

First United Methodist Church of Little Rock
William H. Bowen Dollars for Scholars Fund
Scholarship Application

- **Scholarship Opportunities:** The First United Methodist Church of Little Rock has been generously endowed by church members and friends of the church who have, through gifts and memorials, established the Dollars for Scholars Fund in memory of William H. Bowen. The purpose of this scholarship is to assist active members of the First United Methodist Church of Little Rock with their higher education and training at a United Methodist college or university. The number of scholarships will vary annually according to the returns on the invested funds and the number of qualified applicants. Each recipient will receive a \$1,000 scholarship that will be submitted to the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation for potential matching of funds through the United Methodist Dollars for Scholars Program that can increase the scholarship up to \$4,000 annually. See <https://www.umhcf.org/scholarships/umdfs/> for more details.

- **Eligibility Requirements:**
 - The applicant must have maintained an active relationship with First United Methodist Church of Little Rock for at least one year prior to applying.
 - There are no age, merit or need-based restrictions.
 - The applicant must be enrolled or planning to enroll in a full-time degree program (graduate or undergraduate) at a United Methodist-related college or seminary in the United States.
 - Doctoral (PhD) candidates are not eligible.

- **Application Procedure –**
 - Application forms are available on the church website - www.fumclr.org.
 - All applications must be returned to First United Methodist Church of Little Rock office (FUMCLR, Attn: Brandon Bates, 723 Center St., Little Rock, AR 72201) or emailed to Brandon Bates, Youth Director, at BBates@fumclr.org, **on or before January 15** to be considered for a scholarship the following fall semester.
 - After reviewing all applications, the Scholarship Committee will contact all applicants by email.
 - This application is for one academic school year; however, a student may reapply in following years if qualifications are met.

- **Instructions for Applicant –**
 - Read the guidelines carefully and complete the application.
 - All responses **must be typed**.

Personal/Contact Information

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

College Address: _____

Home Phone: Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name: _____

School Activities

List group or individual school activities in which you're an active member and identify any leadership role or responsibilities you may have. (150 words maximum)

Church Involvement

Identify areas in which you've been active in your church. (150 words maximum)

Leisure/Community Activities

Please list activities outside of school such as your hobbies, interests, and any community service. Identify any leadership role or responsibilities you may have. (150 words maximum)

Academic

Name of High School: _____

Date of Graduation: _____

High School Class Rank _____ out of _____ High School Grade Point Average _____

Name of College: _____ in City, State _____

College Status as of Current School Year: _____

Cumulative College Grade Point Average _____

Do you plan to attend college as a full-time student for the full school year?

Yes No

Your Faith Journey (500 words maximum)

1. Give a brief outline your personal as well as your educational goals.
2. How has the First United Methodist Church of Little Rock influenced your life journey of faith?
3. Explain why this scholarship is important to you.