



## The Ralph A. Taylor Scholarship Presented by: Bethany Presbyterian Church

### INTRODUCTION:

In 2012, Ralph A. Taylor, a former member, of the Bethany Presbyterian Church in Bethany, Pennsylvania, bequeathed to the congregation a large gift of money. To honor Mr. Taylor, the congregation determined that a portion of this gift would be given as a scholarship to a deserving young person(s) in the community to support their pursuit of higher education.

The scholarship is open to a Wayne County, Pennsylvania resident or be a Family member of a member of Bethany Presbyterian Church, who actively attends church activities regardless of denomination. The monies can be used for any accredited 2 year school, 4 year undergraduate school or a trade school. The potential applicant must prove acceptance to the school of their choice. It is also open to students who are already enrolled in an accredited school, however, they must prove that they have maintained 2.5 GPA.

An applicant or applicants will be chosen by a task force designed by the Bethany Presbyterian Church Finance Committee. The task force will choose an applicant(s) each year and decide on the amount of monies they will receive. Depending on the number of applicants and the quality of their application, the task force will determine the number of scholarships each year. There is no guarantee there will be a scholarship awarded every year. The applicant does not have to have an association with the Bethany Presbyterian Church in order to be awarded the scholarship. ***All information submitted to the task force will be kept confidential.***

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- ⇒ Student must live in Wayne County, PA or be a family member of a member of Bethany Presbyterian Church
- ⇒ Student must be a member of a church
- ⇒ Student must be enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited 2-Year, 4-Year undergraduate school, or trade school for the upcoming fall semester
- ⇒ Student must complete 2 typed essays and the scholarship application.

**Application for First Time Applicants**



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**What needs to be completed and filed:**

In order to be considered for the scholarship the following must be submitted:

- Application
- Church Membership Certification completed by Pastor
- Two Typed Essays
- Enrollment Letter from School
- Transcripts (if already enrolled in an accredited school)

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT APPLICATION IS: SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 2018**

*All applications must be mailed to Bethany Presbyterian Church, 431 Wayne Street, Bethany, PA 18431*

*Attn: Scholarship Task Force*

*Or*

*Emailed to [admin@pioneerparish.org](mailto:admin@pioneerparish.org).*

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APPLICATION

Applicant's Name Today's Date
Address City State Zip
Date of Birth Phone Number Email Address
Month/Year Starting School Anticipated Graduation Year Name of School Attending

Address of School

Are you a member of Bethany Presbyterian Church? Yes or No

Are you related to a member of Bethany Presb. Church? Yes or No

If so, member's name:

PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN

Name Relationship to Applicant
Email Phone Number (Day)

I certify that all information entered is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that completing this application does not guarantee me to be awarded any money or particular amount of money. I will accept the decision of the Bethany Presbyterian Church Scholarship Task Force regardless of whether I agree with it or not.

Applicant Signature Date Parent/Guardian Signature Date
Required for Students 17 and under

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**FIRST TIME APPLICANT ESSAY QUESTIONS**

**ESSAY QUESTIONS:** Please type your essay. If you need more room to write you essays you can attach a separate sheet of paper.

WHY I WANT A HIGHER EDUCATION?

HOW I FEEL I WILL CONTRIBUTE TO GOD'S PLAN?

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CHURCH MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATION

Student Name

Date Sent to Pastor

To Be Completed by Pastor

The above named student is applying for The Ralph A. Taylor Scholarship presented by Bethany Presbyterian Church.

It is policy of the Finance Committee coordinating The Ralph A. Taylor Scholarship to consider pastoral endorsements to be confidential. Your endorsement will be viewed only by members of the Selection Committee, who will consider the merits of each student.

Pastor's Name

Name of Church

Phone Number

Address

City

State

Zip

Is the Student a member of your Church? Yes No

How well do you know the applicant?

How long have you know the applicant?

Table with 6 columns: Activity, Weekly, Monthly, Occasionally, Never, N/A. Rows include Attend Worship, Attend Church School, and Other church Activities.