scholarships or grants? _____

List any scholarships or grants already awarded: _____

Please list up to three postsecondary institutions you would like to attend, whether you have applied for admissions and, if so, whether you have been accepted.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

What do you expect will be your declared major? _____

By signing this application you are certifying that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of your knowledge, as of this date. Additionally you agree to allow your application materials, including academic transcript, grade point average and program of study information to be shared with scholarship committee members, if requested. Further, you are providing the scholarship sponsor with permission to use your name and likeness for promotional purposes associated with this scholarship competition. Please be aware, this is a competitive process and not all applicants will receive a scholarship award and no guarantees in that regard are stated or implied. Funds awarded through this process are to be used for postsecondary education-related expenses only and will be distributed directly to the postsecondary institution.* Any and all tax liabilities associated with this award are the sole responsibility of the recipient.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

* Scholarship award monies will be paid directly to the postsecondary institution on a semester basis in the amount of \$500.00 for each of two semesters (\$1,000 total) as long as the student is enrolled full time and is in good academic and behavioral standing. Award recipients will be required to forward a copy of their academic transcript to the Scholarship Chairperson at the end of the first semester and will forfeit the remainder of the scholarship if their GPA falls below 2.0, if they do not remain in good standing behaviorally or if they are not enrolled for more than one semester or quarter.

Service League of Cherokee County Scholarship Application Checklist

The following checklist is for your use only to assure a complete scholarship application and should *not* be sent with your application. Please check off each item as it is completed...

- Form is complete and accurate.** Please use your full legal name, complete address (including P. O. Box, apartment number, etc.) to avoid confusion when matching references with scholarship application.
- An alternate phone number (cell, work, etc.) is included.**
- All inquiries within the application are answered completely, honestly and within the parameters given.** Some questions require multiple responses within tight restraints in an effort to force applicants to be concise yet forthright.
- Reference letters have been completed and submitted to the appropriate persons for completion.** Contact your references early and provide them with ample time to complete and submit the letters. *Please be aware, the committee will not act as the intermediary between you and your references.* Please follow-up with each reference regularly until such time as all letters have been submitted.
- All information is legible.** Please consider requesting an electronic (Word or Adobe form document) version of the application from serviceleaguescholarship@gmail.com so you may type directly onto the form and print the final version.
- Student and Parent/Legal Guardian Signatures are included.** Please ensure that both you and your parent/legal guardian have signed and dates the last page of the application.
- Application is submitted to the Service League of Cherokee County on or before March 29, 2013.** Applications that are incomplete, illegible, late or that otherwise do not follow directions may not be considered for funding.

Applications and reference letters must be sent to the following address:

**Service League of Cherokee County
Attn: Scholarship Chairperson
P.O. Box 1132
Canton, GA 30169**

Service League of Cherokee County Scholarship Application Timeline

The following is a brief timeline of the scholarship application and decision-making process, for your information only. Please be aware that unforeseen events may alter this timeline but every effort will be made to assure timely communication.

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| February 1, 2013 | Flyers, application and reference forms sent to Cherokee County School District High Schools for distribution to counselors, teachers and students. |
| February 1 – March 29 | Students complete scholarship application and reference forms. |
| February – March | Applications matched with appropriate reference forms. If an application is missing one or more reference forms, the student is called and provided an opportunity to contact the reference(s). |
| March 29, 2013 | <u>Application deadline</u> |
| April 15, 2013 | Committee recommends applicants as recipients of the scholarship awards. |
| April 15, 2013 | Students are notified of committee decisions. |
| April – May | Scholarship recipients are recognized at appropriate high school's annual awards ceremony. |
| August 2013 | Award checks will be mailed from the Service League of Cherokee County directly to the applicable postsecondary institution to be credited to the scholarship recipient's account. |