

## WVTA Scholarship Criteria

Each year the WVTA awards monetary scholarships to dependents (children) of active and retired members of the West Virginia Troopers Association. It has come to our attention that there has been some confusion in the past relative to the criteria required to apply for and receive said scholarships. Applicants may only receive a WVTA Scholarship a maximum of four (4) times (per Board Meeting 1/11/09).

Candidates for the WVTA scholarship must be either a graduating high school senior with a grade point average of 3.0 or a student presently attending a college or university maintaining a 3.0 grade point average. All scholarship recipients must be enrolled for a minimum of twelve (12) semester hours in college.

Scholarships are granted based on composite ACT/SAT scores, evidence of extracurricular academic and social activities, responsibilities as detailed in the Application Form and the completion of an essay as specified by the Scholarship Committee. Preference will be given to those applicants who plan to study law enforcement or a related field. Preference shall also be given to applicants who attend a West Virginia college or university.

The Scholarship Committee consists of professors chosen from a West Virginia college or university. A different college or university is chosen each year. **This Committee makes its selections and determinations completely independent of the WVTA.**

Previously, high school seniors were required to maintain a 3.5 grade point average. To simplify the process of determining the eligibility of applicants, the grade point average was placed at 3.0 for all applicants by Board vote on April 9, 2001. It has also been determined that the Scholarship Committee shall select the top applicants meeting the requisite criteria and provide the WVTA with a listing in rank order. The top applicants will be awarded a scholarship by the West Virginia Troopers Association. The number of scholarships and amount given will be determined at a later date.

These scholarships will be awarded at our Annual Conference to be held at Glade Springs Resort in Daniels, West Virginia, on June 24, 2017. It is imperative that the scholarship recipients be present to accept their awards or have someone present to accept on their behalf.

**Due to the increasing amount of applications received each year by the WVTA, any applications not reaching the WVTA office by the stated deadline will not be eligible for the scholarship program. The deadlines must be strictly adhered to provide an equal opportunity for all applicants.**

Please complete the Scholarship Application provided and return to the WVTA Office along with your certified grade transcript by the stated deadline. Upon receipt of the application, the essay question will be mailed stating the essay deadline. Remember, this is a competition!!

**WEST VIRGINIA TROOPERS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS APPLICATION**

210 Chesapeake Avenue, Charleston, WV 25311  
304-345-9882 or 1-800-325-9882

**Note: Applicant Must Be a Dependent (Child) of WVTA Member**  
**PLEASE TYPE or PRINT**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ E:Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTH DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADUATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS & PHONE(if different from student): \_\_\_\_\_

**(If you need additional space to respond to the following items, please attach extra sheets.)**

List any co-curricular/academic activities in which you have participated while in high school/college (e.g. academic competition teams, quiz bowls, debates, science fairs, etc.):

List any extracurricular activities in which you have participated while in high school/college (e.g. student government, athletics, clubs and organizations, etc.):

List any honors you have received as a student:

List any community activities, work experience, or other information you wish the selection committee to consider:

**\*\*\*\*ENCLOSE WITH THIS FORM a certified transcript of your high school classes (college, if a college student), including verification of your grade point average and class rank from your guidance counselor. Please include recent photograph, suitable for publishing. Scholarship Award may be received by applicant four (4) times only.**

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Signature of Applicant

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Date Submitted

**This application must be returned to the WVTA office by March 31, 2017.  
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