



Scholarships Instructions

2017-2018

The Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women (MCSW) will be awarding four (4) \$500 scholarships for the 2017-2018 academic school year. Eligible applicants must meet the following criteria:

- 1. High School Senior or Cameron University Student**
- 2. Female Student**
- 3. Resident of Comanche County**

Eligible applicants must be enrolled in a full or part-time post-secondary program for the 2017-2018 academic school year. The award will be based on scholastic merit and community involvement. Students who are accepted to a service academy or receive a full scholarship may not accept the MCSW scholarship. An applicant who becomes eligible for and accepts a scholarship in the aforementioned categories must forego the MCSW award. The recipient may not defer this award for a future academic year. In either case, the award will be granted to the next leading alternate.

Please print and fill out the application and provide the following documents to complete your scholarship packet:

- **Part 1: Transcripts**
 - Attach an **Official Sealed Transcript** of your grades covering the first seven (7) semester of high school (through the first semester of your senior year) and SAT and/or ACT scores.
 - Attach an **Official Sealed College Transcript**
- **Part 2: One Separate sheet of paper (printed), include the following:**
 - All of your extracurricular activities, honors, church activities, community service and employment and the dates for each activity. Additionally, please include the number of hours contributed toward each activity.
 - Every high school/ college (and location) that you have attended.

- **Part 3:** Essay Instructions: On a second sheet of paper (printed), in 300 to 500 words, answer the following question. **Please note that essays exceeding 500 words will not be considered.**

In 300 to 500 words discuss an issue, concern or challenge you believe we are facing in our community. What skills and resources could be used to resolve it? Discuss how your current and future academic and extra-curricular activities might help you make a difference in our community.

- **Part 4:** College Applications and Acceptance. On a third piece of paper (printed) include the following:
 - Colleges to which you have applied
 - Colleges to which you have been accepted.
- **Part 5:** Letter of Recommendation
 - Please include one (1) letter of recommendation from a school counselor, teacher, employer or community leader. This letter of recommendation must be included with the application packet in a sealed envelope marked **Part 5** and must include the recommender's telephone number and address where they can be reached.

Race, color, sex, national origin or financial need will not influence the selection of the recipients. Scholarship awards are based solely on scholastic merit and community involvement.

All decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final.

The COMPLETED application with ALL required documentation and requested information must be postmarked by March 27, 2017 to be considered. The application and all of the necessary documents should be included in one envelope as a complete scholarship application packet. Scholarship packets postmarked after March 27, 2017 will be disqualified.

Mail completed application packet to:

**Lynn Null
MCSW Scholarship Chair
611 SW C Ave.
Lawton, OK 73501**

Mayor's Commission of the Status of Women Scholarship Application and Agreement

In the event that I am offered and accept a scholarship from the Mayor's Commission of the Status of Women (MCSW) I, _____, pledge that if I accept an appointment at a service academy or a full scholarship that I will immediately notify the MCSW and will have my university return the scholarship check to the MCSW. This applies to any full scholarship to any post-secondary institution for the 2017-2018 academic year. I understand that I may not defer this award to a future academic year. Please initial the following below:

- ____ I understand that money awarded by MCSW is restricted for payment of tuition, fees, and that any other use of these funds is considered fraud.
- ____ I understand that if I fail to enroll at an accredited post-secondary institution in fall of 2017, I must immediately notify the MCSW and the institution to return the award.
- ____ I understand the award check will be made out in the name of the school that I will be attending in the fall of 2017 and mailed directly to that school's Bursar or Business Office.
- ____ I understand that I/or a representative must attend the Comanche County Women of the Year event on Saturday, **April 29, 2017 at 6:00pm** at Lawton City Hall Ball Room.

I (parent's signature) _____ certify that my son/daughter, meet the eligibility requirements as stated in the application and I agree to the terms listed above.

Application	
Print Name:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	
E-mail Address:	
High School (HS) Information:	
--- HS Name:	
--- HS Address & Phone:	
--- HS Guidance Counselor Name:	
Signature of Parent/Guardian	Date:
Applicant Signature:	Date:
Name of school Applicant will attend in Fall 2017 (leave blank if student has not made a decision):	

I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING THE ENCLOSED SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT, IF I AM AWARDED THIS SCHOLARSHIP, I WILL ABIDE BY THE TERMS STIPULATED.

Signature of Applicant_____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

APPLICATIONS MUST TO BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE March 27, 2017.

REGRETS WILL BE MAILED AFTER May 1, 2017*