



**Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort
Officers' Spouses' Club
Post Office Box 9119
Beaufort, South Carolina 29904**

2016 MCAS BEAUFORT OSC SCHOLARSHIPS

Dear Student,

The members of the Officers' Spouses Club at Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort are pleased that you are applying for one of our merit-based scholarships. Each applicant's scholastic achievement, character, school and community service, extra-curricular activities, and plans for using his degree will be considered in the selection process.

MCAS Beaufort OSC will award \$5,000 in scholarships this year. Each recipient will receive a minimum of \$1,000.

Complete the attached application fully and legibly to be considered for a MCAS Beaufort OSC scholarship. Please type the forms if possible.

Your completed scholarship package should be postmarked no later than **March 30th, 2016**. Scholarship packages postmarked after March 30th, 2016, will not be considered. Mail the completed package to:

Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort
Officers' Spouses' Club
Attn: Scholarship Committee
Post Office Box 9119
Beaufort, South Carolina 29904

Applicants will receive notification of the committee's decision on or before April 20th, 2016. To ensure that your application is given the full consideration it deserves, please follow the procedures and requirements very carefully.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Catie Babcock at mcasbeaufortoscscscholarships@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Catie Babcock
OSC Scholarship Chairperson

MCAS BEAUFORT OSC SCHOLARSHIP

MCAS Beaufort Officers' Spouses Club is pleased to sponsor scholarships for students who are pursuing **an undergraduate degree, associate degree, or technical diploma**. These students will be selected to receive an award by a **blind vote** based on the following policies, qualifications, requirements, and procedures.

POLICY

- A. These are **tuition scholarships only**. Any applicant who accepts a full scholarship at any college, university, or technical school is not eligible to receive an OSC scholarship. Also, an applicant who accepts an appointment to any of the military service academies or a fully subsidized ROTC or NROTC program is ineligible for an OSC scholarship. Applicants receiving any such awards should notify this Committee immediately.
- B. In determining the recipients, the Committee will consider the applicant's scholastic achievement, character, school and community service, extra-curricular activities, and plans for using his degree. MCAS Beaufort OSC does not discriminate or make determinations based on race, color, religion, gender, disability, or national origin.

ELIGIBILITY

- A. Dependents of Active Duty military members currently stationed at MCAS Beaufort
- B. Dependents of Active Duty military members stationed at MCAS Beaufort in the last four years whose dependents still reside in Beaufort County
- C. Dependents of retired or deceased military members who currently reside in Beaufort County AND whose sponsor was stationed at MCAS Beaufort at some point in their military career
- D. Prior recipients of MCAS Beaufort OSC Continuing Education Scholarships are ineligible to receive the MCAS Beaufort OSC Continuing Education Scholarship again (You may only win the Continuing Education category one time.)

QUALIFICATIONS

- A. Continuing Education Applicants: Current college students must have maintained a 2.5 GPA or higher
- B. 2016 Graduating High School Senior Applicants: Must be ranked in the top 50% of high school class
- C. Scholarships will be awarded in April 2016. However, an acceptance letter from the higher education institution of the applicant's choice must be submitted prior to the distribution of any funds
- D. Recipient must agree to use the award solely for tuition during the school year following the award

REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must submit the following by the deadline of March 30th, 2016.

- A. Tuition scholarship application
- B. Activities list
- C. Non-official Transcript of grades including adviser / counselor's notation and signature
- D. Two (2) letters of recommendation, preferably one (1) from a teacher and one (1) character reference from an adult (other than relatives) who has observed the applicant in a role of responsibility. For example: a pastor, coach, or employer
- E. Essay question response

PROCEDURES

- A. All eligible applications postmarked on or before March 30th, 2016, will be considered. The applications are sorted and compiled by the Scholarship Screening Committee and then presented to the Scholarship Voting Committee for a blind vote based on the aforementioned qualifications. The Voting Committee will rate the applications and choose the recipients based on their ranking.
- B. There is one (1) essay question attached to this application. Please address the question according to the instructions provided. There is no right or wrong answer — rather, the quality of the content will be evaluated.
- C. Names of all applicants will be kept strictly confidential during the voting process. The Scholarship Chair is not a member of the Voting Committee.
- D. Recipients will be notified of the committee's decision on or before April 20th, 2016.
- E. At the beginning of the recipient's next semester of continued education, the actual check for the scholarship will be sent to the institution chosen by the recipient with a letter explaining administration of funds.
- F. If the recipient accepts a scholarship but becomes unable to complete the first full semester of higher education, the institution will be asked to return the balance of any scholarship funds remaining.
- G. If the recipient becomes unable to accept a scholarship, the next ranked recipient will be selected and notified.

**MCAS BEAUFORT OSC
TUITION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2016**

Applicant Personal Data:

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____

Military Sponsor's Name: _____

Complete Current Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Eligibility: You **must** meet one of the following criteria. Please check the one that applies to you.

- ☐ I am a dependent of an active duty military member currently stationed at MCAS Beaufort.
- ☐ I am a dependent of an active duty military member stationed at MCAS Beaufort in the last four years and I reside in Beaufort County.
- ☐ I am the dependent of a retired or deceased military member who was stationed at MCAS Beaufort at some point in his / her military career and I reside in Beaufort County.

******* List dates of Military Sponsor's Tour of Duty and Unit at MCAS Beaufort: *******

Applicant Category: Please check the category that applies to you.

- ☐ **High School Senior** — I am an eligible military dependent graduating high school in 2016.
- ☐ **Continuing Education** — I am an eligible military dependent pursuing another degree — who graduated from high school prior to 2016 — and have **NOT** previously been awarded a MCAS Beaufort OSC Continuing Education Scholarship.

Are you applying for any other OSC Scholarships?

TUITION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2016 CONTINUED:

Short answer questions (please limit each response to the space provided):

1) What is your ultimate educational goal?

2) What are your professional / career goals?

An advisor / counselor's notation and signature are included with a copy of my transcripts, which will be submitted on or before March 30th, 2016. I hereby certify that the information given in this application is true and accurate, to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature _____

**MCAS BEAUFORT OSC
TUITION SCHOLARSHIP ACTIVITIES LIST**

Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI _____

Please include activities from the past 2-4 years. If you recently moved to Beaufort, please include activities from previous schools or residences.

HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED
(School and / or Community)

Honor or Award / Grade (Year)

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
(Include offices held, club memberships, athletic participation, etc.)

Activity / Position / Grade (Year)

TUITION SCHOLARSHIP ACTIVITIES LIST CONTINUED:

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

(Include community service activities, community athletic organizations, civic participation, etc.)

Activity / Position / Grade (Year)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

(All work experience for the past four (4) years)

Place of Employment / Position / Dates of Employment

OTHER ACTIVITIES, AWARDS, ACCOLADES NOT COVERED ABOVE

**MCAS BEAUFORT OSC
TUITION SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY QUESTION**

Please answer the essay question in 250-500 words, typed, and double- spaced.

Applicant essay will be evaluated based on the quality of the content — including correct grammar and punctuation. There is no right or wrong answer to the essay question.

Gun control is a hotly discussed topic both among politicians and American citizens because of recent tragic events. **What is your opinion on armed resource officers, teachers, and/or other staff in schools and on campuses?**

FINAL CHECKLIST

Use this checklist to ensure all required documentation is included with your application package.

- ☐ This checklist
- ☐ Scholarship Application two (2) pages
- ☐ Activities List two (2) pages
- ☐ Non-official transcript of grades including
Advisor / Counselor's notation and signature
- ☐ Two (2) letters of recommendation
- ☐ Response to essay question
- ☐ All applicants **MUST** have a current Uniformed
Services ID Card / DEERS card to be eligible to
receive a scholarship. ID cards will be checked and
verified prior to awarding the student a scholarship.