

**Grace United Methodist Church
Mansfield Scholarship Ministry
Application and Guidelines**

**Return Application and Essay no later than
February 2, 2025, Spring Semester**

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Grace United Methodist Church Mansfield Scholarship Guidelines

I. PURPOSE

The Mansfield Scholarship Ministry focuses on assisting Grace United Methodist Church members by providing monetary support to encourage and educate capable young people, so they may become productive assets to the church, community, and world.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Applicants must be Grace United Methodist Church members who are actively involved and participating in worship services, Bible Study, various ministries, and activities of the church.
- B. This scholarship is not based on academic achievement. It is meant to encourage and assist recent high school graduates. The applicant must apply within three (3) years of high school graduation.
- C. Eligible applicants must be enrolled for a minimum of nine (9) credit hours per semester/quarter in an undergraduate program in an accredited college or university.
- D. The scholarship is not available to applicants who are enrolled in a non-degree trade, vocational, or technical schools.

III. AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Each approved applicant will receive a monetary award based on the amount of money in the line item of the church's budget, and the amount donated through "free will offerings." The scholarships will be awarded in two payments, one in October for the first semester, and one in March for the second semester. Each recipient will receive an equal amount per semester.

IV. REQUIREMENTS

- A. Applicants must apply or re-apply each year.
- B. Applicants must provide official enrollment documentation for each semester in October and/or March of each academic school year.
- C. This shall be for not more than a four (4) year period.
- D. Recipients who temporarily withdraw from their academic program may re-apply for the scholarship within two semesters or one year.

V. HOW TO APPLY AND DEADLINE

- A. Return the Application Form and Essay question from the designated contact person, Le'Ontyne Buggs (240) 997-6568. (leontynebuggs64@gmail.com)
- B. Return the essay and application no later than February 2, 2025, Spring Semester.

VI. ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION

- A. All approved applications must submit documentation verifying their college enrollment. This documentation must be submitted to the Grace United Methodist Mansfield Scholarship committee no later than October 14, 2024 for the Fall Semester, and March 2, 2025 for the Spring Semester. **NOTE: Enrollment verification should not be submitted prior to the end of the add and drop period at the school.)**
- B. Acceptance forms of verification are listed below:
 - 1. A letter from the college/university registrar's office on the institution's letterhead/stationery.
 - 2. Enrollment verification documentation should be sent directly from the registrar's office with the appropriate registrar's signature. This documentation may be emailed to Elizabeth Fultz (tuulue@aol.com). **(NOTE: Enrollment verification documentation will not be accepted from any clearing houses or student website accounts without prior approval from the Mansfield Ministry committee.)**

VII. EVALUATION PROCESS

The Grace Mansfield Scholarship Ministry members will evaluate each student's application and essay.