

**OCEAN CITY PARROT HEAD CLUB
LINDA AND DON RISSO SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

AWARD GUIDELINES

A. Choice of School: Applicants must be accepted for full time enrollment at an accredited four-year college or university, or an accredited two-year institution.

B. Who May Apply: Applicants must be graduating Seniors of Snow Hill, Pocomoke, or Stephen Decatur High School in Worcester County, Maryland.

C. Qualifications: Successful applicants must have demonstrated their interest in helping others through community service and have participated in community activities that are beyond those required by the State of Maryland. Applicants must have a chosen field that by its nature works to help others, the community, the environment and social well-being of all. Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher and have a reputation of good character and a strong spirit of cooperation with fellow students and faculty.

Applicants must submit:

1. A personal statement of at least 100, but no more than 200 words, that describes your career goals and how you will use your chosen field to better the lives of those in your community. You may also describe why you need this scholarship in your statement.
2. A complete list of any community services you have done, differentiating between what is required by the State of Maryland and other volunteer work or projects you have done. This can include, but is not limited to: school, church, clubs, personal projects or activities, along with any paid job(s) you have held.

D. Nature of Award: \$500 minimum for one academic year. The amount of the award will be determined by the available to grant balance in the fund and will be split equally between the three qualifying high schools.

E. How to Apply: Applications are available at www.cfes.org or in the school's Guidance office. Completed applications must be submitted to the Guidance office by no later than **April 1st** to be considered for a scholarship award, only when the following have been submitted:

1. A completed scholarship application
2. Official high school transcript of grades
3. Letter of acceptance from College or University
4. Two letters of recommendation from non-family members (e.g. teacher, guidance counselor, employer, athletic coach, etc.)
5. Personal statement and list of community services as described above
6. Applicant may be required to be interviewed by the Scholarship Advisory Committee

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APPLICATION**

Student Name _____
Last First M.I.

Permanent Address _____
Street
City State Zip

Telephone _____ **Social Security (Last 4 Digits Only)** _____

How long have you been a resident of your County? _____

High School _____ **Graduation Date** _____
Month/Year

_____ Address Telephone

College or University for which aid is requested _____

_____ Address Telephone

Entrance Date _____

Chosen Major _____

Required Attachments:

1. Official high school transcript of grades
2. Letter of acceptance from College or University
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Mail or Drop Off Application To:
Guidance Counselor

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 1st

I certify that I am a legal resident of _____ County, State of Maryland and that all information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Student / Applicant Signature Date Parent / Guardian Signature (If applicant under age 18) Date