



Lutheran Women's Missionary League

NEBRASKA SOUTH DISTRICT

Spring 2017

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, who was sent by the Father, to give us the gift of salvation.

The Nebraska South District Lutheran Women's Missionary League hopes to encourage students preparing to serve the church through full-time church work with our gift of love in the form of a scholarship. Please read through the list of scholarship guidelines carefully for the qualifications. The completed packet must be postmarked no later than June 1, 2017 to the scholarship chairman for consideration. The packet may be downloaded from the District LWML Web site – www.lwmlnesouth.org. If you have any questions, please contact the scholarship chairman or assistant.

As with the Philippians, who gave of their talents, time and gifts, God will meet all our needs according to His glorious riches given through Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19).

May God bless your spiritual and educational preparation.

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“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all peoples, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.” Galatians 6:1

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Nebraska South District Scholarship

The purpose of the LWML Nebraska South District Scholarship is to encourage men and women in the Nebraska South District LCMS congregations to become professional church workers by providing financial assistance for their education. The money for this fund is a project of the LWML Nebraska South District through the mite box program. The scholarship amount will be established each biennium at the District convention. The District Gospel Outreach and Mission Grants Committee and a District Counselor shall be in charge of the scholarship program. Any unused portion of the money remains the property of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Nebraska South District.

The Criteria:

- Academic achievement
- Leadership
- Church involvement
- Financial need

Applications must be postmarked and mailed no later than June 1, 2017 to:

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The Scholarship:

- The scholarship amount is set at \$1000 per academic year, \$500 per semester, for each student selected. Recipients will be notified by August 1 for the upcoming school year.
- Payments of scholarship grants will be made directly to the college, university or seminary and credited to the recipients school account. The recipient is responsible to notify the scholarship chairman of any college, university or seminary address change.
- Those already receiving scholarship grants must re-apply in order to receive aid for the next year.

Eligibility:

- Applicant must be from the Nebraska South District
- Applicant must be enrolled as a full time student in a synodically affiliated college, university or seminary, or be enrolled in synod's DELTO or Specific Ministry Pastor program.
- Applicant must be a member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod.
- Applicant must plan to be in full time professional service for the church upon completion of studies.

Application Instructions:

An application packet consists of the following items, *in order and stapled*.

Application Form All of your responses to the questions on the form must be written in the space provided. Do not attach a separate page.

Paragraph Write a paragraph (200-300 words) concerning your future plans working for the Lord and His Church. Students reapplying should still write a detailed paragraph in order to be considered.

Letter of Reference You are required to submit one letter of reference. This reference should be from the applicant's pastor affirming church membership and recommendation for a scholarship. Please have an area pastor *sign the application* and write a brief letter of recommendation if the applicant is a member of the pastor's family.

The letter of reference form has been enclosed with this application. Your pastor may also download and complete the form from the LWML web-site, www.lwmlnesouth.org and print a hard copy. Ask your pastor to return their completed and signed reference form to you. The letter of reference must be submitted with your application. This letter may be but is not required to be sealed or confidential.

Transcript You are required to provide a certified transcript or proof of your academic achievements of the past two years.

An application consists of the following items, in order and stapled.

1. Application
2. Paragraph
3. Letter of Reference
4. Transcript of the academic achievement of the past two years

Please staple the completed packet. Do not fold the pages.
Your application must be complete or it will not be considered.

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Section 3: Paragraph

What are your future plans concerning your service to our Lord and His Church? Why do you feel called to this particular vocation?

(200-300 words)

The information provided on this application form and the attachments is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that misrepresentation of fact would result in the automatic cancellation of my scholarship if one were awarded.

Student Signature

Date

*Pastor's Signature

Date

**If applicant is a member of pastor's family, please have an area pastor sign the application and write the Letter of Recommendation.*

