



FAIRMONT DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS CHAPTER

Member of Scholarship America Since 1974.

ELIGIBILITY:

All graduates of Fairmont High School who plan to be a full-time student at a two or four year college.

AMOUNTS:

Most scholarships range from **\$600 to \$1,000**.

DIRECTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP:

1. Complete this application (Be thorough in all sections)

***Applicant Appraisal Section** (Page 4)

High School Students - This should be completed by a high school instructor or counselor.

College Students - This should be completed by a college counselor, advisor, instructor, etc.

***Transcript Information Section** (Page 4)

High School Students - Fairmont High School counselors will complete this section.

College Students - Attach a copy of your most recent college transcript or have the college send it.

2. Submit your **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** after Jan.1, 2008. After submitting the **FAFSA** you will get a **Student Aid Report (SAR)** which has your **Expected Family Contribution (EFC)**.

***IMPORTANT:** Because financial need is usually a factor in the selection process, you must complete the **FAFSA** and then submit the **SAR**, which has the **EFC**, along with your application.

MAIL TO: Mary Granheim, Secretary, Fairmont High School, 900 Johnson St, Fairmont, MN 56031

- Completed Application. Have your "Applicant Appraisal Section – page 4" completed.

- College transcript. Either attach a current copy or have your college send the transcript to this address.

- Copy of your **Student Aid Report (SAR)** which has your **EFC**.

*** Deadline for application, transcript & SAR/EFC information is April 1, 2008**

The Selection Process:

The Fairmont Dollars for Scholars Chapter scholarship committee will assign an ID number to each application, score each application using Scholarship America's system, and a committee of chapter board members and Fairmont residents will then anonymously select the winners. In early May, all applicants will be notified if they have been selected for a scholarship. **Awards Night is May 7, 2008.**

Your Name (Print) _____

Father's place of employment _____ Mother's place of employment _____

Your qualification for some scholarships is based on your response to these questions:

- | | | | | |
|--|-------|-----|-------|----|
| Is your father/mother a veteran? | _____ | Yes | _____ | No |
| Is your father/mother a member of the VFW/Auxiliary? | _____ | Yes | _____ | No |
| Is your father/mother a member of the Eagles Club? | _____ | Yes | _____ | No |
| Is your parent/spouse a member of the Fairmont Fire Department? | _____ | Yes | _____ | No |
| Are you a member of St. John Vianney Church in Fairmont? | _____ | Yes | _____ | No |
| Are you a member of St. John's UCC Church in Fairmont? | _____ | Yes | _____ | No |
| Are you a member of the United Methodist Church in Fairmont? | _____ | Yes | _____ | No |
| Is your father/mother an employee or retiree of Fairmont Tamper? | _____ | Yes | _____ | No |
| Does your father/mother have a 4 year college degree? | _____ | Yes | _____ | No |
| Seniors: Are you a member of the Fairmont Rotary STRIVE program? | _____ | Yes | _____ | No |
| Are you currently a member of TARGET at FHS? | _____ | Yes | _____ | No |

PLEASE PRINT IN INK

For Scholarship Committee:

Applicant Data (Print)

Assigned ID Number: _____

Financial Need: _____

Categories: _____

Total Points Earned: _____

_____ Last Name First Name M. I.

_____ Permanent Address Street

_____ City State Zip Code

_____ (_____) _____
Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year) Telephone Number

Name of Parent/Guardian(s) _____

Permanent Address of parent/
guardian if different from applicant _____
Street City

_____ (_____) _____
State Zip Code Telephone Number

SCHOOL DATA

Fairmont High School Graduation Date: Year _____

Type of College I will attend next fall (circle one):

4 yr. College/University Community College Technical College Other

Name of College (If undecided, write your first choice as of today): _____

College Address (city & state): _____

Next fall I will be a college (circle one): Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Next fall I will be enrolled: _____ Full time both semesters

(Note: You must be a full-time student next school year to be considered for a Fairmont Dollars for Scholars Award.)

Anticipated date of graduation from college/technical school: _____
(month) (year)

Major field of study (Career) I plan to pursue: _____
(If you are totally undecided write Undecided.)

PERSONAL DATA

Describe your work experience during the past 4 years. Indicate place, date, and hours of employment in each job and approximate number of hours worked each week.

Place of employment	Position	Date From (mo/yr)	Date To (mo/yr)	Hours Per Week

List all school activities in which you have participated during grades 9-12 (i.e., student government, music, sports, etc.). List all community activities in which you have participated without pay during grades 9-12 (i.e., Red Cross, church work, volunteer work). List all special awards, honors. Graduates should include post high school activities

Activity Grade 9, 10, 11, etc.	No. of Years	Special Awards, Honors	Activity Grade 9, 10, 11, etc.	No. of Years	Special Awards, Honors

Make a statement of your educational and career goals:

Describe any unusual family or personal circumstances (recent divorce, loss of job, major expenses, etc.):

In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted.

In addition, I agree that if I am offered and accept an award from the Fairmont Dollars for Scholars Chapter, Scholarship America, the parent organization, and the Fairmont Chapter may use my name, the name of my community, the name and address of my school, the amount of the award and the name of the postsecondary institution I will attend (my "Recipient information") in press releases, public announcements and other fundraising or promotional materials in all media (including the Internet), to advance the non-profit objectives of Scholarship America and its affiliated programs.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Total Personal Data Points: _____

APPLICANT APPRAISAL

High School Seniors: Have this section completed by a high school instructor or counselor.
College Students: Have this section completed by a college counselor, advisor, instructor, or supervisor.

Appraisers: When completed return this form to the applicant in a sealed envelope.

The applicant's choice of a post-secondary education program is extremely appropriate very appropriate moderately appropriate inappropriate

The applicant's achievements reflect his/her ability extremely well very well moderately well not well

The applicant's ability to set realistic and attainable goals is excellent good fair poor

The quality of the applicant's commitment to school and the community is excellent good fair poor

The applicant is able to seek, find, and use learning resources extremely well very well moderately well not well

The applicant demonstrates curiosity and initiative extremely well very well moderately well not well

The applicant demonstrates good problem-solving skills, follows through, and completes tasks extremely well very well moderately well not well

The applicant's respect for self and others is excellent good fair poor

Comments (Do not name student) _____

Appraiser's Signature Date Title Telephone Number

Appraiser's Business Address Street City State Zip code

Total Appraisal Points _____

TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION

College Students: Attach your most recent college/ technical college transcript of grades or have them mailed to the address shown on page one.

This section will be completed by the high school counselors for all applicants:

High School Cumulative GPA _____ HSR _____ in a class of _____ **Points** _____

ACT Standard Score: English _____ Math _____ SAT: Verbal _____ Math _____ **Points** _____

School Official's Signature Date Title Telephone Number

Total Transcript Points: _____

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

This application for student aid becomes complete and valid only when you have returned the following materials by April 1, 2008

- Completed Application
- College Students: Current Transcript of Grades
- EFC Verification