

Shearman Foundation Scholarship

The intent of the Shearman Foundation Scholarship (formerly Lake Charles American Press Scholarship) is to identify young men and women who demonstrate average (or above average) academic ability and desire a college education, but have need of financial assistance to pursue a college education. Each public high school in Calcasieu Parish and St. Louis Catholic is asked to help facilitate this process by selecting a qualified student. One graduating student from each of the high schools will be awarded a two-semester scholarship. The name of the winner will be withheld from the general public until the award presentation. The scholarship shall be presented by a school representative at the spring graduation exercises or award ceremonies of these schools.

- I. Criteria for Selection of Applicant
 - A. Each applicant must be a U.S. citizen and a senior in high school, with a desire to attend McNeese State University.
 - B. Each applicant must have maintained at least a 2.5 average out of a possible 4.0 throughout his/her high school career.
 - C. School involvement; leadership qualities.
 - D. Financial Need.

- II. Supporting Documentation (Scholarship Application)
 - A. Personal Data (completed by the student)
 1. Background information
 2. Essay (250 words or less) entitled: "Why I Want a College Education"
 3. Financial Need
 - B. School Data (completed by the high school counselor)
 1. Transcript of grades
 - a. GPA
 - b. Standardized test scores
 2. Conduct, character at school
 3. Involvement in school activities
 4. Leadership activities

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Scholarship Application

Name: _____ SS Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone No. _____

Name of Parents/Guardian: _____

Family Income: _____ \$35,000 (or less) Number in Family _____

_____ \$50,000 (or less) Number in Family _____

_____ \$65,000 (or less) Number in Family _____

College major: _____

Have you accepted other scholarship(s) to McNeese? Yes No

If yes, give type and amount of award(s): _____

Are you classified as a resident of Louisiana? Yes No

Name of High School: _____

High School Graduation Date: _____

Student Signature

Date

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Counselor Recommendation

The information below should be completed by the high school counselor regarding the applicant.

Name of Student: _____

The student's seven semester rank in class is _____ out of _____ graduates.

The student's seven semester grad point average is _____ on a 4.0 scale.

Composite ACT Score _____ Composite SAT Score _____

Please rate the following qualities: (1 lowest, 5 highest)

Character	1	2	3	4	5
Conduct	1	2	3	4	5
Respect for Authority	1	2	3	4	5
Leadership Qualities	1	2	3	4	5
Peer Relations	1	2	3	4	5

Extra-curricular participation (clubs, athletics, etc.) _____

Demonstrated leadership in extra-curricular activities: Yes No

Leadership positions held: _____

Other: _____

High School Counselor's Signature

Date

Phone Number