

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION FORM 2015

First Presbyterian College Scholarships are available for qualifying undergraduate college students through funding provided by:

- **The Henrietta Grigg Lewis Scholarship Award**

Mrs. G. Curtis Lewis, Jr. has established a fund with the United Presbyterian Foundation to offer scholarship aid to deserving students who are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Lockport, NY.

- **The Memorial Scholarship Award**
- **Gary Koukal Memorial Award**
- **Ruth Marotta Memorial Scholarship**

Please remember:

- 1) Student must be an active member of First Presbyterian Church, Lockport NY
- 2) Student must be attending accredited college or university
- 3) Student is eligible for scholarships for up to four years of undergraduate education.
- 4) Awards will be based on multiple factors, including but not limited to
 - a) Participation in church, school and community activities
 - b) Genuine commitment to higher education
 - c) High school or college academic record
- 5) Awards are made on an annual basis, with full applications required each year. Special consideration will be given to past recipients for up to four years of undergraduate college to assure continuation of studies to graduation.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST – Please ensure each of the items below is included with your application form:

- First Presbyterian application, completed 100% (pages 3-5 of this package)
- High school or college transcript
- Parent/guardian statement
- Two letters of reference:
 - High school guidance counselor OR college professor
 - Community member or employer (non-relative) who is familiar with your work habits and/or your contributions to the community
- Essay as directed on page 5 of this form
- Copy of letter of acceptance for college to be attended in the fall (graduating seniors/entering freshmen only)

Questions? Contact Kimberly Kohl at krohring@buffalo.edu or 716 946-4741

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL ITEMS ARE INCLUDED BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION TO THE CHURCH. PLEASE ALLOW ENOUGH TIME FOR YOUR LETTERS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REQUESTING FROM YOUR REFERENCES.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

- 1) Complete the application form available at <http://1stpreslockport.org/>, print and obtain required signatures
- 2) Include a copy of your high school (graduating senior) or college (freshman-junior) transcript(s)
- 3) For graduating HS senior/entering freshman: Include a copy of the letter of acceptance from the college you will attend
- 4) Include the essay as directed on page 5 of this form Obtain two letters of reference; these may be included with your application package or mailed directly to the committee at the address on the reference form:
 - a. One (1) from a high school guidance counselor (freshman) OR college professor AND
 - b. One (1) from a community member or employer (non-relative) who is familiar with your school work and/or your contributions and efforts in various organizations.
- 5) Submit the full package in a sealed envelope to First Presbyterian Church, Lockport, attn. Scholarship Committee
- 6) **The deadline for submitting ALL of the above information to the First Presbyterian Church Scholarship Committee is Thursday April 30, 2015.**
- 7) No allowances will be made for late submissions or missing parts

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Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial		
<i>Permanent/Home Address:</i>				
Number	Street	City	State	ZIP
<i>Mailing Address (if different)</i>				
Number	Street	City	State	ZIP
Home Telephone:		Cell:		
Email:				
<i>For current high school seniors: PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT WITH THIS APPLICATION</i>				
High school now attending				
HS Guidance Counselor:				
<i>For current college freshman through junior: PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS WITH THIS APPLICATION</i>				
College currently attending:				
Address:				
Advisor:				
Current year in college:		Grade point average:		
<i>ALL: College which you plan to attend for academic year 2015-2016 (if different than above):</i>				
Name of college:				
Address:				
College major selected:				
Class you will be in beginning in August 2015:				
	Freshman <input type="checkbox"/>	Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/>	Junior <input type="checkbox"/>	Senior <input type="checkbox"/>

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PLEASE LIST OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU HAVE APPLIED:

Scholarship Name	\$ Awarded	Did not receive	Have not yet heard
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

CHURCH ACTIVITY LISTING

Please check the activities you have participated in or are currently participating in. In the space at the right, indicate what years you participated and briefly describe what you did. You may use a separate sheet if you need additional space.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Sunday School	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Youth Group(s) (FOY, Sr. High, Interfaith, Montreat, Triennium)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Church Officer (Deacon, Elder)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Church Committees	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Volunteer Activities (Maine Work Camp, other volunteer or mission activities)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Church Music (choirs, special music for worship services)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other church activities	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Attendance in Worship	<input type="radio"/> Weekly <input type="radio"/> Monthly <input type="radio"/> Occasionally <input type="radio"/> Other

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SCHOLARSHIP ESSAYS

On a separate sheet, in 300-350 words, complete an essay in response to the appropriate level below. Please submit the essay in typed format, using font size 12.

- A. If you will be a FRESHMAN: describe how your faith has affected your teen years, how the church has contributed to your growth and how it could be more meaningful for you.
- B. If you will be a SOPHOMORE: Please describe the role the church has played in your life to this point and how you expect your faith will contribute to your next three years of college.
- C. If you will be a JUNIOR: Please describe what church leadership roles you think may be in your future and if/how your college experiences have added to preparation for these roles.
- D. If you will be a SENIOR: Please describe what Biblical figure, other than Jesus, you greatly admire or who has inspired you. Please explain why.

STUDENT STATEMENT

I, _____, request consideration of scholarship assistance for my college studies, and certify that the information included in the application is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Student signature

Date

PARENT / GUARDIAN STATEMENT

I _____, parent/guardian of _____ approve of this First Presbyterian Scholarship award Application.

Signature

Date

REFERENCES:

1) Name: _____ Position: _____

Address: _____

2) Name: _____ Position: _____

Address: _____

Please deliver a copy of the following form to each of your references and include the form with your reference letters.

Please provide stamped, addressed envelopes for your references to ensure proper delivery to the scholarship committee. BE SURE TO REQUEST THE REFERENCE WELL IN ADVANCE OF THE APRIL 30TH DEADLINE, TO ENSURE YOUR REQUEST HAS TIME TO BE COMPLETED.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

_____ has applied for a First Presbyterian Scholarship award and has listed you as a reference.

Please complete this form, and submit along with a single page letter of recommendation to the address below **before April 25, 2015.**

First Presbyterian Church
Scholarship Selection Committee
21 Church Street
Lockport, NY 14094

Your name:

Your title:

- 1) How long have you known the applicant?
- 2) In what capacity have you known the applicant?
- 3) Has the applicant any characteristics that you feel with interfere with his/her success in college? If yes, please explain:

Yes	No
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- 4) Please attach a letter of recommendation for the candidate, assessing the student's personal and academic qualities. We are particularly interested in evidence of integrity, maturity, independence, values and those things about which the student is particularly enthusiastic. Please tell us about any special talent or quality the student possesses, as well as any strengths or challenges.