



The Tyler David Williams Memorial Scholarship

1. Scholarship Overview

The Tyler David Williams Memorial Scholarship was established to honor the memory of Tyler David Williams, 14, who was born December 6, 1996, and was killed September 3, 2011. The scholarship was established by Tyler's parents, David and Ashley Williams, and Tyler's sister, Spencer Catherine Williams, through the Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro.

- The scholarship is open to Guilford County graduating seniors who exude Tyler David Williams' "Laws of Life" of honesty, compassion and wisdom as illustrated through a written essay, demonstrated academic achievements, and teacher/coach recommendations.
- In its first year, one scholarship of \$2,500 will be awarded.
- While it is considered during the selection process, economic need is not a prerequisite to apply for the scholarship.
- Scholarship recipients are eligible to re-apply for the scholarship annually based on academic achievement; however, they are not guaranteed renewal.

2. Application Selection Criteria

The Fund is to be used to provide college scholarships for students residing in Guilford County – under the criteria and guidelines set forth below.

1. Must have graduated from high school and have maintained a minimum GPA of 3.5 as documented on a school-provided official transcript;
2. Must attend a four-year college located in North Carolina;
3. Must be seeking an accredited four-year degree;

4. Economic need is not a prerequisite to apply for the scholarship;
5. Must have a record free of demerits, no honor code violations and no school suspensions;
6. Must be of good moral character;
7. Examples of academic success in addition to school grades such as Honor Society, class ranking, Magna/Summa Cum Laude, and exceptional SAT scores, are a plus;
8. Participation in extra-curricular activities such as debate, Model UN, honor board, chess club, mock trials are a plus;
9. The applicant must include a written essay with a minimum of (500) words. Please see the Written Essay Submission Form for details.
10. The application must include (2) teacher recommendations. One of the two recommendations could come from a coach, if the applicant prefers. Please see the Recommendation Form for details.
11. The scholarship is for full-time study;
12. The scholarship must be used for tuition, on campus housing, and book fees;
13. The recipient must be a current resident of Guilford County;
14. For scholarship recipients to be eligible to re-apply for scholarship renewal, the scholarship recipient must maintain a 3.0 grade point average, in the institution of higher learning;

Applicants may be contacted by a selection committee member should the committee need clarification or request additional information to aid in the decision-making process.



Checklist for Tyler David Williams Memorial Scholarship Application

The materials listed below are due and should be postmarked by **MARCH 2, 2012**.

- **Due Date:** **March 2, 2012**

- **Mail to:**
 The Tyler David Williams Memorial Scholarship
 Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro
 330 S Greene Street, Ste 100
 Greensboro, NC 27401

- **Materials to Include:**
 1. Your Completed Application Form
 2. Your Written Essay (500-word minimum)
 3. School Provided Official High School Transcript
 4. A Paper Copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) from the Free Application for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA)
 - a. FAFSA is available electronically at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>
 5. Documentation of SAT scores if shared in the Academic Success Section.
 6. (2) Teacher Recommendations: (1) Can Be From a Coach with Original Signatures

- **Thank you for your interest in The Tyler David Williams Memorial Scholarship!**



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**The Tyler David Williams Memorial Scholarship Application Form
Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro**

1. Your Details

Applicant Name _____
 Last First Middle

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

County _____

Cell Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Email Address _____

2. Your Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Information

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____
 Information Last First

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Cell Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Email Address _____

3. Your College Details

College You Plan to Attend _____

Intended Major/Primary Course of Study _____



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6. Your Written Essay Submission Form: Your Laws of Life

Please include below your written essay with a minimum of (500) words in response to the following topic.

Background:

In the autobiography of Tyler David Williams written January 2011, Tyler said:

“Over the course of my life, I have created a set of many “Laws of Life” for myself in order to make me stronger as an individual. My “Laws of Life” include caring for others, telling the truth, and making well-informed decisions. These virtues of compassion, honesty and wisdom play a huge role in molding who I am and continue to play a large role in shaping my future.”

Tyler’s Laws of Life were:

- Compassion – caring for others
- Honesty – telling the truth
- Wisdom – making well informed decisions

Essay Topic:

Share the Laws of Life that you personally follow in your life, and provide one or more significant examples of how you have followed these Laws of Life during your life.

Please Attach Your Essay Separately and Provide Your Signature at the Bottom of the Page

Your Signature _____



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Questions:

1. How long have you known the applicant? _____

2. In what capacity have you known the applicant?

Teacher _____ Coach _____

Written Reference:

Tell us about the character of this applicant and share one or more significant examples that demonstrate their strength of character. Background is below.

Background:

The quality of **Character** is assigned by others to individuals, based upon perceptions of that individual's consistency, positive attitude and values, persistence and concern for others. A person's character is a measure of others' trust of them and only has meaning or value in relationship to others in their community. Character is the currency with which we purchase cooperation and support, so that we might be more effective in the areas of service and leadership. Good service and leadership rely heavily upon a person's character.

Please Attach Your Essay Separately and Provide Your Signature at the Bottom of the Page

Your Signature _____



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