

**JCRTA SCHOLARSHIP FUND COMMITTEE
GUIDELINES**

January, 2019

1. All applicants are to be either a graduating high school senior of Jefferson County, Illinois or a college student who graduated from a Jefferson County high school who has not previously received this scholarship.
2. Applicants must be preparing for a career in the education (teaching) profession.
3. Applicant must have at least a 20 ACT composite score and a grade point average of 3.0 or more on a 4.0 scale.
4. Before the student's school scholarship application deadline, the applicant shall:
 - a. submit a statement containing the following:
 1. school and community activities
 2. experience in such teaching activities as:
 - a. tutoring
 - b. camp counseling
 - c. Church and other community activities
 3. financial need
 - b. two letters of recommendation from school personnel in your high school or college who can address your potential as a teacher.
 - c. a personal letter noting career goals, describing plans for achieving goals, and explaining why the applicant is deserving of selection.
 - d. for all high school applicants, a high school transcript of grades, including GPO and ACT score. if in college, a college transcript.
4. High School applicants should turn in documents to the school counselor when completed so the Counselor can send them to the committee in one mailing. College applicants should send documents directly to the scholarship committee at the address below.
5. Arrangements will be made by telephone for interviews with finalists who have never been interviewed by the JCRTA Scholarship Fund Committee. The interview is mandatory.
6. Notification of winners in May, 2019.
8. Recipients must enroll or be enrolled in an accredited college or university. **VERY IMPORTANT:** After enrollment, the scholarship recipient should tell the appropriate office of the college or university in which the recipient is enrolled to send official notice of this to the Scholarship Committee. Upon such notification by the school, the scholarship check will be sent to the appropriate office of the school for the 2019-20 school year. The money can be sent for summer semester.
9. The official notice from the college or university should be sent to Larry Pearson, 17530 E Knox Road, Mt. Vernon, Illinois 62864.

Jefferson County Retired Teachers Scholarship Committee

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