

2018

MARvelous Education Fund
Scholarship Application



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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 Fund 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 also have demonstrated a high level of academic achievement and have a 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. Applicants can reapply for the MARvelous Education Scholarship every year, regardless of whether they have or have not received this scholarship in past years.

Timetable

Completed applications, with all required attachments, are due to the St. Paul JCC office no later than Friday, March 16, 2018. Notification on award will be sent out by May 15, 2018 and scholarship is awarded at the St. Paul JCC 2018 Annual Meeting.

Awards

The fund will award a \$5000 scholarship to one recipient.

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

How to Apply

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

St. Paul JCC MARvelous Education Fund Committee
Attn: Stacy Dockman
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 (if you are currently attending college), including the most recently completed semester's transcript.
3. Two letters of reference written exclusively for this scholarship application from a teacher, advisor, or clergy; not from friends or family members. Letters should be addressed to the MARvelous Education Fund Committee. Letters should address academic achievement character, financial need, and his/her vision of where your education will take you. Each letter should be in 12-point font, no longer than 2 pages.
4. An essay that includes your St. Paul JCC involvement, scholastic performance, educational goals, and future plans/aspirations. Your essay should be in 12-point, font and no longer than two pages.

Your application will not be reviewed unless all items are received in one envelope no later than March 16, 2018.



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MARvelous Education Fund SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

We are happy to acknowledge your interest in applying for a scholarship. Return this completed form to our office by March 16, 2018.

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 _____

Parent's Name _____ Email _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

2. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND & PLANS

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

Graduation 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:

Name	Dates

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: Put N/A in Parent 1 and 2 occupation lines if you are no longer considered a dependent. If you are not a dependent, list your occupation and income.

Parent 1's occupation: _____

Parent 2's occupation: _____

Student's occupation: _____

FAMILY INCOME: Please check the annual income of your family. This financial information 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 (only fill in this line if you are still a dependent): _____

Total number of other family members attending post secondary programs in the 2017-2018 school year (do not include yourself in this number:) – again, only fill in this line if you are a dependent: _____

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. Your totals from the Resources side should equal your totals on the Expenses side.

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 written exclusively for this scholarship application. The committee asks that your letters of reference come from a teacher/professor, advisor, clergy or other non-family member who knows you well enough to discuss academic achievement, character, financial need, and their vision of where your education will take you.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian (If dependent)

Date

By March 16, 2018, please return in one envelope the completed application form, plus:

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- Essay that includes St. Paul JCC involvement, scholastic performance, educational goals, and future plans/aspirations

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