

The Reverend Dr. Robert G. and Mrs. Amanda B. Murray Scholarship

INTRODUCTION

The Reverend Dr. Robert G. and Mrs. Amanda B. Murray Scholarship Ministry (“The Murray Scholarship”) was established in 2017 by the Pastor’s Anniversary Committee under the leadership of the First Baptist Church Diaconate. The Murray Scholarship is a church supported ministry.

This scholarship was set up to honor Pastor Robert Murray and Mrs. Amanda Murray and to recognize their life-long commitment to education. The primary purpose of the Murray Scholarship is to assist young people in pursuit of higher education.

The Murray scholarship will be awarded to one graduating senior annually. Scholarship award will be made payable to the educational institution and sent directly to the designated school of attendance. Scholarship money may be used for tuition, books, or room and board.

Scholarship applications can be obtained from the First Baptist Church office (757-622-6701) or online at www.firstbaptistnorfolk.org. Completed applications must be submitted no later than March 31, 2022.

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GENERAL GUIDELINES AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. Applicant must be a member of First Baptist Church for at least one year prior to the date of his/her application.
2. Applicant must be an active member in at least one ministry of First Baptist Church for at least one year prior to the date of his or her application.
3. Applicant must be pursuing studies in higher education at an accredited 2- or 4-year college/university or trade school.
4. Applicant must have a grade point average of 2.5 or above on a 4.0 scale.
5. All application materials, including the application form, must be typed or printed. Applications are available at the First Baptist Church office (757-622-6701) or online at www.firstbaptistnorfolk.org.
6. All sections of the application must be complete. Please thoroughly review your application for accuracy and completeness. *Remember to sign the application.*
7. Applicants who are applying for the Murray Scholarship must submit the following with his or her application form:
 - a. An essay of 300 to 500 words.
 - b. A copy of his or her unofficial high school transcript.
 - c. A copy of the admission letter from an accredited 2- or 4-year college/university or trade school.
 - d. A letter of recommendation from a teacher, school administrator, or school counselor.
 - e. A second (2nd) letter of recommendation from a ministry leader, community leader or other person qualified to recommend applicant for a scholarship.
8. The application deadline is March 31, 2022. All applications must be emailed or postmarked on or before this deadline. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that his or her application is complete and submitted on time.

Submit application by email to: RG.AB.Murray.Scholarship@gmail.com

or

Mail applications to:

First Baptist Church Murray Scholarship Committee

418 E. Bute Street

Norfolk, VA 32504

Attention: Deacon Keith Butler

9. The scholarship award recipient will be announced the first Sunday in June.

**Reverend Dr. Robert G. Murray and Mrs. Amanda B. Murray Scholarship
Application**

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Street Address _____

City, State and Zip Code _____

Home Number _____ Mobile Number _____

Email Address _____

How long have you been a member of First Baptist Church? _____

Name of the Ministry/Ministries in which you are or have been active at First Baptist Church:

Educational Background

Name of high school _____

Address _____

City, State and Zip Code _____

Date of Graduation from high school _____

Grade Point Average (GPA) _____

Name of college/university or trade/technical school you will attend:

Address _____

City, State and Zip Code _____

Certification

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief all of the information in this application is true and accurate. I am aware that any misrepresentation may result in the disqualification of my application.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Application Deadline: Please submit by March 31, 2022

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Essay Requirement

First Baptist Church values individuality and believes that students are more than just a GPA and test score. To help us get to know you even better, consider this opportunity to express yourself.

On a separate piece of paper, answer *only one* of the following questions using 300 to 500 words.

1. Describe your educational goal(s) and how do you believe you will attain it/them?
2. Write about your gift(s) and how you can use them to be God's hands in your community?
3. How has your relationship with Christ contributed to who you are today?
4. What matters to you, and why?
5. This past two year has been filled with unexpected experiences for high school seniors. How has it affected your personal relationship with God?