



# MELISSA COOK MEMORIAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application must be postmarked no later than March 1st

**Follow the scholarship application instructions and meet the application deadline of March 1st**

- Your application must be neatly printed or typed and must include all required supporting documents. (Refer to Application Checklist)
- Fill out the following form in its entirety and mail to: P.O. Box 731, Grayslake, IL 60030

Full Name (Last, First, MI)

(Preferred First Name)

Home Address (Street, City, State, Zip)

Email Address

County of Residence

Home Phone Number (xxx) xxx-xxxx

Cell Phone Number (optional)

Birth date (mm/dd/yy)

High School

Year of Graduation

Current Grade Point Average

Out of (Highest possible grade point average)

School you plan to attend

Full time or Part time

Estimated tuition

Estimated room and board

Family income total from all sources

Number of siblings in family (not including yourself)

Ages of siblings

Number of siblings in college (not including yourself)

Your Current School Year:  Frosh  Soph  Junior  Senior

Explain any unusual financial situations (attach additional pages if necessary)

Have you received (or will you receive) Scholarship aid from other sources?  NO  YES

Is this a continuing scholarship?  NO  YES Please Explain:



## Application Checklist:

### Applicant's Statement

Typed or neatly printed on one page, write a statement or short essay, telling why you should be considered for this scholarship. Your statement should be approximately 250 - 500 words. The content of this statement is heavily weighted by the Scholarship Review Committee.

### Two (2) Letters of Reference

One from a high school teacher or faculty member familiar with the applicant and one from a person who has known the applicant for two or more years and is not a relative or member of the applicant's family.

### Statement of Activities, Honors, and Leadership

Typed or neatly printed on one page, list school and community activities including years in which you participated. Identify leadership positions you have held. List honors or awards you have received.

### Supporting Financial Documentation

You must include all of the required supporting documents and financial information, including copies of your family's 1040 and W-2's for the most recent tax year.

### Official Transcripts

You must include official copies of all transcripts of the entire high school enrollment.

### FASFA

You MUST apply for Federal Student Aid (FASFA), and provide documentation. See <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/> for information on FASFA.

### Application Guidelines

- Application must be postmarked no later than March 1st.
- DO NOT STAPLE or FOLD application or supporting documentation, with the exception of sealed transcripts or sealed letters of recommendations.
- Your application must be neatly printed or typed.
- Familiarize yourself with the Melissa Cook Memorial Foundation's history and achievements.
- Focus on relevant experiences which have occurred within the last three to four years.
- Do not utilize acronyms or abbreviations for names of clubs or activities. (ie: DECA or FBLA)
- If any of the above instructions are not followed, your application will not be considered.

I certify that I have provided complete and accurate statements on this application. To the best of my knowledge, all accompanying documents are authentic, unaltered records that pertain to me. I hereby give my approval for the Melissa Cook Memorial Foundation to issue a news release if I am awarded a scholarship, listing my name and hometown.

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Date

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Signature

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