



**Delaware County Christian School provides Merit Scholarships for students entering grades 9-12 to encourage academically talented students. These scholarships are awarded on a year-to-year basis. A student who receives a scholarship for the advancing year is not guaranteed a scholarship for the following year. Students must apply on an annual basis for a Merit Scholarship.**

### **Templeton Scholars**

Drs. John and Josephine Templeton have endowed funding each year for the Templeton Scholars. Dr. John M. Templeton was a prominent surgeon at Children's Hospital in Philadelphia before becoming president of the John Templeton Foundation. Dr. Josephine Templeton also served on the staff of Children's Hospital for many years. Dr. John Templeton passed away in May 2015 after a battle with cancer. This scholarship remains as a testament to his commitment and support of excellent Christian education and encourages students to pursue their faith and scientific study.

**Merit Scholarship Terms:** Amount - \$1,500 each. Scholarships awarded on a year-by-year basis to a total of 14 students (current and new students). **Applications for students currently attending DC must be received by Thursday, March 21, 2019. Applications for students new to DC in 2019-20 will be considered during the Admissions process.**

**Purpose:** The Templeton family would like to encourage capable young Christian men and women to consider service to the Lord through medical and scientific careers.

**Eligibility: Proven Academic Performance** For current DC students: a required G.P.A. of 4.2 (rising 12<sup>th</sup>), 4.4 G.P.A. (rising 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>) or a cumulative numeric average of 95/100 (rising 9<sup>th</sup>). Academic eligibility for students NEW to DC for the 2019-2020 academic year will be evaluated based on their transcript and most recent report card in their admissions file. A maximum of three individual scholarships per grade will be awarded to current DC students in 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Criteria: Academic Aptitude** (students who are aspiring toward further academic studies related to a career in science may be given preference in the process); **Christian Commitment** (evidenced in personal expression as well as school, church and community involvement); **Completed Application** (which includes written answer to one of the questions (essay answer will be weighted heavily in determining recipients))

**Please choose from one of the options below and write a full two-page, double spaced, 12 pt. font essay answering the question.**

- 1) How might a Christian vocation include a career in the sciences?
- 2) Are science and religion a threat to each other? ([Read this article for one perspective](#); feel free to agree or disagree with it.)
- 3) Describe one of the most exciting topics that you have covered in your science classes at DC. What was fascinating about the topic? What questions did it raise in your mind and how did the topic pique your interest in science?
- 4) Christians disagree about how both science and scripture should inform our understanding of how God created the earth. Should Christians agree about certain "essentials" when it comes to creation? ([This article offers one perspective](#); feel free to agree or disagree with it.)



### Application Requirements:

- **GPA eligibility** (Current DC students: Required G.P.A. of 4.2 (rising 12<sup>th</sup>), 4.4 G.P.A. (rising 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>) or a cumulative numeric average of 95/100 (rising 9<sup>th</sup>); New DC students: submit transcript and latest report card).
  - Current DC Upper School students: check your G.P.A. on your Naviance Account (Log-in to your Naviance account, click on the ABOUT ME tab and then MY ACCOUNT, you will see your weighted 5.0 GPA at the bottom of that page.) or confirm your G.P.A. with Mrs. Smyth (jsmyth@dccs.org) in the Academic Office at the start of your application process. (Your transcript will be attached to your application before it is submitted to the Merit Scholarship Selection Committee.)
  - Current DC 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students: confirm your N.G.A. with Mrs. Gwen Peters in the MS Office at the start of your application process.
  - Students NEW to DC: academic eligibility will be evaluated based on their transcript and most recent report card in their admissions file.
- **Formatting**
  - MLA Format
  - Two pages
  - Typed, double spaced
  - Calibri, 12 pt. font
  - Include the question at the top of your document
  - Cite your sources. Include a Works Cited page using MLA format.
- **Submission**
  - Send email to Director of College and Career Counseling, Mr. Trevor Creeden, [tcreeden@dccs.org](mailto:tcreeden@dccs.org) with subject line: **Merit Scholarship Application**
  - In body of the email, include your name, year of graduation, address, telephone, and email address
  - Attach answered question to email in a separate document.

**Deadline: Applications for current DC students must be submitted by Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019** in order to be considered by the Merit Scholarship Selection Committee for the 2019-20 Academic Year. Applications for students new to DC in 2019-20 will be considered during the admissions process. Scholarship selections will be announced in the spring.