

2012
MARvelous Education Fund
Higher Education Scholarship Application



**Jewish Community Center of the
Greater St. Paul Area**

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General Eligibility

All St. Paul JCC members and staff are eligible.

Scholarships are available for anyone involved in post secondary programs, including the first year of any postgraduate programs and any graduate programs.

Criteria

The MARvelous Education Committee awards scholarships based on:

- St. Paul JCC involvement
- scholastic performance
- financial need
- funds available

1. **Preference is given to individuals with a history of involvement at the St. Paul JCC, who demonstrate academic achievement and who have financial need.**
2. **The MARvelous Education Committee has a very broad definition of financial need as the cost of post secondary education is very high. The committee considers a number of areas to determine financial need.**
3. **Past recipients of this scholarship are eligible to reapply for scholarships.**
4. **Applicants can reapply for the MARvelous Education Scholarship every year, regardless of whether they have or did not received an award in past years.**

Timetable

Notification on awards will be sent out by May 15, 2012 and scholarships are awarded at the St. Paul JCC Annual Meeting in June. **Completed applications, with all required attachments, are due to the St. Paul JCC office by March 16, 2012.**

Awards

Available scholarship dollars vary each year. Awards *typically* range from \$1,500 to \$2,000 per scholarship.

The St. Paul JCC pays the school directly upon receiving a tuition invoice. Funds may be applied to tuition and academic fees only. The St. Paul JCC encourages applicants to apply to other funding sources as well. Tuition bills must be received before December 31st of the year they are granted, otherwise the scholarship is forfeited.

How to Apply

Submit a completed application form and all other required material to:

St. Paul JCC MARvelous Education Committee

Attn: Penny Schumacher

1375 St. Paul Avenue

St. Paul, Minnesota 55116

In order for your application to be processed, you must furnish the following items in the same envelope:

1. Completed application form.
2. High school transcript and complete college transcript, including the most recently completed semester (if you are currently attending college).
3. Two letters of reference from a teacher, advisor, or clergy; not from friends or family members. Letters should address academic achievement and character. Each letter should be in 12-point font no longer than 2 pages.
4. An essay that includes your educational goals, future plans, and St. Paul JCC involvement. Your essay should be in 12-point font and no longer than two pages.

Your application will not be reviewed unless all items are returned together in one envelope by March 16, 2012.



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We are happy to acknowledge your interest in applying for a scholarship. Please complete this form and return it to our office by **March 16, 2012**.

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name of Applicant _____
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Name)

Current Address City State Zip

Phone email

Parent's Name (If you are dependent) email

Address City State Zip

Home Phone Work Phone

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2. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND & PLANS

From which high school have you graduated/are you graduating:

_____ Date _____

Colleges or universities attended:

Name	Dates

Which college or university do you plan to attend for the next school year, or list possible schools if you are not yet decided:

Major field of study (if known) _____

Minor field of study (if known) _____

You will be:

Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate Student Other _____

3. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Parent 1's occupation: _____

Parent 2's occupation: _____

FAMILY INCOME: Please check the annual income of your family. This financial information about your family income will be kept strictly confidential.

- Below \$30,000
- \$30,000 – \$50,000
- \$51,000 – \$70,000
- \$71,000 – \$90,000
- \$91,000 – \$110,000
- \$110,000+

Number of dependents in household: _____

Total number of other family members currently attending post secondary programs in the 2010 school year (do not include yourself in this number:) _____

Current cost of education for your family (all tuitions:) _____

Are you currently employed? No Yes

If yes, do you work part-time or full-time? Part-time Full-time

Your occupation: _____

Place of work: _____ Phone: _____

If you are married, is your spouse/partner currently employed? No Yes

If yes, does your spouse/partner work part-time or full-time? Part-time Full-time

Additional Information- Please provide any additional information about your financial status that you think is important for committee members to know.

4. BUDGET

List your expenses and resources for the school year for which you are applying.

Resources		Expenses	
Family Assistance	\$	Tuition and Fees	\$
Personal Funds	\$	Room & Board	\$
Grants or Scholarships	\$	Other	\$
Loans	\$		
Other	\$		

5. REFERENCES

Please submit two letters of reference. Include a teacher, advisor, clergy or other non-family member who knows you well enough to discuss academic achievement, character, and financial need.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____
(If dependent)

By March 16, 2012 please return in one envelope completed application form, plus:

1. High school transcript and college transcripts if applicable
2. Two reference letters written exclusively for this scholarship application
3. Essay that includes educational goals, future plans, and St. Paul JCC involvement

Return to:

Penny Schumacher
St. Paul JCC MARvelous Education Fund
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