

## **HOPE Foundation of Darke County Scholarship Application**

### **Instructions:**

To be eligible for a HOPE Foundation scholarship, please fill out and submit this application by June 1 of the student's senior year of high school. One application allows you to be considered by the HOPE Scholarship Committee for all of the HOPE scholarships. Please be advised that honesty is very important to the Scholarship Committee. They in turn will offer you confidentiality throughout this process. Some scholarships but not all are evaluated under need-based considerations. Every effort is made to award at least one scholarship to each school district.

The HOPE Foundation uses a reimbursement method of awarding scholarships. Approved applicants will be sent a request for further information proving their college success and enrollment verification in the spring of their freshman college year. The actual award for the winners will be presented at a meeting in June of that year. In 2010, \$73,800 in scholarship funds were awarded to students representing every Darke County school district. The average award for each student was \$1,800.

If you have any questions, please contact the HOPE Foundation president, Christy Praker, at (937) 548-4673 or [hopefoundation@woh.rr.com](mailto:hopefoundation@woh.rr.com).

This form is to be completed and sent by **June 1<sup>st</sup>** to:

**HOPE Foundation of Darke County  
P.O. Box 438  
Greenville, OH 45331**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

You will be contacted next winter if the Committee would like to request further information to consider you for a HOPE Scholarship. If your home address, phone or e-mail will be different than above, please explain below.

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Name of high school \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' names \_\_\_\_\_

## Financial Information

1. How do you intend to pay for college? (Please include any scholarships or grants you have been awarded thus far, how much money you have saved, how much in loans you anticipate having to seek, financial aid outlook, parental contribution)

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Annual cost (tuition/fees/room & board) for school you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

2. In the space below, please indicate your family's adjusted gross income from last year's federal income tax return. This information will remain confidential.

_____ Under \$15,000	_____ \$60,000 - \$85,000
_____ \$15,000 - \$30,000	_____ \$85,000 - \$100,000
_____ \$30,000 - \$45,000	_____ \$100,000 - \$150,000
_____ \$45,000 - \$60,000	_____ Over \$150,000

Number of children in family \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children in high school next year \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children in college next year \_\_\_\_\_

3. Did you fill out a FAFSA form (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)? \_\_\_\_\_  
*If yes, please attach report that states your EFC number (Estimated Family Contribution).*

4. List any special circumstances that you want the committee to be aware of that affects the household's financial situation. (Disability, medical expenses, child support obligations, etc.)

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### **Student Information**

1. List what course of study you plan to pursue. \_\_\_\_\_

2. List what schools you are actively considering and if you have been accepted.

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3. Attach a list of school and community activities that you participated in throughout your high school career. Please also include if applicable:
  - An employment history with employer and number of hours worked per week.
  - If you are a past or present member of 4-H, please identify your club, name of advisor, years participated, list of leadership positions held and projects completed.
  - If you are a past or present member of marching band, how many years did you participate and what instrument did you play?
  - If you are a member of FFA, please identify leadership positions and awards.
  - If you have attended a vocational school, please identify school and any honors, awards or leadership positions.
  - Any awards, honors or special experiences that may be relevant to your college potential.
  
4. High school grade point average (GPA) \_\_\_\_\_ Rank in class \_\_\_\_\_  
Highest ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_ Date OGT was successfully completed \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. Please furnish a picture with this application.
  
6. In a typed essay (max. one page), describe why you deserve a HOPE Foundation Scholarship. Direct comments toward your motivation, need (financial or otherwise), leadership and academic accomplishments. You may describe a special talent, discuss creative or challenging activities you have initiated, or describe obstacles you have overcome to achieve your goals.
  
7. Please send your 4-year transcript of grades as soon as they are available but no later June 30th. This may include any college credit you have earned. Transcript may be sent directly from the guidance counselor at your high school; however, it is the student's responsibility to make sure transcript has been provided to the HOPE Foundation.