



Daphene D. Watson Educational Scholarship Fund

Warwick Chapter No. 43

Order of the Eastern Star

Eligibility Requirements and Scholarship Guidelines

This fund is named in honor of Sister Daphene D. Watson, Past Grand Matron of Virginia and was established to assist youth and family members of Warwick Chapter No. 43, Order of the Eastern Star in furthering their education beyond high school.

To be eligible for this award you must meet the following requirements:

1. You must be a member or a child, grandchild, niece, nephew, sister, brother, or spouse of one of the following in District No. 33:
 - Warwick Chapter No. 43, Order of the Eastern Star
 - Colonial Chapter No. 40, Order of the Eastern Star
 - Pocahontas Chapter No. 103, Order of the Eastern Star
 - **The Eastern Star member you are related to must be in good standing now or was at the time of their death.**
2. **OR** you must be a member in good standing of one of the following Masonic Youth Organizations:
 - Tidewater DeMolay
 - Yorktown Bethel No. 39, Job's Daughters International
 - Hampton Bethel No. 13, Job's Daughters International
 - Hampton Assembly No. 2, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls.

3. You must be a graduating high school senior or currently enrolled in an institution of higher learning.
4. You must have a current grade point average of no less than 3.0. An **Official copy** of the most recent transcript must be provided of your grades and must accompany this application. **This transcript must be from the school you are currently enrolled in.**
5. You must be a full-time student.
6. All applications must be completed in full, must be an original copy and include two up-to-date letters of reference to be considered. Letter of reference must contain at least one from each group listed below:
 - **Teacher, professor, guidance counselor, or academic advisor.**
 - **Personal letter of reference that is not related to the applicant who has known you for more than five (5) years.**
7. Application must include a short one-page essay explaining your current interests, extracurricular activities, and academic awards either in high school or since entering college.

Deadline for submissions is to be post-marked no later than March 31st.

All Decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final.

Applicants will be notified of decisions made no later than June 30th.

This application, letters of recommendation, one-page essay, and all required documents should be mailed to:

Mr. Edward J. Gretka
Chair, Daphene D. Watson Educational Scholarship Fund
4 Edgewood Dr.
Newport News, VA. 23606

Thank you for your interest in the Daphene D. Watson Educational Scholarship program of Warwick Chapter No. 43, Order of the Eastern Star.

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