

R. E. FRENCH FAMILY EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The R. E. French Family Educational Foundation was created by the R. E. French Family to provide scholarships for high school graduates who plan to continue their education after high school, beginning in the semester following their high school graduation. The final decisions and selections will be made based upon the applicant's high school grades, test scores, financial need, chosen course of study, and the committee's assessment of the applicant's motivation and character. Awards will be paid after the successful applicant has been accepted for admission to a college, university, vocational technical training school, school of nursing, or licensed training program.

Applicants must have an ACT minimum score of 19 and a minimum GPA of 3.0

Applicants are required to submit:

1. **Complete OFFICIAL high school grade transcript, (including First semester of Senior year)**
2. **OFFICIAL, CERTIFIED grade transcript for any dual credit classes taken**
3. **Copies of ACT and/or SAT test results**
4. **Complete Application Blank with Detailed Essays**
5. **High school attendance information – Only Totals for each Year**
6. **Complete contact information of the applicant—including street, city, state and zip code, email address, change of name, and cell or home phone number.**

A Recent Photo Will Be Requested Of The Successful Applicants.

ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED AND ALL SECTIONS OF THE ESSAYS MUST BE COMPLETED FOR THE APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A SCHOLARSHIP AWARD. IF THERE IS NO ANSWER FOR A QUESTION, PLEASE RESPOND WITH A N/A OR UNKNOWN. LEAVING A QUESTION BLANK WILL DISQUALIFY YOUR APPLICATION. IF A REQUIRED ENCLOSURE IS BEING SENT SEPARATELY, THEN AN EXPLANATION MUST BE PROVIDED, OTHERWISE THE APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

**THIS APPLICATION MUST BE TYPEWRITTEN IN ENTIRETY
FOR THE APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED.**

**COMPLETED APPLICATIONS, WITH THE ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED, ARE TO BE
EITHER DELIVERED TO OUR OFFICE OR POSTMARKED NOT LATER THAN
MARCH 1, 2023**

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REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The student is required to maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average on not less than 12-college (degree) credit hours per semester. *(Clock hours must be approved by the Trustees before enrolling in any clock hour classes.)*

College credit hours are hours earned and credited toward the student's degree.

Taking classes that do not count as college credit hours will not be included in the 12 hours you are required to take.

An OFFICIAL, CERTIFIED grade transcript is required at the end of each semester that the student receives the award, regardless of the grade point average earned for the semester. This also applies to the semester of the student's graduation.

A CERTIFIED copy of the enrollment/class schedule for the current semester is required. Most colleges include this on the updated transcript. The class schedule printed from the Internet is acceptable ONLY when a signed letter from the registrar supports it.

A CERTIFIED copy of the fees paid receipt showing the fees paid information for the current semester or that a payment plan has been worked out is required at the beginning of each semester. A signed letter from the cashier is acceptable.

THE NAME of the STUDENT and the NAME of the INSTITUTION the student is attending must appear visibly on each required document.

ALL of the THREE required documents MUST be received by:

FEBRUARY 28th for the Spring Semester and

OCTOBER 15TH for the Fall Semester **each year.**

The scholarship award check will not be issued to the student until all proper OFFICIAL, CERTIFIED documents have been received. The scholarship award check will be issued in the student's name and sent to the home address.

Only upon special request by the student will the scholarship award check be sent to the student's college address. ***It is your responsibility to keep us informed of a change of address or contact information. Sharing your college email address, when it is available to you, will be most helpful.***

COMMUNICATION is **VERY** important. Unless the student communicates with the Trustees of the Foundation, the Trustees do not know that he/she is experiencing difficulty. The difficulty might be acquiring the proper documents to receive the scholarship award check, enrolling in and finishing the required number of credit hour classes in any semester, illness, family situations; whatever might arise. **Only students in good standing that communicate his/her progress, keep the Trustees informed of his/her graduation date and meet all other requirements of the Foundation will be assured of the retention of his/her scholarship.**

The scholarships are **CONTINUING**, consecutive semester, **SCHOLARSHIPS**. The original amount is available to the student each semester he/she continues his/her education as a full-time student and maintains the academic standards set by the Foundation. This includes not only two- and four-year degrees, but the pursuit of degrees to other fields, such as medicine, law, etc. provided that the student continues in the graduate program in the semester following graduation

from the undergraduate program. The student must receive approval from the Trustees prior to entrance into the graduate program to retain scholarship status. INTERNSHIP and STUDY ABROAD participation MUST be discussed with the Trustees prior to entering the program to retain scholarship status.

CHANGING SCHOOLS/MAJORS: When a student makes a decision to change schools and/or majors, it is required that the Foundation be notified promptly, giving reasons for such changes. The Trustees will evaluate the validity of the change(s) and determine the student's eligibility for continued Scholarship support.

ESSAY

Please attach to this application an essay telling the trustees – **in three pages or less** - the information requested below plus anything else you believe might help convince the trustees to grant you a scholarship award. The essay should be divided into at least the three distinct parts indicated here.

Part I

Introduce yourself. Tell us who you are. Describe your family. Give your background. Describe who or what has been the greatest motivating factor in your life and tell what effect it has had on you. Tell us what obstacles, difficulties, and circumstances that you have encountered and how you dealt with them and what effect they have had on your life.

Part II

What goals or expectations have you set for yourself in the past? What are your goals and expectations now that you are graduating from high school? What do you plan to study in college or the other training program you have selected? Explain what you expect to achieve with that training and the effect you think it will have on your future life. What are your career plans? In what ways do you anticipate your life will affect others?

Part III

Please tell us your views about the following:

- (a) Name two or three **famous people (Not family members)** from the past or present that you admire and tell why.
- (b) If you were faced with the decision to tell the truth and the truth would be harmful or hurt someone, would you still do it? Explain why or why not.

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What honors/awards have you received? Give the year (s).

What are your hobbies or favorite activities?

Work/Job records for which you were paid. Please give the year(s).

Unpaid work record at home and/or as a volunteer. Please give the year(s).

Would you be willing to authorize the educational institution you attend to provide the trustees of the Foundation with copies of your grade transcript at the close of each semester after each semester you received the award? _____

Name of college, university or training program you plan to attend. _____

Reason for your choice _____

What do you intend as your major study area in college or the training program you have selected?

REFERENCES: List three references the trustees may contact (no relatives please).

	(Name)	(Address)	(Phone No.)	(Occupation)
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____

Financial Information

How do you plan to finance your college education? _____

Approximately how much money will you have to begin your post-high school education?

How much can you depend on from home? \$ _____ /Month \$ _____ /Year

Do you plan to work part-time while attending school? _____

How much do you anticipate earning? \$ _____ (Per Month or Per Hour)

Please list the expenditures you anticipate for the first semester including:

Tuition \$ _____ Books \$ _____ Supplies \$ _____ Room/Board \$ _____

Fees/Activities \$ _____ Other \$ _____ Transportation \$ _____ **Total** \$ _____

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Please list each of the scholarships for which you have applied or will apply. Please tell us the amount of each of those scholarships. Please tell us if you have been awarded any of those scholarships.

Scholarship Name/College	Dollar Amount	Received/Not Received/ Not Yet Awarded

Attendance Information – Totals Only for Each Year Per the Counselor

Year of High School	Days Attended	Days Absent	Tardiness
Ninth Grade/Freshman			
Tenth Grade/Sophomore			
Eleventh Grade/Junior			
Twelfth Grade/Senior			

If absence or tardiness is more than the school has set in their School Attendance Policy, please explain below.

If you understand that the RE French Family Educational Foundation Committee has limited funds and may not be able to award scholarships to all qualified applicants,



PLEASE SIGN HERE
