

Guidelines for the Administration

Betty Wagoner Scholarship

Provided by the Education Committee of the Pike County Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

1. Qualifications for Application: In determining whether a student receives the Pike County Chamber of Commerce Betty Wagoner Scholarship, the following criteria must be considered.
 - a. Applicant must be a student currently enrolled in a school within Pike County.
 - b. Applicant must be a senior in good academic standing and attending a Pike County High School full time or dual enrolled in college.
 - c. Applicant must submit a 500-word essay using the topic, “Why being an effective leader is important to me.” This essay should include examples of how the applicant has shown good leadership, citizenship, and community service in his/her own life.
 - d. Applicant must submit a complete application which includes letters of recommendation from three of the following:
 - i. Principal or former principal
 - ii. Teacher or former teacher
 - iii. Counselor
 - iv. Or Personal reference (not related to applicant)
 - e. Application and all supporting documentation requested in the application must be received at the Pike County Chamber of Commerce office by 5:00 P.M., Friday, March 29, 2019.
2. Criteria For Selection of Scholarship:
 - a. Essays will be submitted for evaluation/selection by an out-of-county committee. Names are not to be on these essays.
 - b. Essays will be judged on grammatical correctness, adequately communicating in writing why they feel leadership, citizenship, and community service is important to society.
 - c. In case of a tie by the evaluation committee on the essay, student’s GPA, extracurricular activities, voluntary work activities, and leadership roles will be considered.
 - d. Education Committee will review recommendations and have the final vote on selected student.
3. The applicant selected for the scholarship may need to attend a banquet to be recognized.
4. Amount/Distribution of Scholarship Funds: Amount of scholarship will be decided each year by the Education Committee depending on available funds. Disbursement shall be made in the form of a check issued by the Pike County Chamber of Commerce to the post-secondary/skills training education institution upon proof of enrollment in a post-secondary/skills training education institution. Student and a parent (if student is 18 or younger) will need to bring this information in person to the Chamber Office. Chamber will disperse funds according to Chamber policy.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOLLOWS



Scholarship Application

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Due: March 29, 2019 by 5:00 PM

Name of Applicant _____

Mailing Address _____

High School Attended _____ Date of Graduation _____

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s) _____

Home Telephone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-Mail _____

School Telephone _____ ACT/SAT score _____

Cumulative GPA on a 4.0 Scale for the last 6 semesters prior to application _____

(Must have at least a 3.0 on a 4.0 point scale to apply)

Attach the following to this application:

1. Essay: "Why being an effective leader is important to me."
 - Maximum 500 words
 - Must be typed
2. Provide a detailed description for your top community service activities
 - Maximum 250 words
3. Three letters of recommendation
 - Principal or former principal
 - Teacher or former teacher
 - Counselor
 - Or Personal reference (not related to applicant)
4. Resume
5. Copy of high school and, if applicable, college transcript
6. Statement of acceptance from a post-secondary institution which you are planning to attend (if granted, scholarship funds will be made out to this school)

All of the above must be included in order for this application to be processed. I attest that the above information and all attached documentation is true and correct.

Signature

Date

This application and all supporting documents are due to the Chamber office by 5:00 PM on March 29, 2019 to be eligible for consideration. This application and all supporting documents may be mailed to The Pike County Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 249, Troy, AL 36081.

