



# Madison Lions Club Scholarship

Lions Clubs take an active interest in serving their communities following the motto "We Serve". The five pillars of service include vision, hunger, diabetes, childhood cancer and the environment. The Madison Lions Club has served the citizens of Madison County for over 30 years. One of our many activities is to award a deserving high school senior \$3,000 toward their first year of college tuition. We hope to encourage and reward the hard work and dedication of a student who is active in their community and shows a spirit of giving back to others. Hopefully, this award will help the recipient attain their educational goals and continue on to a prosperous future.

## General Requirements

1. Applicants must reside in an area served by the Madison Lions Club which includes the cities of Madison, Ridgeland, Gluckstadt and surrounding areas or be a member in good standing of the Metro Leo Club.
2. Applicants must be planning to attend a Mississippi college, university or community college.
3. Eligibility is open to graduating high school seniors only.
4. Applicants must complete and submit an application with supporting documentation by March 31, 2025.
5. Payment of this scholarship will be made in two installments at the beginning of each of the two semesters of the school year.
6. Payment will be made directly to the university or community college in the recipient's name. Payment will only be made upon notification of the student's enrollment.
7. A 2.5 GPA must be maintained out of a possible 4.0 during the first semester. If the recipient does not maintain a 2.5 GPA or does not enroll for the second semester, the remaining scholarship funds will be forfeited. The forfeited funds will remain in the Madison Lions Club scholarship fund.

## Selection Criteria

A panel of Lions Club members will select the applicant based on the following criteria:

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| 1. Scholastic performance                          | 20pts |
| 2. Financial need                                  | 20pts |
| 3. Leadership qualities                            | 20pts |
| 4. School and community activities                 | 20pts |
| 5. Participation in Leo Club                       | 15pts |
| 6. Having a visual, hearing or diabetic impairment | 15pts |

## Additional information to be submitted

1. A high school transcript showing grades for all courses and an overall GPA.
2. Two letters of recommendation. One from a school official and one from a local citizen.
3. An essay of 250 words or less on "Why I need a scholarship" that includes information pertaining to selection criteria and any factors regarding financial need such as family income, family size, and other circumstances that warrant attention.

## **Please Note:**

- **Incomplete applications or applications without supporting material will be disqualified.**
- **Application and all supporting material must be submitted by March 31, 2025.**
- **Relatives of Madison Lions Club board members are ineligible.**

## **MADISON LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (M/D/Y): \_\_\_\_\_ Current Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

College Attending in Fall: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Counselor Name and Email:

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*Do not attach a separate list. Please include any additional details in your essay.*

Extracurricular School Activities:

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Civic, Church and Community Activities:

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Employment History/Special Classes Taken:

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Leadership Positions/Awards:

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Vision or Hearing Impairments; Diabetic Condition:

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return applications to:

Madison Lions Club

PO Box 701

Madison, MS 39110

Email: lionsclubofmadison@gmail.com