**First United Methodist Church Scholarship Application**

The First United Methodist Church Scholarship dollars are the permanent endowment of First United Methodist Church in Ulysses, KS. A portion of the endowment provides annual scholarship opportunities for deserving young people in our church. The scholarship opportunities have been made possible by the generous gifts of the families of Roy and Gladys Gish, Mr. George Wolf, and Mrs. Suanne Moore. Each year, we remember their commitment to the Ulysses Community and scholastic education through this scholarship opportunity.

High School Graduates: Complete the entire process as outlined below:

1. **Applicant must be a member of the Ulysses First United Methodist Church for a minimum of 1 year immediately prior to applying for this award.**
2. **First time Applicant (Graduating High School students only) must complete the application process on time. The application is postmarked and/or received by the Church by March 15th.**
3. **The following documents must be included with the application:**
* **A narrative which includes your philosophy of life, spiritual development and what has influenced you in pursuing your career choice. Give additional information that might be helpful to the committee in their deliberations. (one page or less)**
* **A description of any special involvement in the United Methodist Church or community/volunteer work (one page or less)**
* **A copy of your current educational institution’s transcript.**
* **Two current letters of reference.**
* **A letter of reference from the pastor or youth sponsor.**
1. **Applicant must be (or accepted as) a full-time undergraduate student (12 or more credit hours) in an accredited tech/trade school, college, or university.**
2. **The scholarship must be used during the academic year and the applicant can apply for renewal through this scholarship annually.**
3. **Before the awarded amount of scholarship is paid to the student, proof of enrollment must be presented to the church office. (ex. Schedule of classes).**
4. **Awards will be paid in full during the Fall semester of the year awarded.**

**Students continuing their education may send the Church Office a letter requesting consideration for awards for the next academic year with a copy of their most current transcript (does not need to be an official transcript). Letter must be received by March 15th each year. Eligibility applies to all FUMC Ulysses members for their entire post-secondary and/or professional attendance at accredited schools. Candidates can be pursuing technical, associates, bachelors, masters, or doctoral programs.**

**Due Date**

**March 15th**

Approved by Church Board August 2024