

Christ Saves Hearts Foundation, Inc. 7751 Brier Creek Pkwy., Suite 100 Raleigh, NC 27617 Info@ChristSavesHearts.org www.ChristSavesHearts.org

# **SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

\*DEADLINE: May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025

**DESCRIPTION:** The Christ Saves Hearts Scholarship Program was established in 2016 to provide college scholarships to graduating NC Triangle high school seniors and college freshman who have been directly affected by heart disease. The scholarships available are non-renewable awards of (one) \$1,000 scholarship and (two) \$500 scholarships. These scholarships will be applied to the cost of undergraduate tuition, fees, room and board, and other college expenses.

**CRITERIA:** To receive consideration, applicants must:

- Be African-American, Hispanic, Asian or other minority
- Have a minimum cumulative unweighted GPA of 2.25 for high school and 2.5 for college freshman and sophomores.
- Demonstrate financial need, but not restricted to lower family incomes (student's merit will be considered to a greater degree)
- Attend a U.S. accredited college or university beginning in the fall of 2025 in pursuit of a baccalaureate degree
- Reside or attend a university in one of the following counties: Chatham, Durham, Johnston, Orange, Pearson, or Wake

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** An electronic version of the application is available by emailing Info@ChristSavesHearts.org. Submissions must be mailed to Christ Saves Hearts Foundation Inc. 7751 Brier Creek Pkwy., Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27617 with a postmark dated on or before May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 or emailed on or before May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 to Info@ChristSavesHearts.org. The following items must be submitted:

- Application completed in full with a written essay (minimum 500 words)
- High school transcript through the most recent semester and 1<sup>st</sup> semester college transcript (if applicable)
- Two letters of recommendation one academic and one personal (include why the applicant should receive the award)
- Any other supporting materials are optional (i.e. financial, media formats, etc.)

\*\*\*The application and all supplemental materials must be received by the deadline above to be considered. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

### **SELECTION PROCESS:**

A Scholarship Committee of The Christ Saves Hearts Foundation Inc. will select recipients. The committee reserves the right to rescind an award should a recipient's circumstances change, such as failure to graduate from high school or failure to enroll at an accredited institution. The Foundation reserves the right to withhold the award in the event that no applicants are deemed to meet the qualifications.

### **REQUIREMENTS AFTER SELECTION:**

Recipients must attend the Christ Saves Hearts Scholarship Gala to receive one of the three awards. Date will be announced with all scholarship announcements. Recipients must maintain the required GPA for the remainder of their school year. On or before July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, recipients must mail their final transcript for 2024-2025 and a copy of their college acceptance letter (if applicable) to Christ Saves Hearts Foundation Inc. 7751 Brier Creek Pkwy., Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27617.

### **PAYMENT PROCESS:**

Once recipient(s) has been selected, checks will be issued jointly to the college and to the recipient and will be mailed to the recipient's home address for the student to deliver to the college's financial aid office. Separate checks will be issued for fall and spring semesters. Check processing requires approximately two to four weeks. Final transcript must be received prior to release of any and all checks.

**MANAGEMENT OF FUND:** The scholarship fund is administered by Christ Saves Hearts Foundation Inc. Questions regarding this scholarship may be directed to Info@ChristSavesHearts.org.

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First Name:	Middle:	Last:		
Address:		Apt:		
City:	County:	State:	Zip:	
Phone#:	Email:			
Birth Date:	Gender:	Race/Ethnicity:		
Your High School or College	Name:			
Phone:		Grade Level:		
SAT or ACT Reading:		SAT or ACT Math:		
Weighted GPA:		Unweighted GPA:		
College(s) in which you have or will apply: (if applicable)				
Interest of field(s) of study:				
Your church affiliation (please be specific, or "None" if no affiliation):				
Number of family members li	iving in your household inclu	uding yourself:		
Your family's estimated adjus	ted gross income for 2022 (N	Not required):		



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# CHECK (X) ALL BELOW THAT APPLY TO YOU:

I am a US Citizen.	
I will be a college freshman in the fall of 2025.	
I am a freshman or sophomore attending a North Carolina college or university.	
I am the first in my immediate family to attend college.	
I already have a four-year college degree.	
I am an active church member.	
I live or have lived in housing managed by the Housing Authority of my city.	
I am directly affected or have suffered from heart disease.	
I am a dependent child or sibling of someone affected or having suffered from heart disease.	
I am employed at least 20 hours per month.	
I have had one or more parents decease due to a heart illness.	

I can demonstrate leadership	
I participate in HS and/or college sports (including support roles)	
I participate in student service clubs and/or other school activities.	
I participate in church activities	
I participate in the areas of fine arts, music and/or performing arts in high school and/or college	
I have participated in at least one heart health event in the past two years.	



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# **ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS:**

On a separate sheet of paper, type a 500-word essay or less on why you should be considered for a Christ Saves Hearts Scholarship and please describe how you have been affected by or have suffered from heart disease. In addition to essay, student is allowed to submit a video presentation that is 3 minutes or less.

## **REQUIRED SIGNATURES / PARENT INFORMATION:**

I certify that the information provided in this application is true, complete and accurate, and that all statements and essay are my own work. I also understand that a scholarship award from Christ Saves Hearts Foundation, Inc. may be denied or revoked at any time if any information contained herein is found to be inaccurate or fails to comply with scholarship requirements. Should I receive an award, I hear by give Christ Saves Hearts Foundation, Inc. permission to utilize my name, photographs, and award amount in publicity, website, and/or marketing materials.

Applicant's Signature	Date
Parent / Guardian Signature	Date
Parent / Guardian Name (Printed)	
Parent / Guardian Email	Parent/Guardian Telephone Number

### **APPLICATION CHECKLIST:**

- □ Scholarship Application Completed, Signed and Dated by both student applicant and parent.
- Essay typed on separate sheet of paper (500 words or less).
- Two letters of recommendation (Sealed).
- □ Official High School and/or College Transcript (Sealed).