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Subject: Kitty M. Fairey Educational Fund Scholarship (the "Scholarship Program")

Dear Senior Guidance Counselors,

It is time to begin the process for students who wish to apply for a scholarship for the 2024-2025 academic year. We appreciate your assistance in marketing the program to the students in your school. I have enclosed a sample flyer that can be used to publicize the scholarship to students. Please post the flyer in areas where the students normally congregate.

Also enclosed is a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document that provides information about the scholarship requirements, eligibility, and application process. Please make this available as appropriate through the school's guidance counselors and other methods that may become available. Let us know if you have other suggestions on how to advertise the scholarship or need additional information to provide to potential candidates.

Applications will be accepted starting on NOVEMBER 1, 2024 and ending on FEBRUARY 10, 2025. Scholarship candidates will apply online at www.csascholars.org/kmfr.

If you have questions, please call me at 864-268-3363 (Monday – Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time). You can also email me at Elisabeth@csascholars.org.

Thank you. We appreciate the opportunity to work with you on this scholarship program.

Sincerely,



Elisabeth Pate
Scholarship Director

Enclosures

Kitty M. Fairey Educational Fund Scholarship
2025-2026
Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Who is eligible for the scholarship?

A: Applicants must:

- Must be enrolled in or planning to attend full-time an accredited college or university in the state of South Carolina.

Additional Desired Qualifications:

- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Demonstrate financial need.

Q: How do I apply?

A: Interested applicants may apply online at www.csascholars.org/kmfr.

Q: How are applications submitted?

A: Applications must be submitted online via the Center for Scholarship Administration (CSA) portal. There are three steps to complete and submit the application:

1. Set up an account through the portal.
2. Login to the account and complete the application. A confirmation email will be sent when the application is received by CSA. Applicants should contact CSA if a confirmation email is not received.
3. Mail in any additional required materials. (see below)

Q: What constitutes a complete application packet?

A: A complete application package includes the following (*Each item should include both the applicant's name and name of the scholarship at the top of the page.*):

- Student Authorization and Acknowledgements Form, found in the online application, signed by the scholarship candidate.
- Official transcript with grades and cumulative GPA posted through the latest semester.
- Personal statement/essay:
 - Submit a one-page signed personal statement explaining why the scholarship is important to you. Include your college and career plans.
- List of academic honors, leadership skills, community service, etc.
- Page 1 of your 2025-2026 FAFSA Submission Summary, which includes your name and SAI (Student Aid Index). This is the report you receive after completing your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).
- W-8 or W-9 IRS Form, as applicable. This form must be completed by the applicant.

Note: Renewal applicants do not need to send a new essay or résumé.

Q: When is the deadline for submission of materials?

A: The online application must be completed and transmitted to CSA no later than **FEBRUARY 10, 2025**. Any required supplemental materials that need to be mailed must be mailed to CSA no later than **FEBRUARY 10, 2025** and should be mailed or emailed in one package.

Q: What is the amount of the scholarship award?

A: The amount of scholarship awards may vary.

Q: How can scholarship awards be applied?

A: Funds may only be used to pay up to one-half of the standard cost of tuition, fees, room and board, books and supplies of the institution of attendance.

Q: What school may I attend?

A: You must be a full-time student enrolled at any accredited four-year college or university in the state of South Carolina, in any field of study leading to a degree, provided the institution meets the following requirements:

The institution must be an educational organization that normally maintains a regular faculty and curriculum and normally has a regularly enrolled body of pupils or students in attendance at the place where its educational activities are regularly conducted. To the extent the institution is involved in the selection of the recipients (if at all), that involvement must comply with the Scholarship Program's policy of awarding scholarships on an objective and non-discriminatory basis as well as the Scholarship Program's Conflict of Interest Policy.

Recipients must be enrolled full-time each semester and working towards an undergraduate degree.

Q: How will I be notified if I am chosen as a recipient?

A: All applicants will be notified by email, whether or not they have been selected to receive a scholarship. Those students selected will download a package from their online account that includes a scholarship agreement and information about the scholarship terms.

Q: Is this scholarship renewable?

A: This scholarship is for one year only; however, current recipients may reapply and be considered for additional funding along with other new applicants. Scholarship recipients must be enrolled full-time. Scholarship recipients are limited to four total years of scholarship award and are expected to have been enrolled consecutive years during that time. Students must reapply for additional scholarship awards each year. An award is not guaranteed, and students will be included in the pool of new scholarship applicants.

Need financial assistance to attend college?

Apply for a Kitty M. Fairey Educational Fund Scholarship

Eligibility requirements

Applicants must:

- Be enrolled in or planning to attend full-time an accredited college or university in the state of South Carolina.

Additional Desired Qualifications:

- A cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Demonstrate financial need.

Scholarship specifics

- This scholarship is for one year only; however, current recipients may reapply and be considered for additional funding along with other new applicants. Scholarship recipients must be enrolled full-time.
- See your guidance counselor for additional information.

Eligible applicants can apply at
www.csascholars.org/kmfr

Deadline

To be considered for a scholarship, applications and all supporting documentation must be received by
5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on **FEBRUARY 10, 2025**