



State of Maryland International Reading Association Council

Joseph J. Fox, Jr. Memorial Scholarship

The Joseph J. Fox, Jr. Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to three graduates of any Maryland high school who plan to major in education at an accredited college or university. Recipients of this scholarship must meet the specific criteria for each scholarship.

Each of the three scholarships are awarded for \$2,000.00. Selected recipients will receive the scholarship funding upon presentation of a copy of a college or university tuition bill.

Scholarship Criteria

1. Applicant must verify graduation from a Maryland high school.
2. Applicant must be accepted and enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student at an accredited college or university.
3. Applicant must major in Education with the intent to pursue teaching as a career.
4. Applicant must have maintained an overall GPA of 3.2 or better in high school and submit a high school transcript with the application.
5. Applicant must document current or previous community service in education-related activities or organizations/clubs, etc.
6. Applicant must submit a completed application that follows the scholarship rubric
7. Applicant must apply by the scholarship deadline.

All applications must be submitted to the SoMIRAC Scholarship Committee Chairperson, and be postmarked by April 15, 2017.

Don Bailey
Scholarship Committee Chairperson
1509 Augusta Way
Crofton, Maryland 21114

Applicants can go to the SoMIRAC website www.somirac.org on June 3, 2017 to see if they have been selected as a scholarship winner. Winners will also receive a letter informing them of their selection for this scholarship.



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Undergraduate Joseph J. Fox, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Application Form

2016-2017

Part One

Applicant: Please complete in full. Please type or print carefully.

Name: _____
(last) (first) (middle)

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Date of Birth: _____

High School Attending: _____

College or University you plan to attend: _____

Area of education you plan to pursue: _____

List the names of two people, other than relatives, whom you have asked to submit a letter of recommendation to the scholarship committee:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Please submit an essay explaining the reasons you are qualified and should receive this scholarship. Refer to the three-point rubric for guidance.



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Part Two

To be completed by a person from the school who is best qualified to evaluate the applicant (Principal, Counselor, or Teacher).

Name of student: _____
(last) (first) (middle)

Name of high school: _____

Address of high school: _____

Phone number for high school: _____

Student's rank in graduating class: _____ in a senior class of _____ students

Cumulative grade point average (at least a 3.2 on a 4.0 scale) GPA: _____

PLEASE ENCLOSE A TRANSCRIPT WITH THIS PART OF THE APPLICATION

Has the applicant submitted an application for admittance to an accredited college or university that will qualify him/her for teaching in the state of Maryland? _____

Please rate the applicant to the best of your knowledge on the following information. Circle the most applicable description.

The applicant has demonstrated:

- | | | | | |
|--|------|--------|----------|------|
| 1. an interest in teaching | none | slight | moderate | high |
| 2. community service in education-related activities | none | slight | moderate | high |
| 3. ability to do well in college | none | slight | moderate | high |

Comments: _____

(Signature)

(Title)

(Date)



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Undergraduate Joseph J. Fox, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Verification Form

2016-2017

Application Deadline: April 15, 2017

Application forms should be reviewed by the Principal, Counselor, or Teacher and this form completed by him/her and returned to the applicant.

	Please check one	
	Forms Mailed Directly	Forms Returned to Applicant
Scholarship Application Part One		
Student Written Essay		
Scholarship Application Part Two		
High School Transcript		
Two Letters of Recommendation		

(Signature) (Title) (Date)

Application must be postmarked by April 15, 2017

Mail all parts of the application to:

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Rubric for Joseph Fox, Jr. Undergraduate Scholarship Application

3 The response indicates a clear purpose for needing the scholarship and why the applicant should be considered. The applicant's "voice" demonstrates a passion for teaching and/or promoting literacy. The applicant expresses clearly and concisely how the scholarship will help with future professional or career related endeavors. The response needs to be well written and free of mechanical and grammatical errors. The response should be typed and at least one page in length.

2 The response indicates a clear purpose for needing the scholarship and why the applicant should be considered. The applicant expresses clearly and concisely how the scholarship will help with future professional and career related endeavors. The response needs to be well written and free of mechanical and grammatical errors. The response should be word typed and at least one page in length.

1 The response indicates a clear purpose for needing the scholarship and why the applicant should be considered. The applicant expresses the reasons that the scholarship will help achieve career goals.

0 The response has a limited number of mechanical and grammatical errors. The response should be typed and at least one page in length.