

**Springhill United Methodist Church**  
**College Scholarship Program Applicant Guidelines**

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**General**

A tuition assistance fund has been made available to encourage and assist active members of Springhill United Methodist Church to attend college.

**Qualifications**

1. The applicant must be an active member of Springhill United Methodist Church for a period of one year.
2. The applicant must attend an accredited institution and maintain a 2.0 GPA the freshman year and a 2.5 GPA the sophomore through senior year. A student with less than a 2.5 will be put on assistance probation.
3. The applicant must be enrolled as a full-time student which is a minimum of 12 semester hours or 18 quarter hours.

**Assistance Available**

Springhill United Methodist Church offers a flat-rate tuition scholarship for qualified applicants in the amount of \$250 per year, a total of \$1,000 per student for undergraduate studies. Currently no scholarships are offered for graduate studies.

**Application Procedure**

1. Complete the Application Form for the Springhill United Methodist Church Scholarship Program and return it to Springhill United Methodist Church, Attention: James Hambrick.
2. Submit with your application and a 1-page letter to the Springhill United Methodist Church Scholarship Ministry Team. In it, include: 1) Your reason for attending college, 2) your pursued area(s) of study, and 3) a request for scholarship funds.
3. The Scholarship Ministry Team may request a personal visit to one of their monthly meetings to meet you and hear more of your academic/ministry pursuits. The mission team may also contact references submitted on the application.
4. After review and approval, the Mission Team will make arrangements to forward the scholarship assistance directly to the student.

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5. First time applicants or applicants changing institutions must provide the scholarship ministry team a copy of their Acceptance Letter and a copy of their registered class schedule each renewal period.
  
6. Application deadline is August 1<sup>st</sup> of the year the Fall term the student is intended to start college. For instance, if a student will be starting the Fall of 2015, then the application must be in to the Scholarship team by August 1, 2015.

**Scholarship Renewal**

1. Renewal of scholarship each year is not automatic. While you do not need to complete another application, you must submit a request letter along with a copy of the previous term's grades to the scholarship team prior to start of a new school year. The minimum GPA requirements must also be maintained for continued scholarship assistance.
  
2. For Freshman students, scholarships will be disbursed in January after completing their first semester.
  
3. To receive a scholarship for the sophomore through the senior year, applicants must provide a copy of their official transcript to the scholarship ministry team. Each student will have a separate file for auditing purpose, to keep track of disbursements and track the student's eligibility for continued scholarship support.

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