



Clifford Stevens Scholarship Foundation Application and Procedures 2025

1. The deadline for scholarship applications is **May 1, 2025**.
2. Refer to the criteria below for eligibility requirements.
3. Refer to the application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (e.g., letter of recommendation, evidence of GPA, etc.). **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**
4. If any question in this application does not apply to you, please put "N/A" in the space.
5. Type or print legibly. Illegible applications will be returned.
6. You will be notified by email no later than June 2025 regarding the status of your application.
7. If you have any questions about the application, please e-mail: **cliffordstevenssf@gmail.com**.

NOTE: Scholarship funds will be awarded to the student's institution upon evidence of registration in classes. You must provide your student identification number, correct mailing address, and phone number of the school's Bursar's Office.

Purpose:

To provide scholarships to one or more deserving African American or other minority, male, Chester Upland School District senior(s) intending to pursue higher education and who exemplify the drive, commitment, determination to succeed, and school spirit embodied by the Clifford Stevens Scholarship Foundation's members.

Award Components:

1. Scholarships of \$500 - \$5,000 are awarded to one or more graduating seniors attending a college/university/or other post-secondary educational institution **including trade schools**.
2. The scholarships will be awarded depending on the funds generated for distribution each year.
3. The Clifford Stevens Scholarship is guaranteed for one year.
4. If selected, you must attend an acknowledgment video conference with the Board of Directors, and a Presentation Reception on **June 29, 2025**.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be an African American or other minority, male, Chester Upland School District senior.
2. Applicant must have a 2.5 GPA or better (except DCCC no GPA required).
3. Applicant must be highly motivated and have demonstrated the capacity to excel. We will consider employment, after-school activities, and involvement in the community and school, with an emphasis on contribution as opposed to the number of activities.
4. Applicant must have the potential for academic achievement, exhibit quantifiable leadership skills, and demonstrate an actual financial need or financial hardship pursuing higher education.

Application Process:

Applicant must submit the following items:

1. Completed application form (if hand-written, please print legibly)
2. One letter of recommendation from a high school teacher, administrator, counselor, employer, and/or individuals with significant knowledge of the applicant's experience and involvement.
3. An official and recent high school transcript with cumulative grade point average, ACT and/or SAT scores, and a class standing/rank.
4. Personal essay (350 words or fewer).
5. Possible oral interview with a Scholarship Committee member if you are selected as a finalist.

**The Clifford Stevens Scholarship Foundation
Application 2025**

Please type or print your answers. If the application is illegible, it will be returned to you.

1.	Last Name: _____	First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address: Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____	
3.	Telephone Number: _____ Email: _____	
4.	Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____	
5.	Current High School: _____ Number of years attended: _____	
6.	I will be attending the following school in the Fall of 2025: _____ Proof of acceptance or current student enrollment from the above school is required before receipt of funds. School Student ID#: _____ Bursar's Office Address & Phone: _____	
7.	Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale) Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent official school transcript is required.	
8.	ACT Score: _____ or SAT Score: _____	
9.	Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): Use the reverse side of the application if you need more space. Name (s) _____ Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Phone of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): _____	
10.	What is your proposed field of study? 	

11.	What are your educational and professional goals and objectives?
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12.	List your academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school:
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13.	List your community service activities, hobbies, part-time jobs, sports, outside interests, and extracurricular activities:
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14.	Personal Essay (350 words or fewer)
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Please answer the following question:

Explain the importance of a mentor or role model today.

15.	A.		The following items must be attached to this application for the application to qualify to be reviewed by the scholarship committee.
	B.		Your application will be returned to you if these items are not attached to this application.
	C.		Circle "YES" or "NO" to be sure you have attached each item as required.
	YES	NO	One letter of recommendation. The letter can be emailed directly to: cliffordstevenssf@gmail.com.
	YES	NO	Proof of college acceptance or current student enrollment. A letter of college acceptance or program acceptance is required for receipt of funds.
	YES	NO	Most recent <u>official</u> high school transcript, including ACT / SAT scores and class standing/rank.
	YES	NO	Personal Essay—Explain the importance of a mentor or role model today.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY & UNDERSTANDING

I hereby affirm that all the above-stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Clifford Stevens Scholarship Foundation.

I hereby understand that, if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded.

I hereby understand that, if chosen as a scholarship winner, I will be required to attend an acknowledgment video conference with the Board of Directors and a Presentation Reception on **June 29, 2025**.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ Date: _____