



**C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E.  
Board of Trustees  
Scholarship Application**

**Letter of Instructions**

Scholarship Release Date: February 8, 2010

**Purpose:**

The C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E., has established need based, merit scholarships to promote academic excellence among students in Newport News, Virginia.

A total of four (4) scholarships are to be awarded on a competitive basis to students seeking a post-secondary education who have a good to excellent academic record; strong leadership qualities; and strong involvement in school and community activities and are enrolled in the Newport News Public School system.

Scholarship is geared to provide assistance to those who plan to attend a four year program at an accredited college/university.

Document is also available on the Scott Center's website: [www.scottcenter.org](http://www.scottcenter.org)



## **C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E. Board of Trustees SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA**

Members of the Newport News Public Schools are eligible for a scholarship if you are planning to attend an institution of higher learning.

### **Who may apply/criteria: The applicant**

1. Must attend one of the high schools in Newport News, Virginia.
2. Must be a prospective June 2010 graduate.
3. Must matriculate to an accredited college, university or post secondary school.
4. Must possess a minimum of 2.5 GPA, if applying as a freshman.
5. Must submit a complete application including a 500 word essay.
6. Must present a list of school and community activities.
7. Must submit two (2) letters of recommendation.
8. Must request from Guidance and submit an official transcript.

### **Re-Applications:**

Re-applications for grants made following the first year in college must be accompanied by a C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E. Scholarship Application and a letter of good standing from the Office of Registrar.

### **How recipient is chosen:**

1. The recipient is selected on the basis of his/her academic or vocational excellence, school and community involvement, letters of recommendation, an essay, and need.
2. The C. Waldo Scott Center Board of Trustees Scholarship Committee will select recipients and alternates. The names will be presented to the Board of Trustees. The decision of the Board of Trustees is final.

### **Amount of Scholarship:**

1. The C. Waldo Scott Center will award scholarships up to one thousand five hundred (\$1,500.00) dollars. The Scott Center can change the amount of the scholarship and the number of scholarships to be awarded for a particular year, contingent upon available funding.

### **Application Deadline:**

1. The application deadline for the scholarship is April 16, 2010.
2. The names of the applicants recommended for scholarship will be submitted to the Board of Trustees for C. Waldo Scott Center at the May, 2010 Board meeting for approval.
3. The recipients(s) will be presented to the Board at its June 2010 meeting to be recognized. Only a certificate of award will be presented at this time, monetary awards will be sent to the respective institution upon confirmation of attendance.

**Awarding of Scholarship:**

Upon receipt of verification of enrollment of the scholarship recipient from the registrar of an accredited college or university (requested by the recipient), the C. Waldo Scott Center will forward the scholarship money. The Chairperson of the Scholarship Committee will coordinate with the treasurer to ensure this done. Monies will be paid ½ first semester and ½ second semester.

All scholarships are given for **one year only**, contingent upon funds available to the Board of Trustees, with no guarantee of continued funding beyond the first year.

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to determine not to award or limit the number of scholarships awarded based on the quality of the applications.



Name of Parent(s) or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### Part C-Achievements

List your involvement in extra-curricular activities, community and civic activities as well as activities participated in at the Scott Center (use attachments if necessary).

List any high school or other scholastic accomplishments you have achieved (use attachments if necessary).

### Part D-Essay

Please submit a typed essay with at least 500 words to describe your educational and or career goals and how the financial award will benefit your achievements. Attach your essay to the application.

### Part E-Verifications

Please provide the following information and documents:

Official high school transcript to verify the following:

SAT or ACT Test Scores: Critical Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Math \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Two letters of Recommendation: One from a School Counselor, Teacher or other School Administrator and another from one of the following: Minister, Employer, Civic or Community Leader.

### Part F-Certification

I certify that the information I have provided above is true:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**MAIL TO:**

**C. Waldo Scott Center for H.O.P.E.  
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Newport News, VA 23607  
ATTN: Scholarship Committee**