Paul W. Martin Scholarship

What is the Paul W. Martin Scholarship?

• The Paul W. Martin Scholarship was established in 2006 to honor the memory of our former pastor, Paul W. Martin, who served First Baptist Church from 1987 to 1992. This scholarship will be awarded to active members of First Baptist Church.

Eligibility Requirements

• Graduating high school seniors and current college students are eligible to apply for a scholarship. Students having previously been awarded this scholarship may reapply by completing all application requirements.
• Applicants are chosen based on the following criteria: financial needs, academics, school/community involvement, letters of recommendations, and personal statement.
• There is no fee involved in applying for this scholarship.

Application Process

• The student must submit the entire original Scholarship Application Packet. The packet should be stapled in the top left-hand corner.
• The postmark deadline for the application packet is March 31 of the year applying. Applications, recommendation letters, and transcripts postmarked after the deadline will not be considered.
• Faxed or e-mailed applications will not be accepted.
• Unsigned applications will not be considered.
• Return the Scholarship Application Packet to:
  Pastoral Office
  First Baptist Church, 300 S. Section Street., Fairhope, AL 36532

Transcripts

• Graduating high school seniors must submit one (1) sealed official transcript (grades 9 – 12). Students reapplying must submit a college transcript. The transcripts must be sent to the above address.

Student Biography

• Submit a Student Biography that lists school activities, unpaid community and church activities, special awards, honors, and offices held.
• Include work experiences listing employers, dates of employment for each job, and the approximate number of work hours per week.
• As financial is a consideration, a statement of household income is required.
• Student Biography specifications: typed, double-spaced.

Essay

• The essay should answer the question, “Why I feel I should be awarded this scholarship”. Also address your plans as they relate to your education, career, and long-term goals.
**Letters of Recommendation:**
- Include three sealed letters of recommendation. Do not open sealed letters. No letters from relatives or classmates will be accepted.

Please submit entire Application Packet to:
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Mail all parts of the application together. This includes transcripts and letters of recommendation. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
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APPLICATION FORM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name (Mr.) or (Ms.) ____________________________________________________________
Home Address _________________________________________________________________
City ______________________________________ State___________ Zip Code___________
Telephone Number ________________________ Other Telephone Number ________________
E-mail __________________________________ Date of Birth __________________________

PARENT (S) OR GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Name ____________________________________ Relationship to Student_________________
Address_______________________________________________________________________
City _____________________________________ State ___________ Zip Code ____________
E-mail ___________________________________ Daytime Telephone ____________________

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

Name of School ________________________________________________________________
Address _______________________________________________________________________
City __________________________________________________________________________
Telephone _____________________________ Date of Graduation _______________________
Name of Principal _______________________ High School GPA ________________________
ACT Score_____________________________ (or) SAT Score __________________________
Guidance Counselor _____________________ E-mail Address _________________________
Guidance Counselor Direct Phone Number _________________________________________
College you plan to attend
(Please list your first and second college choices)

Anticipated Major (if known)

SCHOOL VERIFICATION AND RECOMMENDATION

Please have your school official (principal, guidance counselor, or advisor) complete this section by providing a brief statement on why you are deserving of this scholarship. This statement is not considered a letter of recommendation.

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School Official’s Signature ___________________________________ Date ___________________
Title ___________________________________ Telephone ___________________

School’s Address ____________________________________________
City, State, Zip Code _________________________________________

Statement of Household Income:
Annual Household Income: ______________________________________

Signature of Applicant _________________________________________ Date __________________
Signature of Parent/Guardian ___________________________________ Date ________________

UNSIGNED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED
Please make sure your Scholarship Packet is complete by checking the following items:

☐ Scholarship Application Form
☐ Sealed Transcripts
☐ Statement of Annual Household Income
☐ Student Biography
☐ Essay
☐ 3 Sealed Letters of Recommendation from:
   ☐ _________________________________
   ☐ _________________________________
   ☐ _________________________________
   ☐ _________________________________
☐ Signatures
   ☐ School Official
   ☐ Applicant
   ☐ Parent/Guardian

Incomplete Applications Will Not Be Accepted