

ELEANOR McDILL TOOTLE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

GUIDELINES

SCHOLARSHIP PURPOSE:

Eleanor M. Tootle was a dedicated teacher in the Chillicothe City Schools and born, raised and educated in the City of Circleville, Ohio. It is her wish that a Scholarship Fund be established, at the time of her death, to assist graduating Pickaway County and Ross County Seniors planning to pursue course work beyond high school. It is in her memory that these Scholarships are awarded. Scholarships will be awarded annually on the basis of merit, those judged to have merit and evidence of financial need.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Any graduating senior from Pickaway or Ross County Ohio who has achieved an accumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher after seven semesters is eligible. This includes all members of the class whether they are enrolled at any Pickaway or Ross County high school full-time or have chosen to attend the Pickaway Ross Joint Vocational School. Students who have chosen to graduate early, ahead of their class, will not be eligible according to the early graduation contract.
2. Applicants must be planning to pursue education after high school at either a junior college, two (2) year community college, Four (4) year public or private university, technical college/school or accredited proprietary school.
3. Students must submit the required application, two (2) letters of recommendation (1 classroom teacher, 1 individual from the community), transcripts with attached ACT test scores, and the required essay in order to be eligible for a scholarship. The essay topic will be changed every year by the Eleanor McDill Tootle Scholarship Fund Selection Committee.
4. Applications, recommendations, transcripts, and the required essay must be submitted to the High School Principal by the deadline established by the Eleanor McDill Tootle Scholarship Fund Selection Committee. Applications received after the determined date will not be accepted or considered.

SCHOLARSHIP ADMINISTRATION

1. The Eleanor McDill Tootle Scholarship Fund Selection Committee shall consist of Charles Pockras, or his designee, Joel Gerber, or his designee, Thomas F. Tootle, or his designee, Circleville City School superintendent, or his designee, Pickaway County School superintendent, or his designee, Chillicothe City School superintendent, or his designee, and Ross County School superintendent, or his designee. The Selection Committee shall choose who will chair the committee. The named individuals being Charles Pockras, Joel Gerber, and Thomas F. Tootle, shall not be replaced upon their resignation or inability to serve on the Scholarship Fund Selection Committee.
2. Scholarships awarded are for one (1) year only and are not renewable.
3. Of the awarded scholarship money, at least one-half (1/2) must be awarded based on merit alone.
4. Merit shall be determined on the following basis:
 - 40 Points Accumulated Grade Point Average after seven (7) semesters
 - 10 Points ACT Composite Score
 - 10 Points Required Essay
 - 10 Points Letters of Recommendation (2)
 - 10 Points School Attendance and Citizenship
 - 10 Points School Activities/Leadership/Service
 - 10 Points Community Activities/Leadership/Service
 - 100 Points
5. The Eleanor McDill Tootle Scholarship Fund Selection Committee shall consider a broad range of factors when making scholarship awards, including the following: (this list is not intended to restrict or limit the selection committee, but is given merely for the purpose of expressing the factors which Eleanor McDill Tootle considered in creating the Eleanor McDill Tootle Scholarship Fund the weight given to each factor, and the inclusion of additional factors is completely within the discretion of the Scholarship Fund Selection Committee.) Notwithstanding the foregoing, and in accordance with the wishes of Eleanor McDill Tootle, the following factors are to be included:

A. Grades

- B. Character,
 - C. Extra-curricular activities and or work experience
 - D. Service
 - E. Leadership
 - F. Other resources for financial assistance
6. To receive payment for the scholarship, the student must present a copy of his/her tuition bill to the Trustee of the Eleanor M. Tootle Trust. The scholarship check will then be sent to the student, payable to the student and the university.
7. The decisions of the Eleanor McDill Tootle Scholarship Fund Selection Committee shall be final, and shall be at the sole discretion of the selection committee.

APPROVAL BY ELEANOR MCDILL TOOTLE

The foregoing statement of scholarship purpose, eligibility, and scholarship administration were approved by Eleanor McDill Tootle the 19th of May, 2000, and are subject to review and revision by the Eleanor M. Tootle Scholarship Fund Selection Committee by majority vote.


ELEANOR M. TOOTLE