



Mountaineer Challenge Academy

Scholarship Application

Applications will be accepted from Mountaineer Challenge Academy graduates only. This application applies to all scholarship funds currently available through Friends of the Mountaineer Challenge Academy, Inc. Scholarships are awarded twice each year. Deadline: May 1 for June award; November 1 for December award.

Name (Last, First, MI)	
Permanent Address	
Phone Number	Cell Number
E-mail Address	MCA Class #

Name of School	
Field of Study	
GPA	Hours Completed
School Address	
School Contact for Financial Matters	Office Number
Advisor	Office Number

I understand:

1. A. I must be:
 1. Enrolled in community college (2 year, or 4 year or graduate degree program, associate's or bachelor's degree, graduate school) **OR**
 2. Enrolled in a trade or technical school program **OR**
 3. Participating in a union trade apprenticeship program

2. B. I must accept the award in person at the MCA Graduation Ceremony.
3. C. If I withdraw from school or training, all monies will be returned to:
Friends of the Mountaineer Challenge Academy, Inc.

3. D. I must submit the following documentation with this application:
 1. Transcript of grades from college, university, vocational-technical school, community college, trade school **OR**
 2. Proof of enrollment in an apprenticeship program **AND**
 3. Letter explaining both:
 - a. How the scholarship funds will be used to help you reach your PRAP goals.
 - b. How you have applied the Core Components in your life.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

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Received	Verified	Reviewed	Notified



National Guard Youth Foundation Competitive Scholarship Program

TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION EXCEPT SIGNATURES

Completeness and neatness ensure your application will be reviewed properly.

Application due to NGYF: May 1, 2015

**Complete
All
Applicable
Boxes**

GPA Pre-Challenge	GPA Challenge	High School Diploma	GED	\$5,000 Scholarship Application	\$3,000 Scholarship Application

**Applicant
Information**

Last Name _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____
 Permanent Home Mailing Address _____ Apartment # _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Telephone (_____) _____ E-Mail Address _____
 Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ Indicate your Status (Statistical purposes only) M F

**Parent or
Guardian
Information**

Last Name _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____
 Permanent Home Mailing Address _____ Apartment # _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Telephone (_____) _____ E-Mail Address _____
 Relationship to Applicant _____ Work Telephone (_____) _____
 Employer _____ Job Title _____

**Program
Data**

Program Name _____ Graduation Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

**Post-
Secondary
School
Data**

Name of post-secondary school you plan to attend (If unknown, please list in order of preference the schools which you have applied.)
 Use official school names. Do not use abbreviations.

 City _____ State _____

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4 yr. College or University 2 yr. Community or Junior College
 Vocational- Technical School Other, explain _____

Major or course of study _____ Expected college graduation date: Month _____ Year _____

Degree sought: Bachelor Associate Certificate Other _____

If space provided in any section is inadequate, you may continue on additional sheets of paper using the same format. **DO NOT** repeat information already reported on the application form. Your name, address and name of this scholarship should be included on all attachments.

**Activities,
Awards,
Honors,
and
Leadership**

List all school and ChalleNGe activities in which you have participated during high school grades 9-12. List all community activities in which you have participated without pay during grades 9-12. Include all leadership positions, special awards, honors, and offices held.

Activity	No. of Years Participating	Special Awards, Honors	Offices Held

**Goals
And
Aspirations
Cadet
Essay**

Make a brief statement or summary of your plans as they relate to your education and career objectives and long term goals. Please also include why you feel you are the best candidate for this scholarship. Attach your answer using the following criteria: 12 point Times New Roman font, double spaced, and no more than two (2) pages in length.

**Cadet
Mentor OR
ChalleNGe
Staff
Letter
Of
Reference**

Please provide a one page letter of reference from your mentor or a ChalleNGe Staff member. The letter must address the following: How the cadet has improved their lives since entering the ChalleNGe Program. They must provide examples in regards to changes in behavior, attitude, grades, goals, and relationships among other possible aspects of the cadet's life. When referring to the cadet, please have the mentor or ChalleNGe staff use only the initials of the cadet for scoring purposes.

Applicant Appraisal (Required)

To the Applicant: This section is required and must be completed in the format provided. If incomplete, your application will not be evaluated. This section is to be completed by a program director, cadre, or staff member who knows you well.

To the Adult Appraiser: You have been asked to provide information in support of this application. Please give immediate and serious attention to the following statements. **All ratings given in the far left column (excellent) require additional written explanations.** Please return to the applicant when completed.

The applicant's choice of post-secondary educational program is extremely appropriate * very appropriate moderately appropriate inappropriate

The applicant's achievements reflect his/her ability extremely well* very well moderately well not well

The applicant's ability to set realistic and attainable goals is excellent* good fair poor

The quality of the applicant's commitment to school and/or community is excellent* good fair poor

The applicant is able to seek, find and use learning resources extremely well* very well moderately well not well

The applicant demonstrates curiosity and initiative extremely well* very well moderately well not well

The applicant demonstrates good problem solving skills, follows through, and completes tasks. extremely well* very well moderately well not well

The applicant's respect for self and others excellent* good fair poor

***All excellent ratings require additional explanations.**

Comments: _____

Appraisers name: _____ Title: _____ Telephone: (____) _____

Signature _____ Date: _____

Application Checklist

The student is responsible for submitting all materials to the Program Director on time. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. This application becomes complete and valid only when the National Guard Youth Foundation has received all of the following materials.

- Student Application with complete Applicant Appraisal
- Completed and Attached Cadet Essay
- Complete and Signed Mentor or ChalleNGe Staff Letter

Certification

The National Guard Youth Foundation has the sole responsibility for selecting recipients based on criteria as set forth in the program's brochure. This application becomes the property of The National Guard Youth Foundation.

I acknowledge decisions of The National Guard Youth Foundation are final. I certify that I meet the basic requirements of the program as described in the brochure and that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to provide proof of information I have given on this form. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Program Director's Signature: _____ Date: _____