Memorial Hospital of Bedford County Foundation Scholarships 2022

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The following awards are decided using this single application:

- Dr. Bert and Lucile Wiley Scholarship
- Mary Pearl Hunt Nursing Scholarship
- John "Jack" and Elizabeth Blackburn Scholarship
- William and Sherry Obert Scholarship
- Thomas E. Bailey Memorial Scholarship

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF BEDFORD COUNTY FOUNDATION HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIPS
Includes Dr. Bert and Lucile Wiley Scholarship, Mary Pearl Hunt Nursing Scholarship, John "Jack" and Elizabeth Blackburn Scholarship, and William and Sherry Obert Scholarship.

Purpose
Scholarships in the amount of $8,000 (maximum) annually for up to four (4) years will be awarded to selected applicant(s). The scholarships awarded are determined annually based on the projected employment needs of UPMC Bedford.

Qualifications
The following qualifications are necessary for scholarship consideration:
1. Resident of Bedford County (minimum one-year full-time residency)
2. Notification of acceptance into an actual health professions program of study. Pre-program (i.e. Pre Medicine, Pre Pharmacy, Pre Physical Therapy), undeclared, and division of undergraduate studies acceptance do not qualify. (Students may apply any year during their course of study.)
3. Verification of financial need.
4. Two (2) letters of recommendation from high school teacher, post-secondary faculty or employer. Current college or university students must submit at least one of the two (2) letters of recommendation from a college/university faculty member.

Award Selection
Applications will be accepted and reviewed by the Memorial Hospital of Bedford County Foundation Scholarship Committee.

Scholarship Guidelines
A maximum of $8,000 is provided annually for no more than four (4) years. The scholarship may only be used for tuition, books, supplies and/or uniforms. The student must present the hospital with a bill and written request for payment. The payment will be sent directly to the school and/or bookstore. The college or university is not permitted to reimburse the student funds from the MHBC Foundation Scholarship, if other grants, scholarships or loans have been utilized to cover the allowable costs. The monies must be returned to the MHBC Foundation.

The student must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and maintain continuous enrollment as a full-time student. The student is required to promptly submit a copy of his or her transcript to the Scholarship Committee following the completion of each semester. The Scholarship Committee will review the student’s academic progress annually. A leave of absence from the program for extenuating circumstances (major illness, death of immediate family) will be reviewed on an individual basis by the Scholarship Committee.

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The student must successfully complete any licensure or certification examination required for the specific health profession. Also, if selected as an employee of UPMC Bedford, he or she must serve creditably. The student agrees to return to work at UPMC Bedford for three (3) consecutive years following completion of the program.

If the recipient fails to complete the health professions program or does not fulfill the above-stated agreement to return for employment, the amount of scholarship funds used must be repaid to the hospital in full within 30 days of termination of the agreement. Should work at UPMC Bedford not be available, the repayment obligation is waived by the hospital.

**THE THOMAS E. BAILEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**Purpose**
The purpose of this scholarship is to honor the life of Thomas E. Bailey, especially his service to the greater Bedford community and to UPMC Bedford, where he served on its Board of Directors for more than thirty years. The scholarship will provide annual awards in perpetuity for the first year of study at a four-year college or university to graduating high school seniors from a high school in Bedford County who are planning a professional career in health care. The award is $4,000 to be used in the first year of study for room & board, fees, books, or tuition.

**Award Selection**
The recipient(s) will be selected by the scholarship committee at UPMC Bedford in collaboration with one of Mr. Bailey’s heirs, who will have a 30% vote in recipient selection.

Qualifications and criteria for award selection include:
1. Graduating senior enrolled at a high school in Bedford County;
2. Cumulative GPA of 3.2 or higher at time of the Committee’s application review, starting with junior year;
3. A documented record of significant community service within Bedford County;
4. High moral and ethical character, as demonstrated by activities, accomplishments, and recommendations;
5. A stated intention to attend a four-year college or university, beginning the following fall and to obtain a bachelor’s degree or higher degree in the field of human health care. The applicant may state one or several possible areas of study. The selection committee shall determine if all or any qualify as human health care areas of study;
6. A willingness to consider practicing a qualifying health care profession in Bedford County subsequent to college training;
7. There are no specific financial need requirements for this award. However, if the most deserving applicant’s first year college expenses (room & board, fees, books, tuition) can be paid in full from other scholarships, grants or awards, the award may be given to an applicant with a remaining financial need for the first year.

**Application Process**
The following information and documents must be submitted by March 31.

- Application Form
- Transcript of grades, Junior and Senior year
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from educators and/or those familiar with the applicant’s community service and/or personal character

Note: Members of the selection committee are not permitted to write letters of recommendation for applicants.

**Administration**

- Recipients and parents/guardians must execute a note of obligation requiring repayment of all scholarship funds to the Fund in the event that a student fails to graduate as required, either by switching to a field of study outside of human health care or by not making satisfactory progress toward graduation as determined by the institution’s graduation policy.

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- Before any funds from the award can be distributed, the recipient must provide documentation of college or university enrollment, class schedule, and major area of study.
- Distribution of funds will be made to the college or university directly or to a book store upon submission of a bill and request for payment, provided the student is in good standing at the time of the request.
- All funds must be used during the first year of study.
- The recipient must complete the first year of study in good standing, submitting documentation of student status (transcript) at the end of the first year. Failure to submit such documentation or failure to complete the first year of study in good standing may subject all funds distributed from the award to repayment.

All questions regarding this award should be directed to Sandy Boyd, Scholarship Coordinator at 814-623-3773.
UPMC Bedford Employee Scholarship

UPMC Bedford provides scholarship funding to full-time employees who are seeking to advance their healthcare careers and meet certain eligibility requirements. Funding for this program is provided by the Walter Allen, Jr. Fund.

Qualifications
The following qualifications are necessary for scholarship considerations:

1. Full time employee of UPMC Bedford for a minimum of two (2) years.
2. A solid and strong performer at UPMC Bedford with no written warnings in the last six (6) months.
3. Must provide notification of acceptance into the program of study.
4. Must provide a letter of recommendation from current UPMC Bedford manager/supervisor.

Award Selection
Applications will be accepted and reviewed by the Memorial Hospital of Bedford County Foundation Scholarship Committee.

Scholarship Guidelines
The award amount will be determined by program of study and employee need. The scholarship may only be used for tuition, books, supplies and/or uniforms. The student must present the hospital with a bill and written request for payment. The payment will be sent directly to the school and/or bookstore. The college or university is not permitted to reimburse, the student, funds from the MHBC Foundation Scholarship, if other grants, scholarships or loans have been utilized to cover the allowable costs. The monies must be returned to the MHBC Foundation.

The student must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and maintain continuous enrollment. The student is required to promptly submit a copy of his or her transcript to the Scholarship Committee following the completion of each semester. The Scholarship Committee will review the student's academic progress annually. A leave of absence from the program for extenuating circumstances (major illness, death of immediate family) will be reviewed on an individual basis by the Scholarship Committee.

The student must successfully complete any licensure or certification examination required for the specific health profession. The employee must serve UPMC Bedford creditably and agree to work at UPMC Bedford for three (3) consecutive years following completion of the program.

If the recipient fails to complete the health professions program or does not fulfill the above-stated agreement regarding employment, the amount of scholarship funds used must be repaid to the Foundation in full within 30 days of termination of the agreement.

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