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TO: Regional Scholarship Applicant

SUBJECT: Regional Scholarship Application

Enclosed is a Regional Scholarship Application Form. Please take a few minutes to carefully read the instructions and information. **Fill out, sign, and return the completed three-page application form to the conference or union of which you are a member, by December 1.** Please do not return the other pages of the application form. The Conference/Union will approve and sign your application and forward it to the North American Division **by January 31.**

Before you proceed to read the instructions and complete the application form, answer the following questions:

- 1. Full-Time Student in NAD-Based Graduate School:** Are you a full-time graduate student currently enrolled in a recognized educational program leading to a doctoral or master's degree in a school based in NAD (Bermuda, Canada, United States of America) territory? Yes No
- 2. Citizenship:** Are you a citizen of the USA? Yes No
- 3. Regional Conference:** Are you a member in good and regular standing with membership in one of the following Conferences/Unions? Yes No

Allegheny East Conference	Pacific Union Conference
Allegheny West Conference	South Atlantic Conference
Central States Conference	South Central Conference
Lake Region Conference	Southeastern Conference
North Pacific Union Conference	Southwest Region Conference
Northeastern Conference	

If you have answered **NO** to *any* of the three questions above, I am sorry to tell you that you are not eligible to receive the NAD Regional Scholarship. If you have answered **YES** to **all** of the questions—congratulations—you are eligible to apply for the scholarship! Again, read all the information and instructions provided before completing and signing the three-page application form.

May the Lord richly bless you and your studies in your journey to higher education!

The NAD Regional Scholarship Committee

REGIONAL CONFERENCES/UNIONS

Conference: Allegheny East Conference
Attention: President's Office
P.O. Box 266
Pine Forge, PA 19548
Phone: (610) 326-4610
Fax: (610) 326-3946

Conference: Allegheny West Conference
Attention: President's Office
1339 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43205
Phone: (614) 252-5271
Fax: (614) 252-3246

Conference: Central States Conference
Attention: President's Office
3301 Parallel Parkway
Kansas City, KS 66104
Phone: (913) 371-1071
Fax: (913) 371-1609

Conference: Lake Region Conference
Attention: President's Office
19860 S. La Grange Rd.
Mokena, IL 60448
Phone: (773) 846-2661
Fax: (773) 846-5727

Union: North Pacific Union Conference
Attention: Regional Ministries Office
5709 N. 20th Street
Ridgefield, WA 98642-7724
Phone: (360) 857-7000
Fax: (360) 857-7001

Conference: Northeastern Conference
Attention: President's Office
115-50 Merrick Blvd.
Jamaica, NY 11434
Phone: (718) 291-8006
Fax: (718) 739-5133

Union: Pacific Union Conference
Attention: Regional Ministries Office
2686 Townsgate Rd. (P. O. Box 5005)
Westlake Village, CA 91359
Phone: (805) 413-7100
Fax: (805) 495-2644

Conference: South Atlantic Conference
Attention: President's Office
3978 Memorial Dr.
Decatur, GA 30032
Phone: (404) 792-0535
Fax: (404) 792-7817

Conference: South Central Conference
Attention: President's Office
715 Youngs Lane
Nashville, TN 37207-4936
Phone: (615) 226-6500
Fax: (615) 262-9141

Conference: Southeastern Conference
Attention: President's Office
1701 Robie Ave.
Mount Dora, FL 32757
Phone: (352) 735-3142
Fax: (352) 735-4547

Conference: Southwest Region Conference
Attention: President's Office
2215 Lanark Ave. (P. O. Box 226289)
Dallas, TX 75203-4528
Phone: (214) 943-9864
Fax: (214) 946-2528

REMEMBER: Please complete and sign your application then obtain the required signatures. By **December 1**, send the three **original** pages of your application form to the local Conference or Union **where you hold your current membership.** By **January 31**, your local Conference/Union will send all applications to the North American Division.

**North American Division
REGIONAL SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION**

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About the...

NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

REGIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

HISTORY

At the 1971 Annual Council of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, the ***Regional Scholarship Fund*** was established to serve the membership of the regional conferences located in the territory of what today is the North American Division. In addition, members served by the Offices of Regional Affairs for the North Pacific Union and Pacific Union were also eligible to apply for assistance from this fund.

ELIGIBILITY

The ***Regional Scholarship Fund*** is available for full-time graduate students enrolled in recognized educational programs leading to doctoral or master's degrees. Applicants must be citizens of Bermuda, Canada, or the USA and must be enrolled in schools based in the NAD territory. Students from Divisions other than NAD are not eligible to receive assistance from this fund. Applicants must be church members in good and regular standing in any of the churches in the Regional Conferences or in the North Pacific and Pacific Unions, administered by the Office of Regional Affairs for those Unions.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the ***Regional Scholarship Fund*** is to encourage the growth of strong leaders for the Church, whether recipients are ultimately hired in the Church organization or whether they serve as supportive lay members in the future. This fund provides a means for church members to invest their resources in the future leadership of their church.

This scholarship is not based on **need** but on the premise that recipients enter into an agreement with their Conference to use their talents and abilities to enhance the mission of the Church within their diversified fields.

INSTRUCTIONS

Please read carefully the enclosed information and instructions. Completing all forms and securing requested signatures are essential to the application process.

Before proceeding, please read...

INSTRUCTIONS

ELIGIBILITY

- A. **Regional Conference**
The applicant must be a church member in regular standing in a regional conference or a church in the territory of the Office of Regional Affairs in the North Pacific or Pacific Unions.
- B. **Citizenship**
The applicant must be based in the North American Division and a citizen of the United States of America.
- C. **Full-Time**
The applicant must be a full-time student in a graduate professional school based in the NAD territory, in the approved areas of study.
- D. **SDA Institutions**
Preference will be given to students attending Seventh-day Adventist institutions. However, grants may be awarded to students attending other accredited schools offering studies in approved areas.
- E. **Financial Information**
The applicant must submit verification of financial need based on information included in the application and must be earning satisfactory grades.

AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE

To be administered by the North American Division Regional Scholarship Committee.

FUNDING AVAILABILITY

For Master's Degrees: Up to 2 years
For Law Degrees: Up to 3 years
For All Other Doctoral Degrees: Up to 4 years

Each applicant may be approved to receive grants up to two (2) graduate programs only.

INSTRUCTIONS ...continued

SOME OF THE APPROVED COURSES OF STUDY

Medical School

Dental
Medical

Graduate Professional Studies

Accounting
Archaeology
Business Administration
Communication/Journalism
Computer Science
Counseling
Dietetics: Food Administration
Economics
Elementary & Secondary Education
Engineering
Hospital Administration
Human Services and other related professional
disciplines
Industrial Education
Law
Marketing
Nursing
Public Health
Social Work
Speech Pathology & Audiology

Note: Due to the major investment by the North American Division in Seminary Training at Andrews University, programs in Religion are not approved courses of study.

PROCEDURES

- A. **Application Form:** The application form must be requested from the Regional Conferences or the Union's Office of Regional Affairs.
- B. **Signatures:** After the application has been received, completed, and signed by the applicant, school registrar, and local church pastor, it must be returned to the Regional Conference or Union Office of Regional Affairs of which the student is a member.
- C. **Conference:** The Conference Office will have the application approved by the appropriate committee and obtain the proper signatures. The signature of the Conference president or North Pacific/Pacific Union Office of Regional Affairs director is imperative.

INSTRUCTIONS ...continued

- D. **North American Division:** The completed application form must be forwarded to the North American Division of SDA:

G. Alexander Bryant, *Chair*
Regional Scholarship Committee
North American Division
9705 Patuxent Woods Drive
Columbia, MD 21046-1565

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION TO REACH
THE NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION OFFICE:
JANUARY 31**
(Your Conference Deadline is December 1)

- The application form needs to be **completed and sent** to your local Conference or Union **by December 1**.
 - It is **YOUR** responsibility to ensure that your application has been received by your local Conference/Union.
 - Please contact your local Conference to confirm that they have signed and sent your application to the NAD office **by January 31**. Late applications will not be considered due to limited resources.
- E. **NAD Regional Scholarship Committee:** The secretary of the Regional Scholarship Committee presents the applications to the Scholarship Committee for approval. Approved applications will be sent to the North American Division Committee on Administration (NADCOA) for final approval.
- F. **NAD Committee on Administration:** The North American Division Committee on Administration (NADCOA) approves the applications and checks are sent to the students.
- G. **Once a Year:** A student can apply only once a year, must have matriculated, and be in actual attendance at a college or university of choice.



Please take a few minutes to carefully read the following:

NOVEMBER 1 – DECEMBER 1:

- Complete and send the three (3) pages of your application form to your local Conference/Union.
- It is your responsibility to ensure that your application has been received by your local Conference/Union. Please contact the Office of the President of your local Conference or the Office of Regional Affairs in your Union to confirm that they have signed and sent your application to the NAD Office by January 31.

JANUARY 31:

- Your local Conference/Union will approve and sign your application and forward it to the North American Division.
- Late applications will be returned to your local Conference/Union.

INCORRECTLY COMPLETED FORMS:

- Application forms completed incorrectly will be returned to your local Conference/Union.

ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS:

- Original documents are required. Please do not fax or mail copies of your application form or supporting documents.

PROVIDED INFORMATION:

- Your information needs to be consistent with the information provided by your school.
- Before mailing your application, please make sure you have checked the following: citizenship, church, Conference, Union, degree, field of study, year of study, full-time status, signatures from applicant, school, church, and Conference/Union.