



CADC SINGLE PARENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Yearly Application Deadlines

Fall	July 1
Spring	November 1

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of the Single Parent Scholarship is to provide supplemental financial assistance and family support to those single parents who are pursuing a course of instruction that will improve their income-earning potential. Scholarships may be used for tuition, books, utility bills, car maintenance, childcare or other financial needs that contributes to the recipient's success in school.

Amount of Scholarship

Single Parent Scholarships are distributed two times a year – Spring and Fall Sessions

Full time students	(7 credit hours or more)	\$750.00
Part time students	(6 credit hours or less)	\$375.00

Criteria

Single parents selected for assistance will meet the following criteria. They must be:

- 1) A resident of **CADC's 19 County Service Area: Calhoun, Clark, Columbia, Dallas, Hempstead, Hot Spring, Howard, Lafayette, Little River, Lonoke, Miller, Montgomery, Nevada, Ouachita, Pike, Pulaski, Saline, Sevier, and Union.**
- 2) A high school or GED graduate.
- 3) A single head of household (single, divorced, or widowed) with sole custody of one or more children under the age of 18.
- 4) Pursuing a career-oriented course of study to ensure a better standard of living for his/her family. Applicants cannot already have earned an undergraduate degree with the exception of those pursuing a Master of Arts in teaching.
- 5) A low income person at or below 125% of poverty.
- 6) A recipient of or in the process of obtaining a Pell Grant.
- 7) Have a cumulative GPA of no less than 2.5.
- 8) Entrance into the CADC Mentoring and Family Support services is expected within 30 days of receiving a scholarship. Funds can be released as soon as entrance is complete with a local CADC Program Participation Specialist.

Additional Requirements

- 1) Please have three people (not related to you) send letters of reference to the Selection Committee. They should be familiar with your life experiences and with your character.
- 2) Please attach a personal statement explaining why you chose this particular course of study and what you hope to achieve. Feel free to include any information about yourself that might be helpful to the Selection Committee in its evaluation.
- 3) Please attach a copy of your high school diploma or college transcript (or GED certificate and test scores) to this application. Also, please provide **proof of enrollment**.
- 4) Proof of all household income for the month prior to the month of application (i.e. June for July application). This would include all check stubs, child support, unemployment compensation, housing utility assistance, SSI, SSA, TEA, VA and retirement. A copy of income verification will be required.
- 5) Copy of divorce decree if applicable.