

Women's Association of Duck Woods Country Club Memorial Scholarship Q & A

What is the history of the scholarship? The first WADWCC scholarship was awarded in June 2002 in memory of WADWCC member and leader Judy McCarthy whose life was taken suddenly in a tragic automobile accident. At the time, the award was designated the "Judy McCarthy Scholarship for Returning Women." Criteria required the recipient be a woman who had experienced a lapse of studies due to demands of family or work.

In early 2008 the scholarship name was changed to WADWCC Memorial Scholarship and opened to both male and female applicants.

What is the purpose of the scholarship today? Awarded annually, the scholarship honors the memory of all deceased members, recognizes the importance of education and life-long learning, and supports the organization's commitment to support the financial needs of members of the community.

Intended to assist a student whose post-secondary education has been interrupted or delayed, the scholarship is designed to aid recipients who are seriously pursuing an associate or bachelor degree.

Members of DWCC and their children are not eligible for the scholarship.

What does a scholarship cover? Up to \$2,000 will be awarded by the program to cover tuition, books and other education-related expenses.

How many students have received the scholarship? Since its inception in June 2002, 15 area students have been awarded this scholarship.

What are the requirements to apply? To apply, an applicant must: 1) be a high school graduate who does not have a bachelor's degree, 2) have completed one year of work/home experience and/or post-secondary study, 3) be a resident of Dare County or Currituck County, 4) be a U.S. citizen or have permanent residency status, and 5) enroll in a minimum of three semester hours in the fall 2020 semester. Students may enroll at any accredited non-profit college or university, on campus or on-line.

What is the application process? Interested applicants must submit, by April 1, 2020: 1) a completed application, 2) an official high school transcript and an official transcript of any completed post-secondary course work, 3) two letters of reference (not relatives), 4) official letter of college acceptance or evidence of current enrollment from any accredited non-profit college or university on campus or on-line and 5) a resume of work experience including dates of employment.

Completed forms and required documents are to be sent to: Lynn Blackburn, Memorial Scholarship Chair, Women's Association of Duck Woods Country Club, Duck Woods Country Club, 50 South Dogwood Trail, Southern Shores, NC 27949. Submissions will be reviewed by the selection committee and finalists will be contacted by May 2020.

Who do you contact for an application or more information? For an application, click on the Duck Woods Country Club website at www.duckwoodsc.com. For more information, contact scholarship chair, Lynn Blackburn, (252) 261-6514 or (252) 305-5375 or lelyblackburn@embarqmail.com.