

WOLVERINE DENTAL HYGIENISTS' SOCIETY

Second-Year Dental Hygiene Student Scholarship Award Application Guidelines

The Wolverine Dental Hygienists' Society Scholarship Fund is available for providing financial assistance to African American dental hygiene students attending a professional school, college or institution in the Southeastern Michigan area (Wayne, Macomb, Washtenaw, Genesee and Oakland Counties).

WDHS recognizes the growing need for African American dental hygienists, so it is our goal to promote, encourage and support the dental hygiene profession in order that the healthcare needs in the respective communities are met.

This scholarship, in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), is awarded to a second-year student and is based on the criteria listed below. The number of scholarships awarded in a given year is dependent upon monetary availability.

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

To be considered for a scholarship each student applicant must meet the following requirements. A maximum of two points is assigned to areas 1, 3 and 4. Area 2 has a maximum of 3 points.

1. Financial Need

Submit the completed application to support the existence of financial need.

2. Grade Point Average

Submit an official transcript showing proof of maintaining a 2.5 grade point average or above (based on a 4.0 grade scale), after having completed at least two semesters in the dental hygiene program.

1 point is given for a 3.0 (and below) grade point average; 2 points is given for a grade point average of 3.1 – 3.5; and 3 points is given for a grade point of 3.6 and above.

3. Letters of Recommendation

Submit three letters of recommendation, including one from a faculty member. Please exclude family members.

4. Autobiographical Data

Submit an autobiographical statement that reflects the applicants' reasons for selecting dental hygiene as a profession. Please include any positive contributions made to the community, church, place of employment, school, etc.

Additional Requirements

1. Applications must be postmarked no later than **July 1** of the current year.
2. Obtain a WDHS Student membership. Include the \$5.00 student membership fee with this application.

The Wolverine Dental Hygienist Society Scholarship Committee shall accept the application for review when ALL of the following requirements are met:

1. The application is completed, dated and signed.
2. The application is postmarked no later than July 1 of the current year.
3. The required three letters of recommendation are received.
4. The official dental hygiene transcript of the first year is received.
5. *The WDHS student member application and fee is received.*

The Scholarship Committee shall:

1. Review all qualified applications.
2. Maintain confidentiality of all information.
3. Select the scholarship recipient(s) by August 1 of the current year.
4. On behalf of the scholarship recipient, issue the scholarship award to the school in which the awardee is enrolled, no later than September 15 of the current year.
5. Notify the WDHS general membership of the name(s) of the scholarship recipient(s).

The scholarship applicant shall:

1. Follow all guidelines as set forth in this document.

The scholarship recipient shall:

1. Use all scholarship funds for educational purposes only.
2. Agree to participate with the WDHS organization.

MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

WDHS
Second -Year Dental Hygiene Student
Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 32286
Detroit, Michigan 48232