

# MERLE S. & EMMA J. WEST SCHOLARSHIP FUND

West Scholarship Committee  
 c/o U.S. Bank  
 PO Box 3168, Portland, OR 97208  
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 www.merlewestscholarship.com

## Scholarship Application

Completed application must be **uploaded** at www.merlewestscholarship.com according to on-line instructions, or **mailed** to the above address and postmarked no later than April 1. Should April 1 fall on a weekend or holiday, application must be uploaded or mailed no later than the first business day following. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE GIVEN CONSIDERATION.

IMPORTANT: To ensure your information is successfully recieved, **please use only Adobe Reader to complete the application form below.**

I hereby make application for a scholarship grant of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be applied against my educational expenses during my \_\_\_\_\_ year at \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_.

Fr. So. Jr. Sr. Name of Institution State

I expect to graduate in 20 \_\_\_\_ with a degree in \_\_\_\_\_. My intended vocation or profession is \_\_\_\_\_. I am a high school graduate (or will graduate) from \_\_\_\_\_ High School in Klamath County in 20 \_\_\_\_.

I  **have**  **have not** applied for Oregon Promise.

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last First Middle

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Citizen or Hold Permanent Resident Card?  
 Yes  No

City State Zip Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Dependents \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number Ages

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Present/Past Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Address Business Phone Type of Work Dates (Mo. Yr.)

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**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

List all schools attended (High School, College, Trade Schools)

School	Location	Dates Attended
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

- Attach transcript(s) for last high school attended and college transcript(s) if applicable. **If applying online, follow instructions on the website to upload this document.**
- Include Documented Results From an ACT or SAT Test (Required unless a vocational school or community college) **If applying online, follow instructions on the website to upload this document.**

**For High School:** GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Class Ranking \_\_\_\_\_ ACT Scores \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Scores \_\_\_\_\_

**For College:** Credit Hours Completed \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

List all previously earned college or university degrees: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

List any School Sponsored Activities in which you have participated or recieved awards (including athletics):

Name of Organization	Your Role in It	Frequency and Duration
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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(Attach a sheet if necessary. **If applying on-line, create an additional separate PDF page if necessary and follow instructions for upload).**

List any non-school sponsored, Business, civic, U.S. Military organizations, etc., in which you are a member:

Name of Organization	Your Role in It	Frequency and Duration
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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(Attach a sheet if necessary. **If applying on-line, create an additional separate PDF page if necessary and follow instructions for upload).**

**IMPORTANT:**

Please attach letters only from two persons (teacher, coach, club leader, pastor, etc.) NOT related to you, attesting to (a) your aptitude for the course of study you intend to pursue, and (b) your character, including moral principles and citizenship.

**If applying online, follow instructions on the website to upload these documents.**

Letter Author's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Letter Author's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Association to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Association to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

**Complete your estimated budget for the upcoming school year, to the best of your ability:**

The RECEIPT and EXPENSE columns MUST BALANCE.  Include ONLY budget items which pertain to your DIRECT college expenses.

<b>Estimated Budget From</b> _____		<b>To</b> _____	
Month	Year	Month	Year
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Available savings	\$ _____	Tuition	\$ _____
Anticipated summer job income	\$ _____	Estimated fees	\$ _____
Anticipated income during school year	\$ _____	Books	\$ _____
From parents, guardians, relatives	\$ _____	Room/Board	\$ _____
Scholarship grants received	\$ _____	Other education expenses (specify)	\$ _____
<b>(attach list or, if applying on-line, an additional PDF page)</b>		_____	\$ _____
Spouse's income, if applicable	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____
LOANS: Actual	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____
Proposed	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____
Other income (trusts, insurance, etc.)	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____
<b>(attach list or, if applying on-line, an additional PDF page)</b>		_____	\$ _____
Scholarship gift requested	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL \$ _____</b>		<b>TOTAL \$ _____</b>	

**If Employed During The School Year:** Not Employed \_\_\_\_\_ Full Time \_\_\_\_\_ Part Time \_\_\_\_\_ Approximate Hours per Week: \_\_\_\_\_ Hours

Please explain any irregularities in this budget or prepare a supplemental budget and attach to this application. If applying on-line, create a separate PDF page if necessary and follow instructions for upload.

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### PARENT OR SPOUSE OR INDEPENDENT STUDENT FINANCIAL STATEMENT

**If you do not live with both of your biological parents, please supply financial information for both parents.**

<b>Name:</b> _____	<b>Name:</b> _____
<b>Address:</b> _____	<b>Address:</b> _____
<b>Employer and Occupation:</b> _____	<b>Employer and Occupation:</b> _____
<b>Relationship:</b> _____	<b>Relationship:</b> _____
Adjusted Gross Income as reported on federal income tax return (verified against your Student Aid Report): \$ _____	Adjusted Gross Income as reported on federal income tax return (verified against your Student Aid Report): \$ _____
Total Assets (rounded) \$ _____	Total Assets (rounded) \$ _____
Total Liabilities \$ _____	Total Liabilities \$ _____
<b>Indicate the amount your parent can contribute to your education this academic year:</b> \$ _____	<b>Indicate the amount your parent can contribute to your education this academic year:</b> \$ _____

### LIST SIBLINGS AND ADDITIONAL PERSONS RECEIVING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM FAMILY

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Living at Home? \_\_\_\_\_ Attending College? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Explain below any other family or extraordinary circumstances that will give a clearer picture of your family's financial situation:**

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**NOTE TO PARENT OR SPOUSE:** Information given in this application will remain confidential with the U.S. Bank Charitable Services Group and the West Scholarship Committee. However, both reserve the right to require further documentation, including income tax returns, of the above statements if required.

Signed: Parent or Spouse or Independent Student \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## CERTIFICATION

**You must obtain** your high school transcript and additional transcripts for college attendance, including your most recently completed term prior to April 1<sup>st</sup>. Please attach the transcript(s) to your application or upload if applying on-line.

**You must include** a copy of **ALL** pages of your most recent STUDENT AID REPORT (SAR). If you have received your award letter, please send or upload a copy of it as well. The award letter is the letter from the school you will attend listing your financial aid package. If you have not received this letter by April 1<sup>st</sup>, please mail it immediately upon receipt (whether applying by mail or on-line).

**Before sealing and mailing this application packet, have you filled in answers to all pertinent questions and attached the required documents?** Please see **Application Instructions PDF** for further description of required items below.

*If applying online, further descriptions of required items are on the website).*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Opening Paragraph, Personal and Employment Information</b>                                      | (page 1 of application)                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Academic and Activities Information</b>   | (page 2 of application)                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Two Letters of Recommendation***</b>  | (page 2 of application)                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Transcript of grades for last high school and each college***</b>                               | (page 2 of application, and above)              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Results from ACT or SAT test***</b><br>(required unless vocational school or community college) | (page 2 of application)                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Financial Information</b>   | (page 3 of application)                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Parent or Spouse or Independent Student Financial Statement</b>                                 | (page 3 of application)                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Persons Receiving Financial Support Other Than Applicant</b>                                    | (page 3 of application)                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>One-page Composition***</b>   | (page 2 of application instructions)            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Copy of all Pages of SAR (Student Aid Report)***</b>  | (page 2 of application instructions, and above) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Award Letter***</b>   | (page 2 of application instructions, and above) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Two Signatures</b>  | (page 2 of application instructions, and below) |

\*\*\*If applying on-line, follow instructions on the website to upload these documents.

**If you have checked all twelve squares above, please sign and date your application below and submit:**

**By mail:** Mail your completed application PDF and documents to:

**West Scholarship Committee, c/o U.S. Bank, P.O. Box 3168, Portland, OR 97208**

**On-line:** Follow instructions on the website to upload your completed Application PDF and documents

**You may also attach any** further records, citations, honors, or other documents you feel may augment your application.

*If applying on-line, create an additional separate PDF page if necessary and follow instructions for upload).*

Submitted mailed documents or copies thereof become the property of the committee and will not be returned to you.

Provide any additional information you feel may enhance your probability for scholarship award.

*(Add a sheet if necessary. If applying on-line, create an additional separate PDF page if necessary and follow instructions for upload).*

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**It is mandatory that** you sign the authorization for release of information below before this application can be processed.

**I hereby certify that I will use the proceeds of this scholarship award, if granted to me, only for the expenses incurred in securing an education at an accredited educational institution. I further certify that I have carefully read the questions asked in this scholarship application and certify that my answers are true and correct.**

**I hereby authorize the U.S. Bank Charitable Services Group and the West Scholarship Committee to obtain a current transcript of my grades at any future time.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Scholarship Applicant**

**Note:** If you have applied for this scholarship and were unsuccessful, you may apply again the following year if you so desire.

**I have  OR have not  been convicted of a violation of the law (other than minor traffic citations or similar).**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Scholarship Applicant**