

OESC Spouse Scholarship Policy and Procedures

POLICY:

1. The Offutt Enlisted Spouses' Club (OESC) will award at least one spouse scholarship.
2. A Scholarship Selection Panel will determine the award recipient based on current scholastic achievement, and an essay explaining why the applicant is pursuing further education and how he/she believes further education will be of personal benefit in the future.
 - a. The Scholarship chairperson of the OESC will chair the Scholarship Selection Panel as a non-voting member.
 - b. The panel may include but is not limited to: Community Representatives, School Representatives, Local Business Representatives, and Enlisted Representative.

3. The OESC will send the scholarship award check on or about September 15, 2016, directly to the accredited institution where the recipient's account is maintained. Recipients must use the scholarship money before June 30, 2017. Unused funds will revert to the OESC. The OESC will notify the recipient when the check has been mailed to the institution.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Applicant must be currently enrolled in an accredited program of study.
2. Applicant must be a military spouse (officer or enlisted: active duty, retired, or deceased) in Cass, Sarpy, or Douglas counties in Nebraska or Mills and Pottawattamie counties in Iowa.
3. Acceptance of any full scholarship*, or another OSC/NCOWC scholarship, before or after selection as a recipient of an OESC Spouse Scholarship, will automatically terminate consideration for entitlement to an OESC scholarship. In such event, that scholarship will be awarded to an alternate in order of merit.

*The OESC policy defines a full scholarship as having a student's tuition, room & board paid.

4. Previous recipients of the OESC Spouse Scholarship are not eligible for consideration.
5. Children/Step-children, or spouses of any OESC Scholarship committee or Selection Panel member are not eligible for a scholarship in the year that person serves.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

1. Applicants must submit the following materials postmarked no later than **March 24, 2017:**
 - a. Official transcript(s) and GPA of all course work pertaining to current area of study
 - b. Completed, legible application form
 - c. A **2** page, double-spaced, 12-font essay (additional pages will not be considered) on
 - (1) Why you are pursuing further education and
 - (2) How you believe further education will be of personal benefit in the future
2. Incomplete or inaccurate applications will not be considered.
3. Your application and supporting documents must be postmarked no later than **March 24, 2017.**
4. All submitted materials will become the property of the OESC and will be retained for one full year from the date of selection. At the end of the year, all applications and supporting documents will be destroyed.
5. Please mail your materials to:

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Please direct any questions to:
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