Scholarship

Scholarship Amounts
The number of scholarships awarded and amounts vary year to year, depending on donations. Scholarships were awarded in 2023 for the following amounts:

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Basic Qualifications
The Friends of the Baxter County Library Scholarship is open to Baxter County residents who meet the following criteria:

- High school graduating seniors
- Have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher
- Have been accepted by an accredited school of higher education

Scholarship Application

The Scholarship Application includes submitting a 1,200-2,000 word essay.

Complete the attached Application and submit along with all Required Documents.

Applications must be received at the following address by April 1, 2024:
Library Director
Donald W. Reynolds Library Serving Baxter County
300 Library Hill Mountain Home, AR 72653

For more information, contact:
Nancy Knopp
Friends of the Library Scholarship Chair
nancyellenk62@gmail.com
FRIENDS OF THE BAXTER COUNTY
LIBRARY Scholarship Application 2024

Name _______________________________________________________________
Address _____________________________________________________________
Telephone: Home ______________________ Cell___________________________
E-mail ____________________________________

Qualifying Information
☐ I am a Baxter County resident.
☐ I attend a Baxter County High School: ____________________________
☐ I will graduate high school in the 2023-2024 school year.
☐ I have applied for admission at the following colleges/universities:

☐ My college admission test score is SAT: _______  ACT: _______
☐ My grade point average is 2.5 or higher: _______

Required Documents for Application
☐ My Application form is fully completed.
☐ My Cover Letter is attached, including a summary of my achievements and career goals.
☐ My Academic Resume is attached.
☐ My Essay is attached.

Essay Requirements
☐ Written about the topic:
   In your opinion, how does censorship and book banning impact society?
☐ 1200-2000 words
☐ Includes a bibliography with a minimum of 5 sources.
☐ Written in MLA style
☐ DO NOT include your name or other personal information on the essay.

All required documents must be received at the following address by April 1, 2024:

Baxter County Library Director
300 Library Hill
Mountain Home, AR 72653

The essays will be judged by a separate judging panel. Applicants with top-rated essays will be interviewed by the Friends of the Library (FOL) Scholarship Committee in May. The winning applicants will be announced in May.

The scholarship recipients should agree to accept the award in-person at the Library. Acceptance of the FOL scholarship authorizes the use of photographs and the names of recipients in all FOL promotional news releases.

The scholarship funds will be paid directly to the selected winners’ institute of higher education. The student must provide proof of admission, and then the FOL scholarship funds will be issued.