

Application for the Nancy Gannett Scholarship of the Hopedale Unitarian Parish

To be sent to: Chair, Scholarship Committee
Hopedale Unitarian Parish
P.O. Box 367
Hopedale, MA 01747

I hereby apply for the scholarship offered by the Hopedale Unitarian Parish to aid in meeting my expenses for post-secondary education during the academic year _____ - _____. I have filed application(s) for entrance to the following:



Applicant's name: _____

Date of birth: _____

Home address: _____

Parent(s) name: _____

Parent or applicant a church member? _____

Graduate of: _____

Class of: _____

Information to submit with application form:

- Documented twice per month church participation through the high school years.
- One letter of recommendation from a non-family church member.
- A brief essay describing what your experience at HUP means to you and how this experience will carry over in the future.

Please refer to the attached scholarship criteria description for more information.

Criteria for the Nancy Gannett Scholarship of the Hopedale Unitarian Parish

Committee Description

The Scholarship Committee will include Bris Gannett and at least two other church members - preferably those who know the students applying. Parents of children applying cannot be on the Committee that year.

Criteria for Scholarship

1. Applicant must attend worship service on average once per month during their high school years. The applicant also must participate in some other activity at the church once per month during their high school years. Activities include: attending worship service, religious education programs, or events held at the church or volunteering (for example helping in the kitchen, singing in the choir, gardening, babysitting, teaching in religious education, etc.)
2. Applicant must submit an essay about what the church means to them.
3. Applicant must provide one letter of recommendation from a non-family church member.
4. At least one parent, or the applicant, must be a member of the Hopedale Unitarian Parish.

Selection Process

Applications should be completed and returned to the church office by May 1st. The Scholarship Committee will meet and review applications, apply the criteria, and select scholarship recipients.

If there is no applicant in any given year, no funds will be dispersed that year. Selection criteria will be reviewed each year by the Scholarship Committee to determine if changes are needed. In June, the parents of children entering their senior year in September may request the scholarship criteria from the committee.

Receiving the Award

The total scholarship will be \$500. The first \$250 will be given to the recipient in June when proof of enrollment is shown to a Scholarship Committee member. Proof of enrollment must be provided within 12 months of award selection. The second \$250 will be provided after the first semester grades have been submitted to a scholarship committee member, and it must be requested within 12 months of the original award. If the award recipient withdraws from college after the first semester, the second \$250 award will not be given.