



Above Average Scholarship Fund Memorandum of Understanding and Guidelines

Andrea Lee, of Alliance, Ohio hereby delivers to the Greater Alliance Foundation, an Ohio non-profit 501 c 3 organization, the sum of \$500.00 on April 2, 2021, for the Foundation's charitable, educational, and public purposes.

1. This gift hereby creates a scholarship fund as provided for in the Greater Alliance Foundation's Regulations and Policies, subject to all terms and conditions contained therein. Said Fund shall be named the ***Above Average Scholarship Fund***.
2. The ***Above Average Scholarship Fund*** is subject to Variance Power, providing the Greater Alliance Foundation's Board of Trustees the right to modify any restrictions or conditions contained therein, and any amendments or additions made.
3. The Foundation agrees to administer and distribute the ***Above Average Scholarship Fund*** in accordance with the attached Selection Requirements and Criteria.
4. Annually, the Greater Alliance Foundation will report to Andrea Lee and the Above Average Scholarship Committee, or its successor(s), the fund balance, and all fund activity, including distributions and contributions.
5. The Scholarship Fund may be assessed an administrative fee in accordance with the GAF Administrative Fee Schedule, as amended from time to time.
6. Once a written recommendation from the Scholarship Committee is received, GAF will award the Scholarship ensuring that the established Scholarship Selection Requirements and Criteria are followed.

7. The Greater Alliance Foundation will disperse the scholarship award in a manner that ensures the funds are used as follows:
- a. The Above Average Scholarship will be awarded to a qualified female student in the Alliance area with a GPA of 2.5 or higher. Initially, the scholarship will be given to a student graduating from Alliance High School. The scholarship will be expanded to other area schools in the future.
 - b. The recipient will provide proof of enrollment in a two-year or four-year accredited institution in the field of their choice.
 - c. The scholarship award will be used for tuition and fees required for enrollment and will be paid directly to the educational institution, not the student.

By: _____
 Andrea Lee, Donor Date

The **Greater Alliance Foundation** is a non-profit community foundation that has been recognized as a tax-exempt organization under the Internal Revenue Section 501 c 3. The Greater Alliance Foundation agrees to administer this scholarship and acknowledges the receipt of \$500.00 (*five- hundred dollars*) to establish the ***Above Average Scholarship Fund***.

THE GREATER ALLIANCE FOUNDATION

By: _____
 Douglas R. Schwarz, Executive Director Date



Above Average Scholarship



The Above Average scholarship was established at the Greater Alliance Foundation in April 2021 by Andrea Lee of Alliance, Ohio with the goal to motivate and inspire females to overcome obstacles in their lives, pursue their educational goals and reach their full potential.

Recipients of the ***Above Average Scholarship*** will be chosen with the hope and expectation that they will persist in their educational pursuits, excel in the career of their choice, and become successful leaders in their communities.

Application Instructions

1. Provide thorough answers and required documentation.
2. The scholarship application must be typed or neatly handwritten.
3. Scholarship applications will be submitted by (--date--) to:

Scholarship | 2805 Ridgewood Ave. | Alliance, Ohio 44601
info@greateralliancefoundation.org

Scholarship Selection Committee

Andrea Lee, Chairperson	Lee Mainwaring
Libby Patterson	Heidi Wilson
Marie Minnich	Taylor Battershell

Requirements

- Applicants will be female graduating seniors from the greater Alliance area with a GPA of 2.5 or higher.
- The Scholarship Selection Committee will consider the applicant's desire to achieve, to persist, and to accomplish her goals.
- The scholarship recipient will provide proof of enrollment in a two-year or four-year accredited institution in the field of their choice.
- The scholarship will be used for tuition and fees required for enrollment and will be paid directly to the educational institution.
- The recipient will provide an annual update regarding challenges, successes, and discovery during her course of study.

Scholarship Application Essay

1. Self-Introduction
 - Please tell us about yourself and why you should be considered for the ***Above Average Scholarship***.
2. Academic Performance and Accomplishments
 - Provide information that addresses your academic performance and your ability to continue to make satisfactory academic performance.
 - List any life goals and accomplishments.
 - List accomplishments related to your career and course of study.
 - Submit an official copy of your transcript.
3. Academic Potential
 - Provide information or examples that demonstrate your academic potential.
 - Address barriers you have faced related to your goals.
4. Financial Need

*The **Above Average Scholarship** is not solely based on financial need. Financial need will be measured by the cost of the education compared to the applicant's financial resources.*

 - Submit a copy of your FAFSA information.
 - If applicable, please provide information that addresses your need for financial assistance.

5. Describe how you will use the scholarship and how it will help you achieve your educational goals, if awarded.
6. Indicate why you should be selected as a recipient of the ***Above Average Scholarship***.
7. List Community Service and School Involvement
The applicant's commitment to her school or community can be demonstrated through volunteer service, citizenship, extracurricular activities, and/or involvement related to your field of study.
8. Field of Study
 - Express why you chose your field of study.
 - Define your career goals and aspirations.
 - Please indicate if you are working or volunteering in your area of study at the present time.
9. Submit additional information if applicable to your eligibility.

The Above Average scholarship is for eligible female students. In making the selection, the Scholarship Selection Committee shall not consider the applicant's race, age, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, ethnicity, or disabilities.

