

**CHRISTA McAULIFFE SCHOLARSHIP FUND
OF YORK COUNTY**

PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS

I. Eligibility

Any York County student who is accepted for the freshman year by an accredited college or university and who is enrolled as a full-time student in an approved program leading toward elementary or secondary teaching certification in Pennsylvania is eligible.

II. Qualifications

A. Good Scholastic Standing

1. SAT Scores
2. Rank in Class

B. Good Character

C. School/Community Activities which demonstrate an interest in the Teaching Profession, i.e.:

1. Camp Counselor
2. Youth Work
3. Tutoring
4. Volunteer Work

D. Financial Need

1. Total family income
2. Number of dependents
3. Number of children in college
4. Unusual financial burdens
5. Estimated cost of college selected
6. Likelihood of other financial assistance
7. Amount of money saved

III. Selection Process

- A. By February 15th the chairman of the Scholarship Committee sends letters and applications to the guidance counselors in York County high schools to**

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introduce the scholarship program. Students are encouraged to apply through their guidance counselor(s).

- B. By mid-March applications should be mailed to the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee. (See application for specific deadline)
- C. After April 1st Committee Members review all applications and, through the process of elimination based on qualifications described above, select five to seven applicants to be interviewed by the Committee.
- D. In late April or early May, the Scholarship Committee interviews applicants and selects one to three students to recommend to the Executive Committee as scholarship recipients.

1. Interview Procedure

- a. The Chairman assigns dates and times to applicants to meet with the Committee as a whole.
- b. A guide sheet is provided to assist interviewers.
- c. Following each interview, each committee member rates the applicant on the score sheet provided. Elements are graded from one (1) to (5). Five (5) is the highest score. Space has been provided for additional comments.
- d. Following interviews, the Scholarship Committee decides on one to three applicants to recommend. If selected applicants do not accept the scholarship, alternate applicants will be recommended by the Committee.
- e. If committee members are not in agreement in rating the applicants, the following procedure can be used:
 - (1) Each member ranks applicants according to this preference beginning with one (1) and ending with the total number interviewed.
 - (2) The Chairman totals points for each applicant. The applicants receiving the lowest number of points receive the scholarship.
- f. Criteria used in making selection:
 - (1) Personal appearance

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- (2) Personality
- (3) Maturity
- (4) Adaptability
- (5) Initiative
- (6) Need
- (7) Realistic goals
- (8) Responsibility
- (9) Understanding nature
- (10) Potential as a teacher

2. Correspondence

- a. The Chairman of the Scholarship Committee sends a letter to each applicant who was not selected for an interview.
- b. The Chairman of the Scholarship Committee sends a letter to each applicant interviewed explaining the outcome of the interviews and naming of scholarship winners.
- c. The Chairman of the Scholarship Committee contacts the recipient to request photographs for publicity.

- E. The Christa McAuliffe Scholarship Fund trustees shall determine the number and amount of scholarships to be awarded each year based upon interest accrued.

IV. Scholarship Agreements

A. Copies

1. Chairman prepares four (4) copies for the signatures of the recipient, parent or guardian, President of the Christa McAuliffe Scholarship Fund, and the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee.
2. Copies are distributed as follows:
 - a. Original – Treasurer
 - b. 1 copy – Recipient
 - c. 1 copy – President
 - d. 1 copy – Chairman, Scholarship Committee

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B. Agreements

- 1. The Christa McAuliffe Scholarship Fund agrees to grant a scholarship gift between \$1,000 and \$3,000 provided that the recipient of said scholarship gift has been accepted at an accredited college or university and has enrolled in an approved program leading toward elementary or secondary teaching certification in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.**
- 2. The scholarship award will be made payable to the institution the student(s) will be attending.**
- 3. The recipient agrees to maintain grades and conduct acceptable to obtaining a degree during the first year. Further, at the conclusion of the first year of study, the recipient agrees to report back to the Scholarship Committee on his/her experiences during the past academic year.**
- 4. The recipient agrees that, at the conclusion of the teaching accreditation program, a teaching position will be secured. Should the recipient decide not to enter the teaching profession, the scholarship grant shall be viewed as a loan and subject to repayment to the Christa McAuliffe Scholarship Fund.**

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Deadline for Mailing
Applications: 3/16/12

APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP
Grants from \$1,000 to \$3,000 available

FAMILY

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Street _____ City/Town _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) _____

Living with: both parents? _____ or Father? _____ or Mother? _____ Parents divorced? _____ or Separated? _____

Father disabled? _____ Father deceased? _____ Mother disabled? _____ Mother deceased? _____

Father's Occupation _____ Employer _____

Mother's Occupation _____ Employer _____

Brothers at home, ages _____ No. in college _____ Where? _____ On scholarship? _____

Sisters at home, ages _____ No. in college _____ Where? _____ On scholarship? _____

HIGH SCHOOL

Name of High School _____ Name of Guidance Counselor _____

Best subjects _____

Extracurricular Activities _____

Honors & Awards _____

SAT Scores: Critical Reading _____ Math _____ Writing _____ Date taken ____ / ____ / ____

High School Grade Point Average _____ Class Rank _____ / _____ (Ex.: 8/168 = Top 5% of class)
_____ % (Ex: 60/168 = 36% of class)

PERSONAL

Do your parents want you to attend college? _____ Why? _____

Do you expect to earn a baccalaureate degree? _____ Do you plan to attend graduate school? _____

What are your hobbies? _____

COLLEGE

Colleges applied to: 1st choice _____ Accepted? _____ Rejected? _____

2nd choice _____ Accepted? _____ Rejected? _____

Course of Study _____ Degree Desired _____

FINANCIAL

Total Gross Income (before deductions) of Parents or Guardians \$ _____

Total Gross Income (before deductions) of Father? _____ Total Gross Income (before deductions) of Mother? _____

How many in family (including all adults) are dependent on this income? _____

Does your family own or rent home? _____ Monthly Mortgage Payment? _____ Monthly Rent Payment? _____

Have there been any recent unusual expenses? _____ If yes, please attach an explanation.

Estimated annual expense at college you plan to attend:

Tuition \$ _____ Room & Board \$ _____ Other \$ _____ TOTAL \$ _____

How do you plan to finance your college education?

Yearly aid your parents will provide \$ _____

Amount you have personally saved \$ _____

Other Financial Resources (relatives, friends, etc.) \$ _____

How will you make up additional money needed? _____

Have you already earned money? _____ How? _____

Where are you planning to work this summer? _____

Where have you applied for other scholarship aid? _____

How much scholarship aid have you received, and from where? _____

TERMS OF CHRISTA McAULIFFE SCHOLARSHIP

It is my understanding that the grant is a gift provided I have been accepted at an accredited college or university and have enrolled as a full-time student in an approved program leading toward elementary or secondary teaching certification in Pennsylvania. It is also my understanding that, in addition to these forms of application, I may be called to appear before the Scholarship Committee at its appointed time for a personal interview.

Date _____ Signature _____
Applicant

Date _____ Signature _____
Applicant's Parent or Guardian

With this application, please enclose:

1. A transcript of your high school grades
2. SAT Scores
3. A personal letter of application which includes an essay as to why you want to enter the teaching profession, along with information detailing your experiences with children.
4. Letters of recommendation (one from each category)
 - a. Teacher
 - b. Family Friend / Mentor
 - c. Counselor, Minister, Employer, Advisor (4-H, Scouting, etc.)