



The American Association of University Women is the largest and oldest national organization of women who are college graduates. AAUW promotes education and equity for women and girls. In recognition of AAUW's long-standing support for public education, the Bethlehem Branch Scholarship Program celebrates outstanding achievement in an educational setting by awarding scholarships to area high school senior girls. The scholarship amount awarded is dependent upon the money earned at our annual Used Book Fair, which takes place each April. This is typically a minimum of \$1,000 per recipient.

High School Seniors' Scholarship Application Guidelines

1. Female senior must be in the top 25 percent of her class.
2. She must have applied to an accredited two-year or four-year college or a vocational school with the intent of earning a degree, a certificate, or a diploma.
3. Applicant must be a US citizen or legal resident of the Bethlehem Area School District or the Allentown School District and attend either Liberty High School, Freedom High School, William Allen High School or Louis E. Dieruff High School.
4. The Scholarship Award is based on the following criteria and demonstrated promise of academic success:
 - a. Cumulative GPA
 - b. Class rank
 - c. Demonstrated financial need (EFC, estimated family contribution)
 - d. Extra-curricular activities
 - e. One-page essay
5. The Scholarship Committee will decide how the money is awarded.
6. Scholarship Awards will be distributed upon receipt of a **PDF copy of tuition invoice**.
7. If a scholar recipient does not use the funds awarded to her by August 15th, the money will be used at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

If you have any questions, please contact
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Please print out this page for future reference and return your completed application to your school's Guidance Office no later than February 15th.

Instructions

You may complete this form online and submit the printed copy to your Guidance Office.
Only completed applications will be considered. **Do not leave blank spaces.** If a particular question does not apply to your circumstances, simply enter N/A.

Please print legibly or type.

Name _____ Cell Phone _____

Address _____ Personal

Email _____

City _____ Zip _____

Birthdate _____

Name of High School

Class Rank _____ out of _____ Cumulative GPA _____

SAT Scores (CR) _____ (M) _____ (W) _____

ACT Scores (ENG) _____ (MATH) _____ (COMPOSITE) _____

Name of Parents/Guardians

Address(es) and phone number(s) (if different from yours).

Father's Occupation

Father's Employer

Employer's Address

Mother's Occupation

Mother's

Employer _____

Employer's Address

Please give the amount and source of non-taxable income such as child support, disability, unemployment, SSI, etc.

Amount _____ Type _____ Amount _____ Type

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\$ _____ = Parents' Adjusted Gross Income (Attach Form 1040 or 1040A, pg. 1 only)

List other dependent members of your household (excluding applicant).

Name	Age	School or Work Status	Relationship to Applicant
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Do your parents own _____ or rent _____ their home? (Check applicable.)

Amount of monthly rent \$ _____ or Amount of monthly mortgage

\$ _____

List any unusual family expenses (e.g. medical, college tuition payments).

Amount	Type	Amount	Type
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____		
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____		

List jobs you have held for pay.

Job	Duration (e.g. month/year - month/year)

List your extra-curricular activities in high school.

_____	_____

_____	_____

List your community activities.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Colleges or vocational schools to which you are applying **in order of preference.**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Anticipated Major Course of Study

_____ or

Anticipated Career Plans

Anticipated finances for your first year of school (based on school publications)

Expenses	1st Choice School	2nd Choice School	Resources (if known)
Tuition & Fees _____	_____	_____	Estimated family contribution
Room & Board _____	_____	_____	Your savings
Books & Supplies _____	_____	_____	Expected summer earnings
Personal Expenses _____	_____	_____	Scholarships
Transportation _____	_____	_____	Loans
_____			Expected Work/Study income
Total _____	_____	_____	Total

Summary

Name of First Choice School	Total Expenses	Total Needed
_____	_____	_____
Name of Second Choice School	Total Expenses	Total Needed
_____	_____	_____

Essay

The Bethlehem Branch of AAUW is committed to giving back to our community, as evidenced by our Used Book Fair, which allows us to financially support young women as they pursue their college careers. Please include with this application a well-developed essay of no more than one typed page that indicates how you give back to

your school community, religious community and/or the community at large. Most importantly, indicate why these activities are essential to both you and to the communities that are served.

Certification of Need

We, the undersigned, hereby state that financial aid is essential to enable the applicant to attend college. The questions contained in the preceding pages of this application have been answered truthfully and accurately to the best of our knowledge.

Signature(s) of Parents/Guardians

Date

Signature of Applicant

Date

Information on this form is confidential between the applicant and the AAUW Scholarship Committee. All applications and financial information are shredded after the completion of the process.

Please be sure to attach the following to this application when submitting it to your school's Guidance Office no later than February 15, 2025. Place a check mark next to each to show you have attached it.

- ☐ 1. An official copy of the applicant's current transcript
- ☐ 2. A list or copy of the applicant's second semester courses
- ☐ 3. Essay
- ☐ 4. Copy of page 1 of parents' most recent IRS Form 1040 or 1040A
(Please redact social security number(s))