

THE HOWE SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

Application for \$1,500 (minimum) Award

*DEADLINE is normally **May 1** of each year (find updates at howescholarship.org)*

Award winner will be contacted and announced June each year

Criteria for Applying to the Howe Scholarship:

The Howe Scholarship Endowment was established to provide one scholarship each year to an African-American student who meets the following criteria:

- 1) Student is a high school senior graduating from a public high school in a Wilmington, NC metropolitan service area, including the counties of New Hanover, Brunswick, Pender, and Columbus.
OR: Student is continuing their education at a college, graduate school, or technical school anywhere in the country, but must have attended primary or secondary school in New Hanover, Brunswick, Pender, or Columbus counties.
- 2) Student has applied to (or currently enrolled in) a qualified institution of higher education—college, graduate school, or technical school. (NOTE that although student may submit application for the Scholarship **before** acceptance to institution, the award itself will be given only *upon acceptance* to the institution.) Preference will be given to applicants pursuing the **building arts and sciences**. This includes but is not limited to architecture, engineering, carpentry, and construction management. Students pursuing an associate's degree, bachelor's degree, or graduate degree, OR training for equivalent technical certification are eligible to apply for the scholarship.

Instructions:

The application form on the next page may be used to apply for the Howe Scholarship Endowment, a designated endowment of St. Stephen AME Church of Wilmington, NC and administered by the [North Carolina Community Foundation, Inc.](http://NorthCarolinaCommunityFoundation.com)

Applications must be postmarked by/on **May 1** of each year and mailed to: **Howe Scholarship Committee c/o Church Secretary, St. Stephen AME Church, 501 Red Cross Street, Wilmington, NC 28401**

Applications may also be E-mailed by/on **May 1** to ststephenamewilm@aol.com and should contain the subject line: *Howe Scholarship Committee, c/o Church Secretary.*

Backup material (sealed recommendations and transcripts) should be mailed to the address above and postmarked by/on May 1, OR emailed as PDFs directly from the school/letter writer.

Required Items:

- Scholarship Application Form (see page 2)
- Essay (typed 250-500 words): On a separate page, describe your aspirations for college and beyond, and what has led you to choose this path.
- List of Extracurricular Activities: On a separate page, please provide a typed list of your activities (clubs, sports, fine arts, volunteer work, scouting, hobbies, jobs, internships, etc.), including the years you participated. Also list awards or recognitions you have received.
- Current or Most Recent Transcript (in signed envelope or PDF sent directly from the school)
- High school seniors *may submit* their ACT or SAT scores, *but this is not a requirement*
- College students should submit a college or university transcript
- Letters of Recommendation (2) in sealed, signed envelopes (OR as PDF emailed directly from the letter-writer to ststephenamewilm@aol.com). One from a teacher; one from a counselor, coach, pastor, supervisor, or other individual who can speak to your character & commitment.

The Howe Endowment Scholarship Application

Name:

Last *First* *Middle* *Preferred*

Mailing Address:

Permanent Address (if different than above):

County of Residence:

High School Name:

Email:

Phone Number:

Gender:

Date of Birth:

Weighted GPA:

Unweighted GPA:

Class Rank / Total # students:

Intended Major:

School/College/Certification Program you plan to attend this fall:

(if undecided, please list where you have applied or been accepted)

Type of School: 2 year ___ 4 year ___ Graduate ___ Other: _____

Year of study this fall: Freshman ___ Sophomore ___ Junior ___ Senior ___ Other: _____

Enrollment Status: Full time (12+ credit hours) ___ Part time (6-11 hrs) ___ Other: _____

Are you a first-generation college student? (neither parent graduated from college): Yes ___ No ___

I certify that the information provided in this application packet is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification of information will result in termination of any scholarship granted. I understand that incomplete applications may not be considered. I certify that I have read the instructions and will comply with all requests for documentation of financial need and academic status. Should I receive a scholarship, I will notify St. Stephen AME of any change of plans that may occur in the timeframe covered by my scholarship award. I understand that the scholarship may only be used towards the cost of attendance at accredited US institutions of higher learning.

Student Signature

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian (if applicant is under 18)

Date

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