

COWETA-FAYETTE TRUST



——— ~ *Melissa Segars* ~ ——
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

For Outstanding Community Service



A Message From Coweta-Fayette Trust

The Coweta-Fayette Trust is proud to offer scholarship assistance to deserving high school seniors in our membership area.

This scholarship program was established in memory of Melissa Segars, a young lady from our area whose undaunting personal courage in the face of severe physical limitations inspired thousands. Melissa lost her battle for life during a heart-lung transplant operation, but her bravery and love for life lives on in all who know her story. The community spirit she fostered is the inspiration for these scholarships.

Scholarships will be awarded annually. Scholarships will be offered in the amounts of \$3,000 each.

Heavy emphasis will be placed on the applicants' personal involvement in community service and what they have done to make their community a better place in which to live.

This scholarship program is administered by the Trustees of Coweta-Fayette Trust, Inc., a non-profit organization.

Specific criteria, and instructions for all scholarship applicants, accompany this introduction.

We express appreciation to all participating members of the Trust whose individual contributions make this program possible.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- ❖ Scholarship Amount: \$3,000 (one year, non-renewable)
- ❖ Graduating seniors who attend high school in the Coweta-Fayette EMC area, and who plan to attend an accredited college or university in the United States, are eligible to apply for this scholarship.
- ❖ This scholarship does not apply to students attending technical or trade schools.
- ❖ Scholarships will be awarded without regard to race, sex, creed, national origin, or disability.
- ❖ Applicant must complete an electronic application <https://utility.org/news-center/scholarships-applications/>
- ❖ Must have 3.0 GPA or better
- ❖ Applicant must submit an essay (*minimum of 500 words – but no more than 600 words*) with application. Due to our blind judging process, **DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR NAME IN YOUR ESSAY.** (See below for topic information.)
- ❖ Three (3) letters of recommendation must be submitted with application. One must be from school officials (teacher, principal or counselor) and Two must be from someone outside school (not family members).
- ❖ A copy of applicant's transcript must accompany application. (unofficial copy is acceptable)
- ❖ More than one applicant per school may apply.
- ❖ Application must be received by Trust officials no later than **February 1**.
- ❖ If selected, applicant grants sponsors the right to use information provided for publicity purposes.
- ❖ Recipient(s) will be notified by school counselor.
- ❖ Presentation of scholarship awards will be made at the awards ceremonies of the respective schools.
- ❖ Scholarship shall be designated by the recipient to a college or university within twelve (12) months from date of award. Otherwise, scholarship award shall revert to Trust fund.
- ❖ Scholarship awards will be paid by the Trust directly to the respective college or university in compliance with that institution's payment deadline requirements. Scholarship must be used for tuition, room, board and other related institution charges.

TO APPLICANT

Please write and submit an essay (*typed in size 12 font, double spaced including a minimum of 500 words, but no more than 600 words*) (*word count listed at bottom of essay*) with this application. Due to our blind judging process, **DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR NAME IN YOUR ESSAY.** Your essay should reflect the scope of your personal involvement in community service activities such as volunteering at charitable organizations, church, school clubs and sports, hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, animal shelters etc. It should also reflect your personal goals in life and your plans for the future.

CHECKLIST OF ITEMS TO BE SUBMITTED:

- Application must be completed online at <https://utility.org/news-center/scholarships-applications/>
- Type essay in size 12 font, double spaced (*minimum of 500 words – maximum 600 words*)(*Provide word count at bottom of essay*)**DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR NAME IN YOUR ESSAY**
- Most recent transcript (unofficial copy is accepted)
- Three (3) letters of recommendation must be submitted with application

DEADLINE

Scholarship application, transcript,
and recommendation letters must
be received at the
Coweta-Fayette EMC Trust office
by **February 1.**

Applications that are incomplete or missing
attachments will not be considered.

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<https://utility.org/news-center/scholarships-applications/>

For additional Information,
call (770) 502-0226



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