



Alpharetta Presbyterian Church
Presbyterian Women Scholarship Application Instructions

Presbyterian Women of PC USA Purpose: Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we, Presbyterian Women, commit ourselves

- 1) to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study,
- 2) to support the mission of the church worldwide,
- 3) to work for justice and peace, and
- 4) to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom.

Scholarship Purpose: Supporting the Youth of APC is an important mission for APC Presbyterian Women. To continue to enhance our commitment to the youth and to demonstrate how we help "strengthen the PC USA and witness to the promise of God's Kingdom," we will select at least one student annually from the APC congregation to receive a one-time, non-renewable, APC PW Scholarship to be used towards the recipient's post-secondary education.

Eligibility:

- Must be a current member of Alpharetta Presbyterian Church.
- Must be starting their First Year of post- secondary education the Fall after the award is given. Post-Secondary education can include college, university, technical college or technical program where you will be working towards a degree or certification.
- Must demonstrate values that align with one or more of the 4 Presbyterian Women mission statements that appear in the PW Purpose Statement.

Requirements:

- Complete the attached Application Form.
- Essay: In 400- 500 words, describe your commitment to one or more of the 4 PW mission statements. Describe what you have done, how it affected you, what you learned and how you will continue to demonstrate the value(s).
- Deadline: April 1st. Submit completed application form and essay digitally to PWScholarship@AlpharettaPres.com or by hand to the current Youth Minister.

Procedure:

- Applications will be reviewed by the PW Board to ensure the applicant meets the eligibility criteria as stated.

- Qualifying essays will then be evaluated using a predetermined rubric and on an **anonymous** basis by the APC PW Coordinating Team.
- In the event of a tie based on the essays, the PW Board will use the Scholarship Application Form to discern which applicant best aligns with the PW Purpose.
- The recipient will be notified by phone by May 15th and will be issued a check made payable to the recipient at a subsequent Sunday service.