



Ministry Investment Funds

2020-2021 Winstrom Youth Service Scholarship Application

RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS

Thank you for your interest in applying for a 2020-2021 Winstrom Youth Scholarship.

If this is your initial application, please submit a ***First Time Application*** form. If you are a current recipient, please submit a ***Renewal Application***. Please take care to submit the correct form.

Note all completed and signed paperwork must be received in the Church Office (or postmarked) on or before **March 1, 2020**.

Late applications WILL NOT be considered.

Please be sure you have reviewed all eligibility requirements.

Scholarship recipients will receive a letter of acceptance in April or May 2020 and will be recognized during a Sunday Church service in June (date to be announced). It is expected you will attend. In addition, recipients must also contribute to a video which will be shown to the congregation during the Church recognition.

Morning Star members are blessed by the generosity of our donors and by the opportunity this scholarship gives for recognizing dedicated youth service to Morning Star Lutheran Church. The many ways our youth members serve in the church and through our church are valuable to, and also valued by, our congregation and others we serve.

Sincerely,

Morning Star Ministry Investment Funds Committee

WHAT IS YOUR MAJOR? _____ MINOR? _____

UNDERGRADUATE STATUS IN FALL 2020? _____

3. FAITH AND SERVICE STATEMENTS

*PLEASE SELECT AND THOUGHTFULLY RESPOND TO 3 OF THE 6 FOLLOWING QUESTIONS (100-300 WORDS).
USE A SEPARATE PAGE.*

- A. How would you apply what you experienced at Morning Star to your schooling or to real world situations?
- B. How have you shared your faith, or how have others with a different experience shared their faith with you in the past year?
- C. How do you strengthen and/or maintain your faith? Consider your faith habits and choices, such as prayer, worship, having a Bible with you (opening it), relationships, finding time, etc.?
- D. How will you apply what you've learned/experienced at Morning Star in your career?
- E. Who has been a mentor (from Morning Star or elsewhere) that has helped you grow in your faith? Explain.
- F. It's normal for your faith habits and even your core beliefs to be challenged when you move on to this independent stage of life. Please share an experience in which you feel you are drawing closer (or drifting away) from your personal faith.
- G. How has your service at Morning Star influenced how you currently serve now that you are in college?

PLEASE REVIEW YOUR APPLICATION, ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS, AND SIGN YOUR APPLICATION. SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TO THE CHURCH OFFICE (ATTN: MIF).

- 1. Have you answered every question?
- 2. Have you attached your transcript? *(Your transcript does not need to be official, but it does need to be the most current.)*
- 3. What is the mandatory due date for this application?

The information and answers on my application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature and Date Required

Morning Star Youth Service Scholarship Information Sheet

Purpose:

- Recognize youth who have provided active service to support the community and programs of Morning Star Lutheran Church.
- Assist Morning Star high school graduates in their pursuit of post-secondary undergraduate studies.
- Award qualifying students with one year scholarships for up to four years maximum.

Eligibility:

- Must be a member of Morning Star Lutheran Church, which will include documented church service attendance during the calendar year prior to the award year.
- Must have a history of active service as a youth at Morning Star.
- Must pursue full-time study at an accredited post-secondary institution (minimum 12 hours per semester).
- Must graduate from high school with a minimum GPA of 2.5.
- Must maintain a minimum college GPA of 2.5 in order to be considered for recurring scholarship awards.
- Each school year is an independent decision and students must reapply.
- Recipients may receive no more than 4 individual annual scholarships.

Considerations:

- Preference is given to youth who serve the church as acolytes.
- Other service which supports the operation the church and church programs is also important. (Examples include lay reader, Sunday school assistant, special music, choir, usher.)
- Extended community service sponsored/organized by Morning Star directly, or through the Nebraska Synod, will also be considered

Dates:

- **APPLICATIONS ARE DUE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE BY 4:30^{PM} ON MARCH 1, 2020.**
Applications received after the deadline date and time will **NOT** be considered.
- Awards are typically announced to the congregation in June.
- Applications will be available in the Church Office late November or Early December.