

DAUGHTER CONNECTION OF HAMPTON ROADS, INC.
“Connecting Pieces of the Puzzle toward a Cure” A 501(c)3 Non-Profit Community Service Organization



**The 2026 Daughter Connection of Hampton Roads, Inc. (DCHR)
Dessie M. Chambers (DMC) Champion for the Cause Scholarship Fund Application**

Overview:

Director and Founder, Dianne E.C. Powell to aid individuals living in the Hampton Roads area established Dessie M. Chambers Champion for the Cause Scholarship Fund in 2023 whose lives have been impacted by breast cancer. This scholarship is in memory of the life and legacy of a courageous breast cancer survivor, Dessie M. Chambers, who was the mother of the organization's director. Through our scholarships, we aim to inspire and support students from diverse backgrounds, fostering a brighter future for themselves and their communities.

Application must be received on or before June 21, 2026.
Any application received after this date will not be considered.

Criteria:

1. The applicant must have been personally impacted by breast cancer, either directly or through the experience of a family member or friend.
2. The applicant has been accepted as a full-time or part-time student at an accredited two or four -year college or university.

The Scholarship award will be in the amount of \$1,200.00. The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to designate award amounts. The scholarship will be sent directly to the student's university or college.

Daughter Connection of Hampton Roads, Inc. shows no bias toward applicants of any race, religion, or gender - none of which will be considered in choosing scholarship recipients. Evidence of financial need for college expenses is strongly recommended.

How to Apply:

It is recommended that a parent or guidance counselor should verify all information prior to submitting the application.

All Applicants must submit the following:

I. Scholarship Application (Click Link below to open)

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScvocukjVpPi5ZkHlt3qGGd-Avz1fNaz6-2GgNawrvOPhaP8Q/viewform?usp=header>

II. Academic Performance

Submit an official copy of your current transcript showing your overall grade point average based on the 4.0 GPA scale. Transcripts can be sent via email below to:
daughterconnection2@yahoo.com.

III. Information Package

A. Student Essay

This scholarship provides an excellent opportunity for college-bound students to consider the impact that breast cancer has had on their life and the lives of their family members and friends. Essays shall be double-spaced using Times New Roman 12-point font size.

Students are required to submit a 250-word bio and write a 250 to 500-word essay that answers the following questions:

- 1. How has breast cancer changed or impacted your life?*
- 2. What have you learned about yourself, your family and /or your community in the face of coping with breast cancer?*
- 3. What are your educational and career goals?*

B. Letter of Recommendation

One letter of recommendation from a teacher, employer, counselor or principal who knows you well.

