

Fuquay Lodge #258 2017 Fuquay High School Masonic Scholarship

The Fuquay Masonic Lodge, located at 338 South Main Street, Fuquay Varina, NC will be awarding a scholarship to an eligible graduating high school senior of Fuquay High School. The initial Scholarship is for \$1000.00. Following awards will depend upon the size of investment income available from a growing Scholarship Endowment Fund and academic performance.

The Scholarship is designed to assist graduating seniors in pursuing a post-secondary education in any state at any accredited institution which provides two and four year college programs or vocational training. The scholarship may be used for any bona fide school related expenses such as tuition, fees, and books.

Applicants need not have a Masonic connection, nor do race, creed, religion, color, sex, income, class, or national origin have any bearing on the selection process. Applicants will note that none of these issues even appear on the application form. Recipients are selected after completing a comprehensive written application and, if necessary, an in-depth interview.

A broad based criterion is used in the selection process. The principle criterion is service to school and community with special emphasis on leadership roles in that area. The Fuquay Masonic Lodge is looking to those student(s) who exhibit the greatest potential to not only be of service to their communities in the future, but to also be leaders in those communities. An applicant's academic record, communication skills and leadership development potential are also carefully considered as is an evaluation of the applicant by a school official.

From all applications received, the Scholarship Selection Committee will select a number of finalists who **may** be asked to appear before the Committee for a personal interview. Upon completion of the interviews, the Committee will then select the winner of the scholarship.

Fuquay High School seniors who feel they meet the criteria for eligibility and selection are invited to submit applications. These applications may be obtained through the guidance department of the school and must be postmarked **no later than March 6, 2017** for the application and all supporting materials in order to be considered by the Committee. The award will be made by May 5, 2017 or possibly sooner. All applicants will be notified by regular mail of the Committee's decision.

Questions regarding the applications and the scholarship program as well as completed application should be directed to the:

Fuquay Masonic Lodge Scholarship Committee
Fuquay Lodge #258
PO Box 132
Fuquay Varina, NC 27526

(attach or forward a current transcript of your credits by March 6, 2015)

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If this information is not received, the application will be considered incomplete and will not be processed.

3. **Personal Resume:** You must complete this section in your own handwriting. Write about yourself, your home, family, interests, and your future educational or vocational plans in a way which will give the Committee the best written picture of you as an individual. Do not include or repeat information requested in other sections of this application.

4. **School Activities:** List those high school activities in which you have participated. After each activity indicate the grade(s) in which you participated by using the symbols 9, 10, 11, or 12. Then list any leadership position you may have held in the activity and the grade level (9, 10, 11, 12) in which the position was held. Describe any special circumstances which may have limited your participation in school activities.

5: **Community Service:** Describe the ways in which you, as a volunteer or member, have been of service to your community in general and/or to certain people in your community in particular. This service may have been performed as a member of an organization and/or on your own as an individual. Indicate any leadership roles you may have had in this area. Describe any special circumstances which may have limited your participation in community or church activities.

6: **Evaluation by School Official (Superintendent, Principal, Teacher or Counselor):** Provide the following information, if known, about the applicant on official school stationery and either attach the letter to the application or forward it to the Committee under a separate cover by **March 6, 2017**. Be certain that the title of the school official is included and that the letter is signed. The letter should emphasize the following.

- A- Personal attributes
- B- Abilities, talents, and interests,
- C- Scholarship, study habits, and probable success in college or vocational school,
- D- Any pertinent or unusual factor(s) which should be considered by the Committee

Date _____ Applicant's Signature in Full _____