



The Ford Field & River Club Scholarship Fund, Inc. Program Guidelines

Background and History of Our Scholarship Fund

The Ford Field & River Club Scholarship Fund, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that was created in 2018 primarily to provide scholarships for The Ford Field & River Club employees and their families interested in furthering their education. It is a separate legal entity from The Ford Field & River Club, Inc. (Club) or The Ford Field & River Association, Inc. (POA).

The Program

Scholarships are available for college and university programs as well as other accredited educational programs, including vocational or technical programs, certifications, or degrees. Awards are granted without regard to age, race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, gender, disability, or national origin.

Eligibility

Applicants to The Ford Field & River Club Scholarship Fund, Inc. must be one of the following:

- Employee of the Club in good standing as determined by the General Manager/COO;
- Children (under the age of 26) and spouses of full-time employees;
- Individuals, age 26 and under, who have been full time residents of Bryan County, GA during the most recent 12 months, with a high school diploma or GED. (*Continuing applicants do not have to reside in Bryan County, GA*).

Scholarship Criteria

All applicants for an initial award must show that they have a solid academic record and have either a high school diploma or GED. Those who are already enrolled in post-high school educational programs are expected to document their progress in those programs providing current transcripts or certifications. In addition, successful applicants (those who have received initial awards) are expected to document their progress before being considered for continuing awards. Awards are not automatically renewed. Students must reapply for the scholarship each year. Scholarship awards must be claimed in the year in which the scholarship is awarded unless an exception is granted by The Ford Field & River Club Scholarship Fund, Inc.

Application

Interested students must provide the following information no later than March 31:

- A completed application form
- A certified copy of high school or GED transcripts
- Transcripts or other documentation of post-high school educational programs if already enrolled
- A copy of the letter of acceptance from the college/university or accredited educational program. If the award letter is still pending as of the March 31 deadline, a copy of the college/program application will be needed and proof of acceptance will be required before any award is processed.

Applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all required information. It is important to answer all questions as completely as possible. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. All information received is considered to be confidential.

Selection Process

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on a combination of factors including commitment to their proposed educational program, goals for the future, and evidence of solid achievement in school and work to date. Selection will be made by The Ford Field & River Club Scholarship Committee and its Board of Directors. An interview may be requested. All applicants agree to accept the decision as final. Recipients will be notified by May 1. Students may reapply to the program each year if they meet eligibility requirements.

Payment of Scholarships

Payments will be made in equal installments on or about August 15 and December 30. Checks will be mailed and made payable to the College/University/Program listed on the application form. Arrangements may be made through Controller, Mavis Clifford, if checks are needed earlier (see contact information below).

Returning Students Reapplying for Funds

If you are a returning student recipient re-applying for funds, you need to complete the application and provide documentation of grades from the past semester.

Obligations

Recipients of awards are required to notify The Ford Field & River Club Scholarship Fund, Inc. of any changes in address, school enrollment, or other relevant information and are expected to send current documentation of their progress when requested.

Revisions

The Ford Field & River Club Scholarship Fund, Inc. reserves the right to review the conditions and procedures of this scholarship program and to make changes at any time including termination of the program.

Further Information

Should you have any questions, please contact Paula Reising, HR Director, at 912-756-5715.

All applications, forms, transcript(s) or additional information should be emailed or mailed to:

Email to: scholarship@fordfieldandriverclub.com

Correspondence may be sent to:

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