



Orrstown Lodge No. 262, of Free and Accepted Masons



2025 APPLICATION

for the

MARK L. MCCLEAF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Mark L. McCleaf Memorial Scholarship is focused on vocation aptitude and accomplishment.

The applicant must be a student recommended by a Mason in Good Standing and a Member of a Masonic Lodge in the 3rd Masonic District. Preference will be granted to children, step-children, grandchildren, step-grandchildren, great-grandchildren or step-great-grandchildren, of a Member in Good Standing of Orrstown Lodge No. 262. Applicant must be between 17 and 19 years of age, a high school senior, or currently enrolled in an accredited post-high school vocational institution that educates in the vocational skilled trades. To receive funds, applicant must show proof of enrollment in post-secondary vocational skilled trades education and training.

TYPED APPLICATIONS ARE PREFERRED

To learn more about Brother Mark L. McCleaf and download a copy of this application please visit <http://orrstown262.org/Mark-L-McCleaf-Scholarship>

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ONE N. BROAD ST.
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19107

*Home of the Grand Lodge of
Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania*

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WHO ARE THE MASONS, AND WHY ARE THEY INTERESTED IN MY EDUCATION?

Freemasonry is the world's oldest and largest Fraternity. Its history and tradition date to antiquity. Its singular purpose is to make good men better. Its bonds of friendship, compassion, and brotherly love have survived even the most divisive political, military, and religious conflicts through the centuries. Freemasonry is neither a forum nor a place for worship. Instead, it is a friend of all religions that are based on the belief in one God.

Many of our nation's early patriots were Freemasons, as well as 13 signers of the Constitution and 14 Presidents of the United States, including George Washington.

Today, the more than three million Freemasons around the world come from virtually every occupation and profession. Within the Fraternity, however, they all meet as equals. They come from diverse political ideologies, but they meet as friends. They come from virtually every religious belief, but they all believe in one God.

One of the fascinating aspects of Freemasonry has always been how so many men from so many different walks of life can meet together in peace, never have any political or religious debates, always conduct their affairs in harmony and friendship, and call each other "Brother!" Freemasons are respectable citizens who are taught to conform to the moral laws of society and to abide by the laws of the government under which they live. They are men of charity and good works. They remain unchallenged as "the world's greatest philanthropy!"

The Freemasons of America contribute more than two million dollars every day to charitable causes, which they alone have established. These services to mankind represent an unparalleled example of humanitarianism, commitment, and concern by this unique and honorable Fraternity. Your education is important to them, because Freemasons are builders of character, and individual talent, and all those traits of good citizenship that preserve a free society.



Brother Mark L. McCleaf Memorial Scholarship

ORRSTOWN LODGE NO. 262, F. & A.M. 2025 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



Applications may be typed or printed. Complete information is required. Repayment is not required if student satisfactorily finishes the academic year the scholarship is applied to; however, any voluntary repayment or gift will provide an opportunity for others to complete their education. Minimum \$500 each, max \$1000; up to 2 recipients per year based on available funding. Not to exceed 2 consecutive years per applicant. First time recipients given preference. All information in this application will be kept confidential. See scholarship guidelines and general instructions for complete details.

PERSONAL DATA

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Birth date _____ Age _____ Male _____ Female _____

Email Address _____

ELIGIBILITY

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To prove eligibility, complete the below:

A. I am a enrolled in the following municipal school district: _____

B. If applicable, the vocational school I am currently enrolled at is:

C. Are you enrolled in a vocational class at Franklin County Career Technical Center: Yes No

D. I am sponsored by the following member in good standing of Lodge: _____

Print name of Masonic Sponsor _____

Signature of Sponsor _____

Vocation in which you will be enrolled: _____

Major Course of Study _____

Minor Course(s) of Study _____

SCHOLASTIC ACCOMPLISHMENT

High School Attended _____

Address _____

Year Graduated or current grade _____

GRADE POINT AVERAGE: **Please note**, that while GPA is not a major deciding factor, it is important to understand your commitment to continued education. Please provide your cumulative grade point average from your High School Transcript.

G.P.A. _____ on a scale of _____

Indicate scholastic awards, honors, and academic activities (including school clubs) here. If not a recent graduate, you may substitute life and work experiences which have had a major impact on your personal growth and development.

FINANCIAL NEED

(Do not leave any question blank. If financial information is not available, provide a reasonable estimate.)

Educational Expenses (per year)

Tuition and Fees \$ _____ Transportation \$ _____

Room and Board \$ _____ Books/Supplies \$ _____

Other Expenses \$ _____ (Explain: _____)

TOTAL EXPENSE \$ _____

List financial aid (scholarships and grants; *not loans*) which you are *guaranteed* to receive for the next academic term: _____

How much will you contribute towards your expenses?

From Investments \$ _____ Savings \$ _____

Working during summer \$ _____ Working during school year \$ _____

How much will *your parents/legal guardian* contribute? \$ _____

How much from other sources, such as trusts, etc. \$ _____

List *expected* sources of grant assistance or loans for the next term: _____

Please provide a copy of your most recently completed U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, and/or the return of your parent or guardian. Parent tax return **MUST** be included if you are claimed by them as a dependent. *(All financial information will be held confidential, for the exclusive use of Orrstown Lodge 262 Brother Mark L. McCleaf Scholarship Committee, and will not be shared with any member of Orrstown Lodge or its committees. **Attach a copy of pages 1 and 2 of your IRS Form 1040 for verification.**)*

Father's Occupation _____

Mother's Occupation _____

List names of dependents in the family, their age, and current school enrollment, if applicable:

If there are any special financial circumstances that you feel the Orrstown Lodge Brother Mark L. McCleaf Scholarship Committee should take into consideration, please append a statement to the application.

