



DELAWARE COUNTY  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

## **John M. and Josephine J. Templeton Merit Scholarship 2024-2025**

### **Templeton Scholars**

Drs. John and Josephine Templeton provided funding for the Templeton Scholars Program at Delaware County Christian School. Dr. John M. Templeton was a prominent surgeon at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia before becoming president of the John Templeton Foundation. Dr. Josephine Templeton was an accomplished anesthesiologist at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, and she received national recognition for her skill in training future physicians. Dr. John Templeton passed away in May 2015 and Dr. Josephine Templeton passed away in October 2019. This scholarship remains as a testament to their commitment and support for Christian education and their desire to see Christians pursue a vocation in the sciences.

**Purpose:** To encourage capable young Christian men and women to consider serving the Lord through a career in medicine or scientific research.

### **Eligibility:**

Students enrolling in DC Upper School for the 2024-2025 school year  
Cumulative GPA of 4.4 or cumulative grade average of 95

### **Selection Criteria:**

Academic Aptitude - affirmed by current teachers  
Christian Commitment - expressed in essays and in school, church or community involvement  
Two Essays - adjudicated anonymously; these carry the heaviest weight in determination of recipients

### **Scholarship Terms:**

Recipients receive \$1500, applied to tuition for the upcoming school year. Students may apply annually. Awards are decided anonymously by the Merit Scholarship Selection Committee. Applicants will be notified by the first week in April.

### **Submission Deadlines:**

Current DC Students - March 22, 2024  
Prospective Students will be considered at the time of their Admissions process.

**Questions and Essay Submissions:** Mrs. Christine Allen ([callen@dccs.org](mailto:callen@dccs.org))



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## Essay Prompts

*Essay #1 - Answer Question A.*

*Essay #2 - Choose Question B, C or D.*

A. **\*Required\*** Describe one of the most exciting topics that has been covered in your current science class 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?

B. Describe a field of scientific research that you find interesting at this stage in your academic development. What research questions are most important to the field at this time? Who is a prominent scientist doing work in this field and what advances could come from this field of scientific research?

C. Write a short summary of the life and work of a scientist who was also a Christian. How did their Christian beliefs influence their work as a scientist? Some examples include Isaac Newton, Michael Faraday, Francis Collins, and Jennifer Wiseman. But you can do your own research and choose a scientist who is not on this list.

D. What have you learned about order in the natural world and how does that shape your faith in God and the kinds of questions you want to explore through the study of science?

## Format Requirements

*Essays that do not follow these guidelines may not be considered.*

- Include a cover page with your name and “Class of \_\_\_\_\_”
- Do NOT use a heading or header. (Your name should ONLY appear on the cover page.)
- Essays should be one page, double spaced, with MLA-approved font, size and spacing.
- Include the letter and essay prompt at the top of each essay.
- Always cite sources, and include one Works Cited page containing sources for both essays.

**Notifications of award or regret will be released by the Guidance Office on April 30.**