

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Description: The Waterloo Community Access TV (“WCATV”) Scholarship Program awards one \$500 scholarship annually.

Qualifications: To qualify for the WCATV Scholarship Program, the applicant must be a high school graduate and reside in the City of Waterloo or the Town of Portland. The applicant must be planning to attend an in-state or out-of-state post-secondary academic or vocational program at a college, university, technical school, trade school or vocational school. Scholarship applicants may reapply for the WCATV scholarship every year they are in school.

Scholarship Committee: The Scholarship Committee consists of the WCATV Board of Directors. The Committee selects a winner and a runner-up.

Award Criteria: The WCATV Scholarship Program is aimed primarily at providing assistance to high school graduates who show potential for success in post-secondary programs involving broadcast journalism or similar programs. Good grades are a plus, but the Scholarship Committee also considers hands-on experience and educational career goals.

Use of Scholarship Funds: Scholarship monies will be paid directly to the recipient’s institution of higher learning. Scholarship recipients must provide WCATV evidence of enrollment at an institution before the monies will be sent. The institution will be requested to administer the funds on behalf of the recipient. The funds may be used for registration, tuition, books, fees, and room and board. Any monies not used by the recipient will revert to WCATV.

Deadline for Applying: Applications must arrive at the WCATV office on or before April 15th. No late applications will be accepted. If mailing your application, allow plenty of time for mail delivery. Applications may be faxed prior to the deadline, provided that the original application is then mailed.

Announcement of Scholarship Winner: The WCATV will announce the scholarship recipient by June 1. Recipients will be contacted by a WCATV representative.

YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PACKET MUST INCLUDE:

1. **Completed Application.** Answer each question as thoroughly as you can. Attach additional sheets of paper, if necessary.
2. **Letter of Application.** This should contain background information about yourself and your family, interesting places you have lived, interests and hobbies, and your plans for the future. Also include an expected school budget outlining school costs and, if living off-campus, housing, food, entertainment and transportation costs. This gives the committee an idea of your level of need.
3. **Transcript of Your Grades.** A Release of Records form is included in this packet. It will authorize your school to provide you with a transcript of your grades from your permanent file. Be sure to attached signed Release of Records form to your transcript.
4. **Letters of Recommendation.** Include two letters of recommendation from individuals other than family members and relatives. A teacher, coach, minister, employer, co-worker or WCATV employee are a few examples.
5. **Other Helpful Information.** Include any other information about yourself that you think may be helpful to the scholarship committee. For instance, you might attach copies of newspaper articles about your achievements, certificates you have received, activities you have been involved in during recent years, and honors and awards you have received.

When you have collected all of your materials, return your application packet to your high school guidance counselor, or deliver or mail it to Waterloo Community Access TV. Applications must arrive at the WCATV office on or before April 15th. No late applications will be accepted. If mailing your WCATV application, allow plenty of time for mail delivery. Our address is:

Waterloo Community Access TV
Scholarship Committee
136 N. Monroe Street
Waterloo, WI 53594

RELEASE OF RECORDS

I, _____, the parent of _____,

Hereby authorize the _____ School District to release a copy of
my child's permanent high school record to:

Waterloo Community Access TV
Scholarship Committee
136 N. Monroe Street
Waterloo, WI 53594

Parent's Signature

Date

2012 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

1. Full name: _____
2. Address: _____
3. Name of high school: _____ Year of graduation: _____
4. How many years have you attended school in Waterloo? _____
5. Names of parents: _____
6. What college or trade school are you planning to attend? _____

Please check one: I am applying I have been accepted I am now attending

7. What is your major area of study? Explain fully what this scholarship will be used for.

8. What are your vocational or career goals? Please explain as fully as you can.

9. List high school/college activities in which you are or have been involved.

10. List offices held and positions of responsibility assumed in high school and/or college.

11. What sort of activities are you involved in outside of school? _____

12. Honors and awards received: _____

13. Please describe your employment experience (summer and after school):

| <u>Employer</u> | <u>Type of Work</u> | <u>Dates</u> |
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14. What other information about yourself do you feel might help the committee with their decision? Use a separate sheet of paper, if necessary, and attach it to this application.

15. Applicant's signature: _____

16. Date of application: _____