

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH TRUST FUND

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Eligible Applicants:

- High school senior preparing to graduate
- Post-secondary student in a certificate, associate degree, or bachelor's degree program
- Seminary student

Preference will be given to first-time applicants, but previous scholarship recipients are encouraged to re-apply by completing a new application form.

One-half of the scholarship will be available for each semester of the school year. Scholarship funds will be sent directly to the school the applicant attends.

The applicant must have a C average to be considered for an initial scholarship or to re-apply.

General Instructions:

1. Complete all sections of the application required for your status (new, reapplying, seminary), as shown on page 1 of the application form.
2. Application and supporting materials (essay, transcript, recommendation) must be submitted to Trinity by **March 30**.
3. Tips for Applicants
 - a. Request that transcripts and recommendations be submitted by March 15, even though the due date for all materials is March 30. This gives you time to follow up and do reminders, if necessary.
 - b. Provide a stamped, addressed envelope to persons from whom you request recommendations or a transcript.
 - c. By March 15, check with your school office and the person writing a recommendation to make sure the requested materials have been submitted to Trinity.
 - d. If any questions or complications arise, leave a message and contact information at the Trinity church office so that someone can contact you.

4. Address all application materials as follows:

Trinity Lutheran Church
Scholarship Committee
502 N 4th Street
Bismarck, ND 58501

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Check one:

- New Applicant (complete sections A - G)
- Renewing Applicant (complete sections A, B, E, F, G)
- Seminary Student (complete sections A, B, E, F, G)

SECTION A.

Applicant's Name: _____ Age: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: _____
(Street) (City) (Zip)

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

SECTION B.

Post-secondary institution you are attending or plan to attend:

Name of Institution: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

What is your current or proposed course of study? _____

To be completed by first-time applicants or applicants changing schools:

Have you made application to your chosen school? Yes _____ No _____

Have you been accepted? Yes _____ No _____

SECTION C.

Parents or Guardian (Full Name): _____

Address (if different from above): _____

Telephone (if different from above): _____

Name of high school attended: _____ City: _____

SECTION D.

LIST YOUR ACTIVITIES AS A MEMBER OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH:

LIST YOUR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND/OR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Place of Employment: _____ Average Hours per Week: _____

SECTION E.

Write an essay of 500-600 words, using the following guidelines:

- a. First-time applicant – tell about yourself, your future plans, and what your association with Trinity has meant to you.
- b. Renewing applicant – describe significant experiences during the past year, including your faith journey and progress you are making toward your future plans.
- c. Seminary student – describe your faith journey during the past year, including experiences you feel are most helpful in preparing you for your goals in ministry.

SECTION F.

Request that a transcript be sent from your school to Trinity by **March 15**.

SECTION G.

Obtain a letter of recommendation from a Trinity member, pastor, teacher, or employer that describes your potential or your progress toward your career goals. The person making the recommendation should not be a family member or close relative. Request that the letter be sent to Trinity Lutheran Church by **March 15**.

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