



**HOWARD COUNTY RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION  
(also known as HEART)**

**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**ATTENTION:** Student Services -- school counselor in charge of scholarships

January 2023

Dear Counselor:

The Howard County Retired School Personnel Association sponsors at least two (2) \$1,500.00 scholarships each year for Howard County **graduates who are planning to enter the field of education.** Enclosed you will find an overview of the scholarship program and **one copy** of the application. Please feel free to duplicate any additional copies that are needed.

In the past 18 years, there have been scholarship winners from Atholton, Centennial, Glenelg, Hammond, Howard, Long Reach, Mt. Hebron, Oakland Mills, Reservoir, River Hill, and Wilde Lake high schools. Please encourage your graduating seniors who are planning to enter the field of education to apply for this scholarship.

**The postmark deadline for all applications is April 1, 2023.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely yours,

Donna M. Streagle  
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**QUALIFICATIONS OF APPLICANTS**

The Howard County Retired School Personnel Association (HEART) will award a \$1,500.00 scholarship to at least two (2) qualified applicants to be used for educational expenses during the next school year.

To qualify, an applicant must:

- Be a graduate of a Howard County public high school currently enrolled in college, or a Howard County high school senior scheduled to graduate at the end of the current school year.
- Be planning to work in the field of education.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0.
- Have been involved in **significant** community activities or school extracurricular activities (other than, or in addition to, interscholastic athletics).
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Submit two letters of recommendation: one from a school employee in a school the applicant currently attends (college or high school), and one from an individual outside of school who is NOT a relative.
- Complete the attached application, including the required essay.

**PROCEDURES FOR APPLYING**

Submit a correctly completed application form, a copy of the current high school or college transcript, two (2) letters of recommendation (as described above), and the required essay.

Applications **MUST** be postmarked by **April 1, 2023** . You may either mail this to Donna Streagle, or scan the application and email to her as a pdf.

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**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

This application form is for students who are planning to enter or have entered the education profession. Please review the **QUALIFICATIONS OF APPLICANTS** section above to inform yourself of the requirements for applying. Note that there are eight (8) part to the application and ALL must be completed.

*Please print neatly or attach a typed copy.*

**Part 1: Personal information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print!)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Family information that you believe might be pertinent for committee consideration. (If you need more space, please attach a separate sheet of paper.)

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**Part 2: Educational information**

Howard County high school \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA (attach a transcript) \_\_\_\_\_

If currently enrolled in a college, enter its name \_\_\_\_\_

Are you involved in a PDS (Professional Development Program)? \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative college GPA (attach a transcript) \_\_\_\_\_

Awards and honors \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Part 3: Activities**

School Activities (Grades 9-12+)

\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Community Activities

\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Work Experience (if any)

\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 4: College plans**

Colleges to which you have applied: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Colleges to which you have been accepted: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Part 5: Family financial information**

(Please note that all information will be kept confidential within the HEART Scholarship Committee.)

Father's (guardian's) Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Income \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's (guardian's) Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Income \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Foster Parent stipend/support (if applicable) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional factors affecting family finances: medical, tuition, child support, and unusual situations.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Estimate of family's contribution for your yearly college expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Estimate of other support (loans, gifts, scholarships) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 6: Estimate of college expenses per school year**

***(Note: this section MUST be fully completed for the schools of your choice.)***

	First choice	Second choice	Third choice
College Name			
Tuition			
Room/Board			
Books			
Transportation			
Miscellaneous			
Totals			

College or institutional loans for which you have applied: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Other loans: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Part 7: Essay**

In order to qualify for this scholarship, you must indicate your intention to enter the field of education as a profession. Describe the educational career that you have chosen to pursue, explain why you have the desire to teach, and tell how you plan to enter this field. Please include comments about how you plan to finance your education beyond the award year.

Submit this essay, **not to exceed 300-500 words**, on a **separate sheet**. **Typing is preferred.**

**Part 8: Sign below and submit the application**

Prior to submitting this application, please make certain that you have reviewed and complied with the **Qualifications of Applicants** notice that accompanies this form.

Return the completed application along with the following materials:

- ✓ Copy of your high school or college transcript (must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0)
- ✓ The required essay, typed, on a separate sheet
- ✓ Two (2) or more letters of recommendation: one from a school employee in a school you currently attend (college or high school) and one from an individual outside of school who is NOT a relative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Mail to:

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