

Joppa Lodge No. 40 A.F. & A.M.
Application for Scholarship

The William B. Cottrell Memorial Scholarship Fund provides scholarships to deserving men and women from the Commonwealth of Virginia. The William B. Cottrell Memorial Scholarship Fund is providing funds exclusively for charitable or educational purposes.

Freemasons are committed to high standard of excellence and part of this commitment is carried out by the Scholarship Fund.

The Scholarship Committee, appointed by the Worshipful Master of Joppa Lodge No. 40, reviews the applications and awards scholarships up to \$1,000 per student selected. These are renewable for three additional years depending upon the availability of funds and the student's satisfactory academic performance and continuing need.

Students are selected based on merit. Merit is demonstrated through academic achievement, class rank, standardized test scores, participation in school and/or community activities, well as by the quality of the application essay.

The deadline for returning completed applications is April 1. Applications received after April 1 will not be considered. Students are encouraged to submit their applications and supporting documentation as soon as possible. The Scholarship Committee will evaluate each application and determine the rank of each applicant at the annual scholarship review.

A copy of the student's high school transcript showing GPA, Class Rank, SAT scores or a student's university, college or community college transcripts showing GPA and Class Rank must also be provided.

Requirements:

- 1) Minimum 2.75 GPA is required to be awarded, and to continue receiving, the scholarship
- 2) Scholarship will be made available to trade school students where a "satisfactory" score will be required to be awarded, and continue receiving, the scholarship

Additional Points

- 1) Two (2) \$1000 scholarships will be awarded each year, with renewal scheduled for up to 3 subsequent years
- 2) To renew the scholarship, the recipient only needs to provide transcripts showing their GPA, and proof that they remain an active student
- 3) A recipient only becomes disqualified from renewal by failure to meet the GPA requirement or discipline for ethical issues up to and including expulsion.
- 4) Applications are submitted on April 1, scholarships will be voted on at the May Stated Communication and awarded at the June Stated Communication or at the awards presentation of the appropriate school.