

The Marie A. Dornhecker Foundation

OFFICIAL APPLICATION FOR WINTER 2024

THE MARIE A. DORNHECKER
SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROMOTING
THE STUDY OF THE FRENCH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE IN VIRGINIA

Please complete the entire application, if more space is needed attach additional sheets, **do not** use the back of the paper. Attach your high school, or college, transcript (student copies are acceptable, but will be subject to verification by the Foundation and, by signing this application, the applicant expressly authorizes the Foundation to obtain certified copies of the applicant's official transcript(s) at the discretion of the Foundation). **Application and essay must be received at 308 Cedar Lakes Drive, 2nd Floor, Chesapeake, Virginia 23322-8343, no later than December 14, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.** Applicants must be Virginia residents.

In addition to this application, each applicant must prepare and submit, with the application, a scholarly essay on the following topic:

Marquis de Lafayette. Describe the role played by the Marquis de Lafayette as aide to George Washington and his evolution as a competent commander of American forces during the Revolution. Thereafter, give an account of his life following the Revolution and his observations of American life as well as his philosophy on government and citizen's rights.

ESSAY REQUIREMENTS:

The essay must consist of no less than fifteen (15) nor more than twenty (20), single-sided, double-spaced, typed pages including footnotes and/or endnotes and a bibliography containing no less than twelve (12) sources, with a focus on primary (location research) or secondary research **not found on the Internet**. Detailed footnotes from secondary sources should be emphasized. **Encyclopedias shall not be utilized as sources.** The Scholarship's intent is to aid students in developing their ability to write a creative, scholarly paper on a college or graduate level.

EACH YEAR THE FOUNDATION SETS ASIDE FUNDS TO DISTRIBUTE FOR SCHOLARSHIPS. FOR THE 2024 YEAR, THE TOTAL OF ALL OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED WILL NOT EXCEED \$50,000.00. ALL PAPERS WILL BE GRADED BY THE SCHOLARSHIP GRADING COMMITTEE IN A METHOD WHEREBY THE APPLICANT IS ANONYMOUS TO THE COMMITTEE. EACH APPLICANT SHOULD ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS NO GUARANTY THAT EVERYONE WHO SUBMITS A PAPER AND/OR APPLIES FOR A SCHOLARSHIP WILL BE AWARDED A SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE FOUNDATION.

The Scholarship will grade papers using the following criteria:

1. Fidelity to the directions of this application.
2. Originality of the applicant and their use of sources.
3. The number of sources employed.
4. Insight and knowledge of subject material.

The Scholarship reserves the right to assign a subjective value to each paper; however, no applicant shall receive in excess of \$2,500.00. **ALL APPLICANTS WHO RECEIVE A SCHOLARSHIP, BY FILING THE APPLICATION, CONSENT TO HAVE THEIR NAME USED IN ANY PUBLIC FORUMS, DOCUMENTS OR MEDIA AS DETERMINED BY THE FOUNDATION.**

NOTE: THIS SCHOLARSHIP IS OFFERED EXCLUSIVELY TO GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS WHO HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED BY AND WILL BE ATTENDING A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY THE UPCOMING ACADEMIC YEAR AS WELL AS STUDENTS PRESENTLY ATTENDING AN ACCREDITED COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY GRADUATE PROGRAM. ALL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS WILL BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY. NOTE, APPLICANTS THAT DO NOT FOLLOW THE ESSAY REQUIREMENTS WILL BE PENALIZED OR NOT CONSIDERED.

Name: _____ Telephone No.: (____) _____

Permanent Address: _____

(Note: the Applicant's permanent address may be that of a parent or legal guardian and must be located within the Hampton Roads area of Virginia, including all cities and counties within a seventy-five mile radius of the Foundation's principal address.)

E-Mail Address: _____ Social Security Number: _____

School or College last attended: _____

GPA: _____ Honors or Awards: _____

College or University to be Attended: _____
(during the 2024-2025 academic year)

Financial Need: _____

(Note: If financial need is claimed the income of the student and the parents or legal guardians of the student must be verified by attaching copies of the federal tax returns of such persons for the past two years. This information will be held in confidence and used solely for the purpose of evaluating this application. Financial need is a secondary criteria utilized to break ties between academically equally qualified applicants.)

I hereby certify that all of the information contained herein is true and correct and that the essay enclosed herewith is the product of **my own work and research**. I have given due credit within the footnotes/endnotes to any sources quoted and those sources are cited within the bibliography attached to said essay.

Signature: _____

Date: _____