

The Richard J. Madden Foundation Scholarship Application



The Richard J. Madden Foundation Scholarship was created to provide post-secondary scholarship assistance to students graduating from Mt. Lebanon High School. Mr. Madden highly values the education he received while attending the Mt. Lebanon School District. When he graduated in 1952 he was undecided about continuing his education due to a lack of funds. At that time, it was possible to work extra jobs in order to finance one's education, which is what he did. That is not necessarily true today and Mr. Madden does not want a qualified student to be indecisive about continuing his/her education due to a lack of funds. It is with this idea in mind that he created this scholarship fund in 2003 through his Foundation.

In order to apply for this scholarship, students must:

1. **Demonstrate financial need. Please note that this is one of the most important criteria for the scholarship award.** (1040 return pages 1 & 2, Schedules 1, A, B, C, D & E (if applicable) and W-2's are required to be attached with this application for parents/guardians/custodians). If current return is not yet available, please submit the data from the previous year. Current returns will be required by April 1st.
2. Plan to attend a two or four-year college or technical school within the United States.
3. Be a current junior who will participate in their senior year at Mt. Lebanon High School. Early graduates or students attending college full time in lieu of their senior year are ineligible.
4. Be a United States Citizen. (copy of Birth Certificate or Passport required)
5. Maintain minimum QPA (3.0 minimum).
6. Complete the attached application and essay, attach reference letters and completed transcript request from Mt. Lebanon High School. The completed packet should be delivered to the School Counseling Office by March 9, 2020.
7. Incomplete applications will not be processed by the Counseling Office.

The Scholarship will be awarded at the Mt. Lebanon High School Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, May 26, 2020.

The Scholarship recipient may receive up to \$12,500.00 per year (maximum of \$50,000.00) as long as the minimum QPA is achieved, and the student remains a full-time student.

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Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____ **MI:** _____

Address: (street) _____

(city, zip) _____

Telephone Number : _____

Social Security Number (last 4 digits): _____ **DOB:** _____

Anticipated Year of Graduation: _____

Intended Field of Study: _____

Financial Information:

Please include ALL Family Gross Income (Form 1040/Line 37). Family income includes (but is not limited to) both parents (not just the custodial parent) as well as any household income where the student maintains his/her residence. (Supporting documentation from a non-resident parent may be submitted separately if confidentiality is a concern. ALL documentation must be received by the applicable date.

_____ \$25,000/year and under	_____ \$75,00 - \$100,000/year
_____ \$25,000 - \$50,000/year	_____ \$100,000 - \$150,000/year
_____ \$50,000 - \$75,000/year	_____ \$150,000/year & above

(if applicant receives award, additional financial verification may be required.)

Is the applicant the beneficiary in any percentage of any trust funds?

If YES, are the funds available for education and if so, what is the available amount?

Is the applicant a recipient of monthly/annual social security benefits?

If YES, please state the annual Amount: _____

Parent/Guardian Information:

Name: _____ Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

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Non-Custodial Parent:

Name: _____ Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Do you (your family) receive financial support from a non-custodial parent? _____

If applicable, please state total annual amount. _____

References:

Please attach two letters (of 300 words or less) of recommendations. At least one of the letters must be from a current or past employer, a civic or community leader who has firsthand knowledge of your community/public service or a religious leader who has known you for several years or another appropriate individual. A maximum of one letter may be from a teacher or other school personnel. Please include the name and telephone number of the two references:

Name: _____	Telephone Number: _____
Name: _____	Telephone Number: _____

Work Experience:

Summarize work experience that you have had: (7 line max)

Community Service:

List any community service you have performed, such as being involved in youth group functions or volunteer work. Include singular events that support non-profit causes such as supporting March of Dimes, Toys for Tots, the environment, etc. (7 line max)

Extracurricular Activities:

List any extracurricular activities, such as athletic, music, theater, and/or art, in which you participate or have participated over the past three years, noting any special awards you may have received. (7 line max)

Essay:

Please answer the following question in 300 words or less.

“Why do I feel that I am worthy of consideration as a recipient of this scholarship?”

Note: Any essay longer than 300 words will be disqualified. (You may include any specific circumstances indicating financial needs within the 300 words).

Please be sure that completed application, supporting income documentation, essay, recommendations, copy of birth certificate/passport, completed transcript request etc. are all attached prior to submission. Any incomplete applications or those that lack the required documentation will be eliminated from consideration.)

Completed application and all supporting documentation
must be returned to the School Counseling Office (Room F-306) no later than
Monday, March 9, 2020.