



Scholarship Guidelines

As part of its commitment to serving others and supporting the local community, the Marietta Chamber of Commerce (MACC) annually offers scholarships support to students seeking higher education. Scholarships are offered to students attending Marietta College, Washington State Community College (WSCC), or Washington County Career Center (WCCC) who plan to pursue careers in our community.

Requirements for Applicants

- A. Scholarship applications are accepted from the following locations/schools:
1. **Traditional High School Seniors:**
 - a. Belpre High School
 - b. Marietta High School
 - c. Fort Frye High School
 - d. Frontier High School
 - e. Warren High School
 - f. Williamstown High School
 - g. Wolf Creek High School
 - h. Wood County Christian High School
 - i. Parkersburg Catholic
 - j. Parkersburg High School
 - k. Veritas Classical Academy
 - l. Parkersburg South High School
 2. **Non-Traditional Students (any student that is not a current high school senior) or home-schooled high school seniors must live or work in Washington County.**
- B. The Applicant must meet the following requirements.
1. Will earn or already has earned a high school diploma or GED.
 2. Demonstrate financial need.
 3. Demonstrate a record of academic performance (2.5 grade point average or above).
 4. Demonstrate desire to earn a college degree or certificate and obtain a career working in Washington county.
 5. Demonstrate commitment to community service.

Required Documents for MACC Scholarship Application

Each applicant must submit the following documents:

1. Marietta Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Application
2. A Letter of Application*
3. The FAFSA number demonstrating financial need – Please provide the page with the proof of this score. Please **do not include the entire FAFSA application.**

4. An official high school transcript
5. A list of all other scholarships with the amounts of the awards for which you have received.

***The Letter of Application** is an important part of how the committee makes its decision. Since interviews of candidates are not a part of the application process, the letter is the best way for the Scholarship Committee to “get to know” the applicant. The letter, not a resume, must be written by the applicant using proper letter format.

The letter should provide an understanding of the candidate’s unique circumstances. It should not repeat information available to the committee in the application, such as community service, extra-curricular activities or sports. It could include any of the following information that is pertinent to the applicant’s situation:

- Personal and family circumstances
- Specifics about financial need
- Information about the career choice the applicant has made
- Educational goals and motivations
- Intention to remain in the local community
- Other information which may help the members of the committee understand the individual

MACC Application Checklist:

Following is *a checklist of materials that are required for a complete application* for the Marietta Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship. This list is provided to help you be sure your application is complete and **only complete applications will be considered.**

_____ Completed MACC Application.

_____ An Application Letter (typed and signed by the applicant).

_____ FAFSA Expected Family Contribution Number (EFC) – **1 page only.**

_____ **Official high school transcript or GED**

_____ An official acceptance letter from the College you will attend.

_____ **Postmarked or delivered by October 29, 2021 (First Round) or by March 31, 2022**

(Second Round).

Send completed MACC Scholarship Applications and required materials to:

MACC Scholarship Committee
100 Front Street, #200
Marietta, Ohio 45750

Please note the scholarships will be awarded directly to the college or technical school on behalf of the recipient.

Scholarships for the First Round will be awarded at the **December, 2021** MACC Board of Directors meeting. Scholarships for the Second Round will be awarded at the **April, 2022** MACC Board of Directors meeting. All winning candidates are expected to attend this meeting unless academic courses interfere.