

David Robie Memorial Scholarship Annual Scholarship Application 2024

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| signing above you give authorization to the Franklin County Chamber o Irmation for purposes of promoting the David Robie Memorial Scholars | · | ır name and application |

- On a separate piece of paper, please provide an essay describing: Your personal goals and aspirations after college and how your education and talents could benefit the business environment in Franklin County. (minimum 200 / maximum 300 words)
- Please also attach a letter of reference from an adult non-family member.

Applications must be submitted by Friday, April 5, 2024, no later than 12 p.m.



David Robie Memorial Scholarship Franklin County Chamber of Commerce

2024 Scholarship Program Requirements

- 1. The purpose of the David Robie Memorial Scholarship Program is to encourage continuing and/or higher education for Franklin County residents through financial assistance.
- 2. Scholarships are open to any resident of Franklin County who has resided in the County for at least the prior 12 months. Individuals may be asked to show proof of having Franklin County as their principal residence for the prior 12 months. Examples of such proof are a driver's license or utility bills for a year showing a local address.
- 3. Scholarships may be awarded to any High School graduate (regular or home schooled) who is attending (or planning to attend) any accredited, post-secondary school. This may include recent HS graduates or older citizens returning to school. A High School equivalency test (GED) is acceptable.
- 4. Family members of the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce Board or Franklin County Chamber of Commerce employees are eligible for the scholarships. Employees and Board Members themselves are NOT eligible.
- 5. The Chamber will offer Scholarships to one or more individuals this year. The Scholarships may be for any post-secondary schooling providing the student attends full-time (approximately 12 credit hours/semester) or has matriculated in a degree program. Individuals may apply for a second Scholarship in a subsequent year. Individuals are limited to receiving no more than one Scholarship per 12 months and no more than two Scholarships in a lifetime. Scholarships may be used for any expense related to education including tuition, books, lab fees, and on-campus housing. There are no "major" requirements. Scholarships may be used for on-line courses if toward their degree.
- 6. Scholarships, although awarded in the spring, will be paid directly to the individual recipient upon successful completion of the fall semester. The student must have averaged a C or better (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) overall on all courses taken for the semester.
- 7. Applications will be available on-line at the Chamber website and at all local High Schools and Technical Schools. Applications can also be obtained at the Chamber office. Applications must be submitted by Friday, April 5, 2024, no later than 12 p.m. The applications are reviewed by the FCCOC Scholarship Committee for a recommendation to the FCCOC Board at the May meeting. The scholarships are awarded in early June. The award will be given at school or at a photo op with the Board. If awarded before graduation, the Scholarships are contingent on the student graduating from High School.
- 8. Recognizing that not all students and colleges fall neatly into the fall/spring semester schedule, the FCCOC Scholarship Committee may adjust the timing of these requirements and payments as long as the intent of the program is followed.



Applications Must Include:

- 1. An Application Form
- 2. A most recent High School or College transcript
- 3. An acceptance letter from the College planning to attend, if not presently a College student
- 4. A written reference letter from any adult non-family member
- 5. A release to use the applicant's name and application information in publicity
- 6. A <u>minimum</u> 200/<u>maximum</u> 300 word essay describing: *Your personal goals and aspirations after college and how your education and talents could benefit the business environment in Franklin County.*
- 7. If under the age of 18 at time of application, the application must be signed by a parent or guardian.

Logic, research, practicality, spelling, grammar, accurate word count, and neatness all count. Failure to follow the above requirements will result in disqualification.

The Scholarship Award will be primarily based on the point system below (<u>all</u> requirements above must be submitted before an application can be considered). It is expected that the Scholarship committee will reach consensus on the point scoring. The Committee (and the Board) may also consider other circumstances in giving the award however; "need" should not be a consideration.

1. Previous grades

10% (Assign points 1-10)

2. Extracurricular activities, civic activities or relevant work experience (bonus points for leadership/officer positions)

50% (Assign points 1-50)

3. Essay

40% (Assign points 1-40)

The Scholarship program will be reviewed annually and revised as necessary. The Board may modify these procedures and policies at any time. The Board also reserves the right to meet with a candidate when it is felt it would be necessary or appropriate to complete the decision process.

Please submit completed forms to:

Franklin County Chamber of Commerce PO Box 123 Farmington, ME 04938

Applications and supporting materials are due at the Franklin County Chamber Office by Friday, April 5, 2024, no later than 12p.m.