

The Thomas E. Avent College Scholarship Fund

GENERAL GUIDELINES

The Cape Fear Council – Scouting America is proud to offer this scholarship program in the eight counties served by our council organization. As an organization with a strong sense of community, this scholarship is just one of the ways the Cape Fear Council expresses its commitment to the southeastern North Carolina area. We look forward to the future with a commitment to growth and to the educational endeavors of our local young people.

1. Eligible high school seniors wishing to be considered must complete the appropriate application information forms which are attached. All applicants must be registered Scouts and demonstrate financial need.
2. An official high school transcript of student grades from the beginning of ninth grade to the application deadline must accompany the completed application. The transcript must bear the original signature of the appropriate high school authority.
3. A certified copy of the student's SAT and/or ACT scores must accompany the completed application.
4. Three letters of recommendation must accompany the completed application as follows:
 - a. Signed letter of recommendation from a high school teacher or administrator at the applicant's school.
 - b. Signed letter of recommendation from the registered adult leader of the applicant's Scouting unit.
 - c. Signed letter of recommendation from a community individual NOT related to the applicant.

The writers of all recommendation letters should be capable of reporting on the applicant's participation in the community in terms of work, service, leadership, notable skills, and outstanding recognition.

5. Student Aid Report (SAR) showing the amount of financial aid that applicant qualifies for from college attending must be submitted with application. This information will be used to document financial need of applicant. In case of a close decision, demonstrated financial need will be deciding factor.
6. Copy of acceptance letter from college attending must be submitted with application.
7. Application Deadline is June 23, 2025.
Final Decision and Announcement of Recipient will be July 7, 2025.
Scholarship Funding to be made available to Recipients College or University by August 1, 2025.
8. Return the application and supporting materials to the Cape Fear Council by June 23, 2025 at this address:

Cape Fear Council – Scouting America
Avent College Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 7156
Wilmington, NC 28406

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MERITS OF ACADEMICS AND LEADERSHIP FOR APPLICANT
(Criteria for Consideration)

The Thomas E. Avent College Scholarship will be awarded to a deserving high school senior. Eligibility requirements include, but are not limited to the following criteria:

1. Current enrollment as a high school senior with a current Grade Point Average of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale.
2. Submission of the application by the designated deadline to the Cape Fear Council. No applications received after deadline will be considered.
3. Scholarship funds to be given toward a two-year community college or four-year college program. Scholarship funds will be awarded for first-year only at an accredited college, university or two-year community college.
4. Personal interview to be conducted if requested by the Avent Scholarship Committee.

General Information:

Applicant's Full Name _____ Social Security Number _____

Address _____

Home Telephone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

Father's Full Name _____ Mother's Full Name _____

Include parent(s) guardian/caregiver addresses and phone numbers only if different from applicant.

Address _____ Address _____

Home Telephone # _____ Home Telephone # _____

Identify Colleges/Universities to which you have been accepted: 1. _____

Date of High School Graduation: _____ 2. _____

Scout Troop Number _____ 3. _____

Please state why you have a financial need:

Applicant's Signature _____ Date: _____

By signing this application, applicant agrees that if awarded a scholarship, applicant's name, photo and scholarship award may be published by the Cape Fear Council, and applicant agrees to participate in the same.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING HIGH SCHOOL

NOTE: Extra pages can be attached if needed.

Scholastic Leadership Activities:

* Honors & Awards (state nature of award & year)

* Offices & Positions of Leadership (state name of organization and year)

* School related extracurricular activities

Non-School Related Civic Activities:

* Honors & Awards (state nature of award & year)

* Offices & Positions of Leadership (state name of organization and year)

* Volunteer and Service-related activities (list year for each)

Scouting Accomplishments:

*** Honors & Awards Achieved**

*** Positions of Leadership Held**

*** Service to Community**

ESSAY PORTION
(500 Words or Less)

The Cape Fear Council – Scouting America strives to develop character, citizenship, leadership skills, integrity and love of God and country in the lives of young people and in other ways to prepare them to make ethical choices over their lifetime by instilling values based on those found in the Scout Oath and Law. In the years ahead, you alone have the critical responsibility for your development. Your college experience will demand a higher level of this responsibility as you learn, grow and make choices for your life. Looking back, what worthwhile and meaningful impact do you see yourself leaving on your peers and your community as a result of what you learned through your experiences in the Scouting program? How will you use this experience to provide yourself with a worthwhile and meaningful college education? Please attach your response in the form of a short essay of 500 words or less.