

# VALLEY CENTER FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

2012

Valley Center First United Methodist Church distributes Scholarships in recognition of the contributions made and yet to be made by members of this congregation. These awards affirm our church's belief in the potential ability and integrity of our members, and represent the church's effort to help them continue their formal education. Scholarships are awarded based on a variety of criteria, including the applicant's involvement in worship and study opportunities within the First United Methodist Church of Valley Center, participation in other religious based school organizations, his or her commitment to the Christian Faith, and academic progress.

Rules governing scholarship awards:

1. Scholarships are awarded to **ACTIVE MEMBERS** in good standing or Valley Center First United Methodist Church who have graduated or will graduate from high school before the scholarships are awarded.
2. Applicant must be a full-time student...12 hours minimum per semester or equivalent. No summer sessions will be funded.
3. Scholarships will be limited to 5 years of undergraduate study at an accredited college, vo-tech school, or other qualifying institution. Students entering seminary are subject to other guidelines.
4. High School Seniors must be active in some aspect of the church. The committee will discuss with the youth director the student's involvement in youth group program and/or other ministries of the church.
5. Checks are drawn jointly to the student and to the school of choice, and presented prior to the fall semester. If the year for which payment is made is not completed, the student is responsible for full reimbursement to the committee. (Extenuating circumstances are recognized.)
6. Evaluation criteria for college students applying for scholarships will center on their application form and written statement. The criteria will be based on the applicant's contributions, responsibilities, and participation in the church, and community as well as personal and professional goals, potential for personal growth, and grades from the previous semester(s).
7. Completed applications and written statements are to be directed to the Higher Education Committee and received in the church office on or before April 17, 2011.
8. Parents of scholarship recipients are expected to help serve the annual Higher Education Steak Dinner and assist with the annual Church Garage Sale.

# APPLICATION FOR FUMCVC SCHOLARSHIP YEAR \_\_\_\_\_

Your application is due no later than April 15, 2012.

<<Please Complete ALL blanks, including GPA and Financial Information>>

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

Parents Names \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

Father's Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of the FUMCVC? YES NO If YES, for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you attend church regularly? YES NO If Not, why? \_\_\_\_\_

What other household members will be attending college and where? \_\_\_\_\_

Will he/she be applying for an FUMCVC scholarship this year? \_\_\_\_\_

High School Attended \_\_\_\_\_ Year Grad. \_\_\_\_\_ Overall GPA \_\_\_\_\_

College(s) Attended \_\_\_\_\_

Dates Attended \_\_\_\_\_

College to be attended this fall \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Admissions Phone \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

Major Field(s) of interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be a full-time student? (12 or more hours) YES NO How many hours will you be taking? \_\_\_\_\_  
Graduate students (six hours minimum).

When do you expect to graduate? December 201\_\_\_\_ May 201\_\_\_\_

Estimated college expenses for the year: Tuition \$\_\_\_\_\_ Rm & Bd \$\_\_\_\_\_ Books \$\_\_\_\_\_

List all of the financial aid or scholarships you are receiving along with the dollar amount of each. List all financial aid or scholarships for which you have applied this semester and \*\* to indicate this.

\_\_\_\_\_ \$\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$\_\_\_\_\_

(Please use the back of page if needed.)

(Please write "None" if you have not applied for any other scholarship or assistance.)

SHOULD CIRCUMSTANCES PREVENT MY ENROLLMENT AND/OR ATTENDANCE IN SCHOOL THIS YEAR, I UNDERSTAND I WILL BE REQUIRED TO **REFUND THE AMOUNT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP** TO THE APPROPRIATE SCHOLARSHIP FUND IMMEDIATELY. (The amount to be returned will be prorated on the length of time the student attended college that semester.)

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature is required)

**Please note-**The following three (3) requests are **REQUIREMENTS** of this scholarship application. If you do not complete this section, your application will not be reviewed.

**1. Please list below all church activities in this church in which you have been involved since your FRESHMAN year of high school.**

**OR**

If you have been out of high school for 2 or more years, please list below activities in which you have participated in the church you are now regularly attending and/or list campus Christian activities in which you are involved. Please give the name and address of the church you are now attending.

Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Minister's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please List Here:**

**2. Please include your most current college transcript.**

**3. Please write an essay of 250 words (or more) addressing the following topic.**

*How has your involvement in the Church better prepared you for your future?*

<<Please attach your essay to this application>>

Return to: Higher Education Committee  
First United Methodist Church  
560 N. Park  
Valley Center, KS 67147

Church FAX: (316)755-2788

Your application is due no later than April 15, 2012. Parents of scholarship recipients are expected to help serve the annual Higher Education Steak Dinner and assist with the annual Church Garage Sale.