

6300 Grelot Rd., Ste. G #152 Mobile, AL 36609

# ELSIE COLLIER SCHOLARSHIP YVONNE GRAHAM SCHOLARSHIP 2020

We are asking public school senior counselors in Mobile County to see that senior students who are interested in pursuing a **career in education** have an opportunity to apply for scholarships sponsored by the Mobile Retired Educators Association. A major objective in the awarding of our scholarships is to help prepare others to become educators. This year, scholarships will be offered to more than one student for no less than a \$1,000 each. We sincerely hope that your school will have interested students apply for the scholarships.

**Please be sure that each applicant is familiar with the Policy Statement**. In the past, we have had to disregard applicants who failed to submit an official transcript of credits, ACT/SAT scores or a personal letter. It is critical that we have a completed MREA Scholarship packet.

Please provide interested students with a complete application by email or hard copy. All applications must be sent to the attention of the MREA Scholarship Committee on or before Tuesday, February 4, 2020. The address is: Mobile Retired Educators Association, ATTN: Scholarship Committee, 6300 Grelot Rd., Suite G #152, Mobile, AL 36609 or email headmeg@aol.com. We appreciate all you are doing for high school seniors and our scholarship process.

Sincerely,

Dr. Carolyn Lee Taylor, Chair MREA Scholarship Committee

Carolyn Lee Taylor



#### POLICY STATEMENT FOR MREA SCHOLARSHIPS

# **REGULATIONS**

#### MREA CONSTITUTION: ARTICLE V

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

SECTION 1: The Scholarship Committee shall be composed of three permanent members: a Chair and two

members-at-large appointed by the Executive Board; the current Association-elected

President, First Vice President, Treasurer and the Immediate Past President.

SECTION 2: The appointed members of the Scholarship Committee shall serve until they ask to be relieved

of their responsibility or are removed by a majority vote of the Executive Board. The

Scholarship Committee shall recommend replacements for vacant positions occurring on the

Committee to the Executive Board for approval.

SECTION 3: The Chair serves on the Association Executive Board and shall be expected to attend all

meetings of the Executive Board.

#### **FINANCING**

#### MREA CONSTITUTION: ARTICLE VIII

FINANCE

SECTION 1: The fiscal and membership year shall be from September 1 to August 31.

SECTION 2: Annual dues shall be twenty dollars (\$20) for regular members and ten dollars (\$10) for

associate members. Seven dollars (\$7) for each regular member and two dollars (\$2) for each

associate member shall be deposited in the Scholarship Money Market Account.

The amount in the Scholarship Money Market account from dues collected and any gifts, not designated, will make-up the total amount available for the current year's Scholarship awards. The amount used each year shall be approved by the Scholarship Committee. Any unused

funds will be retained in the Scholarship Money Market account until the next year.

Interest received from the Scholarship Fund's investment will be added to the Principal and reinvested. Withdrawal of the interest for the year may be approved by the Scholarship

Committee to be used for the current year's Scholarship award.

The Principal of the Scholarship Fund shall not be used in awarding scholarships.



# REQUIREMENTS OF APPLICANTS

- 1. Must be a resident of Mobile County
- 2. Must be a Mobile County public school high school graduating senior
- 3. Must have a 3.0 academic high school record and 21+ ACT score or 900 SAT equivalent
- 4. Must pursue a career as an educator
- 5. Must demonstrate volunteer service to their school and community
- 6. Relatives of educators may be given preference if other requirements are met.

# **APPLICATIONS**

Application packages will be sent out each year no later than the first week in December to all Mobile County public high school senior counselors. Students applying will be directed to complete and return to the MREA Scholarship Committee at the mailing address or email by February 4, 2020. An official transcript (signed by the high school registrar or counselor) of school credits, ACT/SAT scores, listing of service to the school and community, a typed letter of approximately 100 words explaining why the applicant wants to become an educator.

## **SELECTION CRITERIA**

- 1. Academic record in high school (1-3 points)
- 2. ACT/SAT scores (1-3 points)
- 3. Volunteer services to school and community (1-3 points)
- 4. Letter from applicant (1-3 points)

### **INFORMING WINNERS**

The MREA Scholarship Committee Chairperson will inform the recipients and invite them and their parents to the March meeting of MREA to receive the scholarship awards. All other applicants will receive a letter of thanks from the Chairperson. The winning applications will be placed in the MREA Scholarship Committee files.

# MREA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



If sent via USPS, type/print all information in black ink. If emailed, open PDF Form in Acrobat or Reader. Choose FILL AND SIGN FROM THE RIGHT PANE. ADD TEXT [Ab appear or click on it in the toolbar. Click at the place in the document where you want to add text. Align left and bottom of the blue box with the line and start typing. Save document, print and USPS mail or email to the appropriate address below.

FULL NAME OF APPLICANT	DATE OF BIRTH	
STREET ADDRESS/P.O. BOX	CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE	
HOME AREA CODE/PHONE	CELL AREA CODE/PHONE	
CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL	DATES	
COLLEGE APPLICANT PLANS TO ATTEND	ACT / SAT SCORES	
AREA OF EDUCATION PLANNING TO PURSUE		
PARENTS/GUARDIANS NAMES		
DO THEY HAVE A CONNECTION TO PUBLIC EDUCATION?	WHAT SYSTEM/SCHOOL	
EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES		
HIGH SCHOOL HONORS		
CHURCH / COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES		

#### (Applicant may use additional sheets as needed.)

- 1. Attach a **typed** essay of approximately 100 words to this form explaining why you want to teach and the field in which you are most interested.
- 2. You **MUST** include an official transcript (signed by the registrar or counselor) of credits from your school.
- 3. Return by **February 4, 2020** to the MREA Scholarship Committee, 6300 Grelot Rd., Suite G-#152, Mobile, AL 36609 or email to headmeg@aol.com.