



NMCB FOURTEEN Association Scholarship

Scholarship Criteria:

1. Student must be either (a) a High School Senior and selected for enrolment in an accredited College or Trade School or (b) a student currently enrolled in an accredited College or Trade School.
2. Student must be either (a) a current member of NMCB-14, (b) the son/daughter of a current or former member of NMCB-14, or (3) the grandson/granddaughter of a current or former member of NMCB-14. Scholarships are not available for graduate study or great grandchildren.

Application Requirements

1. The applicant shall provide a Cover Sheet which includes the following information:
 - a. Student name, address, email address and phone number.
 - b. Name of College/Trade School
 - a. Name of relative that is or was a member of NMCB-14 and how the applicant is related in accordance with the criteria specified above. The applicant shall provide two sentences to describe their relative – member of NMCB-14 – along with how the applicant is related.
 - c. Date application submitted.
2. In addition, the applicant must submit the following:
 - a. Written proof of acceptance to a college or trade school. For students already in college or trade school, the student must submit their grades from the last semester and their statement that they are enrolled for the following year at the college or trade school.
 - b. A short resume / biography / statement which discusses the following:
 - i. Hobbies
 - ii. Leadership positions
 - iii. Community activity
 - iv. Work experience
 - v. Future goals and objectives (work, education, personal)

c. An essay that meets the following criteria:

Typewritten (computer generated/printed) essay, in English, of no less than 300 words but no more than 500 words (not including references) based on the selected topic for the year. Essays over 500 words will be eliminated. The THEME for the 2023/24 School Year is: **“What is the Role of Patriotism in Your Life?”**

- i. The student must write their own essay.
- ii. The essay shall be submitted in MS Word. References shall be placed on a separate page at the end of the essay. Use Times New Roman font 12 – or Calibri font 12.
- iii. Applicant shall include a picture – head and shoulder front view (selfie).

Application Submittal

1. The completed scholarship application must be submitted to the NMCB-FOURTEEN Association Scholarship Committee Chair no later than **31 May 2024**. Applications postmarked after the cut-off date will be eliminated.

Selection

1. The applications submitted will be reviewed and rated by the Scholarship Committee after the scholarship application deadline. All information, scholastic aptitude, work & community experience together with the essay will form the basis of the review and selection.
2. The essay will be judged using the following criteria.
 - a. Knowledge of the Theme - The applicant should show a thorough knowledge of the theme, demonstrating they have done sufficient research on the subject.
 - b. Theme Development - The applicant should answer all relevant facts about the theme in their work, such as who, what, where, when and why. The applicant should attempt to relate the theme to their own experiences.
 - c. Clarity of Ideas - The applicant should write their essay in an easy-to-understand format. The applicant should pay close attention to punctuation and grammar. The applicant should attempt to leave the reader with a clear understanding of the theme.
3. The selection of the scholarship awardee will be made solely by the Scholarship Committee and said selection shall be final.

Scholarship Award

1. When an applicant is selected for a scholarship, a check will be sent to the college or trade school of the recipient’s choice based on their acceptance to said school. For those students that have a Florida Bright Futures scholarship (or other similar state scholarship), which pays tuition, the scholarship can be used to pay some of the dormitory fees, a meal card fee, laboratory fees, or books; in such instance a current receipt for said items must be presented to and approved by the Scholarship Committee.

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2. Two **\$1,000** scholarships can be awarded to two Applicants – one scholarship per awardee per year.
3. Scholarships are school-year specific and therefore must be applied for annually and no more than two will be awarded to any scholarship recipient one per year for two years.
4. The selected scholarship awardee(s) is/are requested to attend the NMCB-14 Association Annual Reunion with his or her NMCB-14 member (if alive – if not their parents). This will be held on October 12, 2024, in Jacksonville, FL. If the student cannot attend (because they attend a college away from the reunion area), then we request they submit picture of him or her and a short written review of their school and their selected course of study.

The scholarship selection will be announced in the Association newsletter and in other SEABEE newsletters or journals and publications.

