

2018 Mt. Tabor Scholarship Selection Criteria and Process

1. Applicants must be active members in good standing at Mount Tabor Lutheran Church.
2. Applicants must be starting or continuing their post-secondary education. Students planning to attend community college or post-secondary vocational training programs are eligible to apply, as are students at traditional four-year colleges and universities, graduate school and other post-baccalaureate programs, and post-secondary schools outside of the United States.
3. An applicant's age is not a factor in the decision of the committee.
4. Individuals who have received the scholarship in the past may apply again; however, preference will be given to applicants who have not received this support in the past. Individuals who have applied in the past but have not received an award are encouraged to reapply.
5. The committee will not base its selection on the applicant's choice of studies. All are part of God's plan: a student planning to study Diesel mechanics or fashion merchandising is as deserving as a student planning to attend medical school or seminary.
6. Applicants who currently are students or who have been students within the past two years may submit either a full transcript or a copy of their most recent report card. Adult applicants who have been out of school for more than two years are exempt from this requirement.
7. The committee may consider the following in selecting awardees:
 - a. The applicant's cumulative grade point average as reported on his or her most recent transcript or report card.
 - b. Letters of recommendation submitted on behalf of the applicant.
 - c. The applicant's record of community service and involvement in community affairs.
 - d. The applicant's record of participation in the community life of Mount Tabor.
 - e. The applicant's motivation, enthusiasm, dedication and determination, decision-making skills, maturity, and awareness of God's presence in his/her life, as communicated in his or her submitted essay. Students should have a goal and a plan for reaching it.
 - f. The applicant's explanation of how his or her education will be used in furtherance of his or her service to the ministry of Jesus Christ, as expressed in the applicant's submitted essay.
 - g. The completeness of the application package and timeliness of the submittal. Applicants may be penalized for submitting their packages or any part of their package after deadline.