GFSUSA BOOK SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS 2023-2024

Attached are the GFSUSA Book Scholarship application forms for the 2023-2024 academic year.

There are two different applications. One is for first time applicants (those who never applied before). The second is for those who have previously applied. Please be sure to complete the correct application, as the requirements and forms for each application are different.

The scholarship fund was established at the National Assembly in 2001. The amount of each scholarship is determined by the Committee, and will depend on the number of applicants.

The scholarship is intended to use towards the cost of books and course supplies at an accredited college, university or vocational/technical school. Previous reimbursements have covered books, office supplies, laboratory equipment and technology needs.

Applications are due by *June 15, 2023*. The Committee will decide the awards by July 15, 2023, and applicants will be notified of the award decisions in July. The award recipients must send in their receipts for books/course supplies etc. to the GFSUSA Scholarship Chair for reimbursement. *The fall reimbursement requests must be received between September 1, 2023 and October 15, 2023* and checks for the fall reimbursement will be sent by November 1, 2023. *Spring term award recipients must sent in their receipts between January 1, 2024 and February 15, 2024,* and checks for the spring will be sent by March 1, 2024. The Scholarship Chairperson will keep track of the monies spent for each recipient. If an award recipient does not submit their reimbursement request on time or does not use the entire award, the unused balance of the award reverts back to the Scholarship Fund.

An applicant must be a current GFS member in good standing and must also have previously been a GFS member in good standing for at least two years while in high school and continue to be a member in good standing during college or vocational/technical school. The applicant must be part of a branch in good standing. Applications will be scored based on the responses provided and each applicant's work in furthering the GFS motto: "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ".

Only official application forms will be accepted, only complete, legible applications will be considered.

The original completed application including essay and letters of reference must be emailed to the scholarship chairperson no later than June 15, 2023.

Feel free to contact the Scholarship Chairperson with any questions and concerns at: gfsusascholarship@gfsus.org.

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