California Eastern Star Foundation Scholarship

2015 California Eastern Star Foundation Scholarship

Deadline

Completed applications with supporting documentation must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2015. Please mail application in a 9" x 12" envelope. Please do not staple any pages.

Eligibility

- Graduating high school seniors, continuing undergraduate and graduate students at an accredited college, university, community college, trade school, or religious institution.
- Applicants must be a United States Citizen and California resident.
- Applicants we fund for scholarships will **primarily** be those with Masonic ties or those who are members of our Masonic Youth Groups.
- Students must have a minimum cumulative 3.0, unweighted GPA. On page 3, please submit only Unweighted GPA, not Weighted.
- Demonstrate a financial need.
- Strong high school and/or community leadership record
- If applying for the religious scholarship (ESTARL), the applicant must be entering a theological college or seminary.

Award Amount: Varies. Applicants to whom Scholarships will be awarded will be notified by July 1, 2015.

Application Procedures

- Complete the California Order of the Eastern Star Foundation Scholarship application. Make sure you complete the check-off list on top of page 2.
- Copies of pages 1 and 2 of your most recent Federal Income Tax return, or that of your parents, if they claim you as a dependent. (W-2 forms are not acceptable). Social Security numbers should be blacked out.
- If submitting the parents Federal Tax return, the parent must sign the application giving consent to the committee to review the tax form. Lack of a parental signature on page 4, will disqualify the application. All tax forms will be shredded after review.
- Graduating seniors must submit an *official* high school transcript that includes the first semester of the 12th grade.
- College undergraduates and graduates may submit an unofficial transcript.
- If requested materials are not available at time of submission, please include a written explanation with your application.
- A copy of the college acceptance letter, if available. Prior to awarding a scholarship, OES must receive a copy of your college acceptance letter. You should send these items to OES as soon as you receive them.
- **GRADUATING SENIORS**, must submit the Teacher/Counselor Report (pages 6 and 7), with your Application.
- Responses to the essay questions may be submitted on a separate page as an attachment to the application.
- Checks will be mailed to the recipient only after proof of college/university enrollment has been received. This may be in the form of scheduled classes or enrollment verification from the college/ university.

When you have filled out the Application and obtained all necessary documentation, as listed in the *check-off box on* page 2, please submit your application to the following address:

California Eastern Star Foundation c/o Grand Chapter of California, OES Attn: Scholarship Committee 16960 Bastanchury Road, Suite E Yorba Linda, CA 92886-1711



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Signed by self	
Signed by parent	
Goals	
Financial Statement	
Tax Form	
Letter of Acceptance	
Transcripts	
Teacher/Counselor Reports pp. 6 & 7	

This checklist must be completed by the applicant before submitting the application.

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Instructions: Please fill out this application online and print. **If you need extra room, you may attach a separate sheet of paper.** You may also attach a résumé or *curriculum vitae*. Return the application with the supporting materials to the address listed above.

Name:				
	First	Middle		
Birthdate:	Male	☐ Female		
How did you find out about this Scholars	hip?			
Are you a Citizen of the United States?	☐ Yes	☐ No		
Are you a resident of California?	☐ Yes	☐ No		
Address:				
City:	State:	ZIP:		
Phone:	Cell Phone:			
Email address:				
With whom do you live? 🖵 Mother	☐ Father ☐ Brother	☐ Sister ☐ Spouse		
Others (please list relationship to you):	:			
Are you employed? 🚨 Yes 📮 No	If yes, what is your:			
Occupation:	Employer:			
Are you married? ☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, what is your spouse's:			
Occupation:	Employer:			
Dependents claimed on your Income Tax	Return: 🖵 Yes 🖵 No	If yes, how many:		
Father's Name:				
	Employer:			
Mother's Name:				
Occupation:				

Name of School you cu	rrently attend:		
Address:			
			ZIP:
	-	_	☐ Community Colleger:
Current year:	GPA:	Major (if applica	ble):
Name of School you pla	an to attend:		
Address:			
			ZIP:
Type of School:	1 4 year College/Unive 1 Religious Institution		
Declared or intended M	lajor:	Date term	n begins:
			tern Star Foundation, please
If you have received an and whether the schola	-		nom, year received, amount, year:
If you have applied for c	other scholarships, loa	ans or grants this year,	please list type and amount
Please list any high sch	ool or college acaden	nic society to which yo	ou belong:
Please list honors, awar	ds, and student body	offices held, (include	years for each):
Please list extracurricula	ar and community ac	tivities:	

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Maso	nic Affiliations:
•	are a member of a Masonic Organization, please state the organization (Chapter, Bethel, nbly, Lodge), name and number and how long you have been a member:
-	have any family members that belong to a Masonic Organization, please state their name, onship to you, the name of the organization and chapter/lodge name and number:
•	are applying for an ESTARL please list your service to your church, synagogue, or religious nization:
_	g a separate sheet of paper, please respond to the following three (3) items. Each response ld not exceed 150 words. Attach your response as the last page of your application.
1.	Educational Goals
2.	Reason for Choice of School
3.	How will this scholarship help you with your education?
Comr	a are a high school student selected for a scholarship, a member of the Scholarship mittee may attend your awards ceremony to personally present the scholarship. Please de the following:
Da	te and time of your high school awards ceremony:
Loc	cation of ceremony:
Na	me and telephone number of school official to be contacted regarding the ceremony:

(Applicant's Signature)

(Parent/Guardian – if using their tax and financial information)

Date

Date

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

All sections of this page must be completed. Attach a copy of the Federal Income Tax Form (pages 1 and 2 only). Social Security Numbers should be blacked out.

Annual Family Gross Income: if living with parents	Annual Family Expenses per year. List your family's expenses if living with them. If living independently, list your own. Do not include state or federal taxes.		
Father	\$ Mortgage/ Rent	\$	
Mother	\$ Property taxes	\$	
Self	\$ Utilities	\$	
Other (rents, interest, dividends)	\$ Food	\$	
TOTAL	\$ Clothing	\$	
If living independent of parents	Auto Expenses	\$	
Self	\$ Medical/Dental	\$	
Spouse	\$ Contributions	\$	
Other (rents, interest, dividends)	\$ Entertainment	\$	
TOTAL	\$ Travel	\$	
Funds Available Annually — all sources for education	Other (explain in Note 2 below)	\$	
Parents	\$ TOTAL	\$	
Scholarships	\$ Approximate Annual College Expenses		
Loans	\$ Tuition	\$	
Other (explain in Note 1 below)	\$ Fees not included in tuition	\$	
TOTAL	\$ Books and Supplies	\$	
	Room and Board	\$	
	Transportation	\$	
	TOTAL	\$	

Note 1:			
Note 2:			

You may provide **on a separate sheet** attached to this application, other financial information not listed above which may be helpful in evaluating your application. This may include indebtedness due to illness, aid to grandparents, or other siblings in college.



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Entering Freshmen Only Counselor or Teacher Report

After completing Part 1 of this report, give this form to your teacher or counselor to complete Part II. (If you would like more than one individual to submit a report, you may make copies of this form).

Part 1 — Stu Name:			
Name	Last	First	Middle
Birthdate (m	nonth/day/year):		
I am applyin	g to meet the deadline of March	1, 2014.	
records, inclumay attach r You may cho	Family Educational Rights and Puding letters of recommendation more significance to those documose the option to waive your ristatement to indicate your choic	is; however, those who write ents if they know their comi ght to access theses recom	and assess recommendations ments will remain confidential. mendations. Please check the
	☐ I waive my right to review	this recommendation.	
	☐ I do not waive my right to	review this recommendation	n.
Date:	Student's Signat	ure:	

Part II — Counselor or Teacher

As part of the application for a scholarship, we ask students to obtain a report from a school counselor or teacher. We seek the comments and evaluation of school officials who know the student well and who may be able to provide insights into the candidate's character, personality and abilities. Please be candid in your commentary and as comprehensive as possible in your description of the student's qualifications. The student should adhere to the deadline above.

Teacher/Counselor's Name:							
1. Name:			_ Position:				
School:			ode:				
Phone No.:			Email:				
2. This candidate ranks in a class of			ents. 📮 Th	is school do	es not rank	its students.	
3. In what capacity have you know long?		olicant?					
4a. Do you have confidence in the 4b. Do you have confidence in the 1st If you answered NO to e	he applican	t's personal	integrity?	Yes			
5. Has the student ever been sul Yes If yes please explain on	☐ No	•	ary action o	r been susp	ended or di	smissed?	
6. We are especially interested in from other candidates nationw submit one Letter of Recommer	ide who ar						
7. In comparison with other collection Less than demanding		•	•				
8. Compared to other students i	n the class,	how do you	rate this stu	dent in the	following ar	eas?	
Traits:	No Basis	Below Average	Average	Good	Very Good	Excellent (Top 10%)	
Intellectual ability							
Extracurricular accomplishment							
Personal qualities and character							
Creativity							
Readiness for college					ļ		
Signature:					re:		

Please place both this form and your Letter of Recommendation in a sealed envelope and give it to the applicant to return with their application. Lack of a letter will eliminate this student's application.