



Grand Lodge
BENEVOLENT, PATRIOTIC ORDER OF DOES
of the
U.S.A.

Grand Lodge Academic and Merit Scholarship

Eligibility:

- The applicant must either be a DOE in good standing **or** be related to a DOE in good standing. If the DOE to whom the applicant is related passed away within one (1) year prior to the applicant's submission of the scholarship application, the applicant will still be considered related to a DOE in good standing.
- The applicant must have been accepted to, or be currently attending, an accredited college or university.
- Scholarship recipients will be selected based on a combination of academic achievement, extracurricular activities, employment history, volunteer and community service involvement.
- The applicant must **not** have previously received a scholarship from the Grand Lodge, Benevolent, Patriotic Order of Does. Applicants who were previously awarded this scholarship but did not qualify for completion of their undergraduate education are **not eligible** to reapply.

Requirements for maintaining the scholarship:

- Show proof of a B/3.0 average at the end of the current school year – **official transcript**.
- Show proof of enrollment for the following school year – **on the school's letterhead**.

Application Review and Selection Process – All scholarship applications will be reviewed by a panel of selected Past Supreme Presidents. The review will be conducted using a **blind selection process**, ensuring fairness and impartiality by evaluating applicants solely on submitted materials.

Four-Year Bachelor's Degree Program – The total scholarship amount for a four-year undergraduate degree is distributed as follows:

- **Enrollment Requirement** – Enrollment in an accredited college or university must be **continuous for consecutive academic years** at the undergraduate level.
- **Award Distribution Schedule:**
 - **First Year \$2,000** – Awarded regardless of undergraduate designation (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, or Senior).
 - **Second Year \$4,000** – Awarded regardless of undergraduate designation (Sophomore, Junior, or Senior).
 - **Third Year \$6,000** – Awarded regardless of undergraduate designation (Junior or Senior).
 - **Fourth Year \$8,000**

Two-Year Degree or Trade School Program – The total scholarship amount for a two-year degree or trade school program distributed as follows:



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- **Enrollment Requirement** – Enrollment in the two-year degree or trade school program must be **continuous**.
- **Award Distribution Schedule:**
 - **First Year \$3,000** - Awarded regardless of whether the student is in their first or second year of enrollment.
 - **Second Year \$7,000**

Payment Schedule

- Scholarship payments will be issued **directly to the accredited college or trade school**.
- Payments will be made twice annually, in **August and December**.

Summer School Policy

- Enrollment in summer school programs is **not eligible** for scholarship funding.
- This policy applies regardless of whether summer enrollment accelerates degree completion or is required to fulfill remaining coursework for graduation.

The following information must be enclosed with this application, leaving no question on the application unanswered:

1. A copy of an **official** transcript (sealed) from your most recent school.
2. A letter of recommendation from two or more, i.e., principal, administrator, pastor, guidance counselor, teacher, employer, etc. This **excludes** any recommendation from a family member.
3. Documentation of all honors, awards, and volunteer services (copies accepted). Confirmation of volunteer hours must be on the organization's **letterhead and signed by a supervisor**. Confirmation of work hours must be on the organization's **letterhead and signed by a supervisor**.

***** All items must be attached for the scholarship application to be considered! *****

Applications must be **POSTMARKED** no later than **June 1st**. Please mail your application to:

PSP Trill Norris, 1737 Mulmar Street, Charleston, SC 29407 * any questions
trill.norris@gmail.com *****

Scholarship recipients will be announced in the Convention Issue of *DOES Talk*, posted on the Grand Lodge website and our Facebook page.