



3-M FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- High School diploma or equivalency or in the final year of high school
- Currently pursuing or planning to pursue undergraduate or graduate studies, a certification program or job skills training at an accredited institution in the Fire Service, EMT or Paramedic field – you do not need to go to a 4-year university to be an applicant for this scholarship.
- Currently enrolled or planning to enroll as a full- or part-time student
- This application must be NEATLY handwritten in black ink or typed (illegible writing will not be considered)
- Recipient must be able to attend one 2026 3M Firefighters' Association Meeting for a presentation of the scholarship with the membership
- Recipient must be from a town that is serviced by a 3M Firefighters Association membership department (reach out to your local fire department to confirm their membership to 3M)

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Academic standing
- Statement of interest including personal, academic and career goals as well as involvement in extracurricular activities, including community and volunteer activities
- Two letters of recommendation; at least one from a member of the fire service.

Return completed application and required documents to: **Deadline is March 1, 2026**

3M Firefighter Association
c/o Debbie Christopher
4727 Route 16

Shipman, IL 62685



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2026 Application Form**

Application and required attachments must be postmarked by **March 1, 2026.
Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.**

Applicant's Name: _____
Last First Middle Initial

Mailing Address: _____
Street address/P.O. Box/Apt. #

City/ State/ Zip

E-mail Address: _____

Best Phone Number to Reach you: (_____) _____

Your Department Chief or Assistant Chief Name: _____

Chief or Assistant Chief's phone number: (_____) _____

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

College Attended/Attends: _____
Name City, State

High School Attended/Attends: _____
Name City, State

Highest Grade Level Completed: _____



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Type of Program for which you plan to enroll for the 2026-2027 academic year:

☐ Graduate ☐ Bachelor ☐ Associate ☐ Technical/Trade ☐ Certification

Planned Field of Study: _____

Anticipated Graduation Year: _____

INFORMATION ON THE INSTITUTION YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND:

(This institution must be an accredited facility with a fire science program)

Institution Name: _____

Address/City/State/Zip: _____

REQUIRED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS:

(Please attached all required documents with this application)

- An official transcript or letter from the school you are attending or most recently completed.
- Two letters of recommendation, one of which should come from a fire service member
- A 500-750 word essay including the following:
 - Why you deserve this scholarship
 - Your personal education and career goals
 - What the fire service means to you
 - A list of extracurricular, community or volunteer activities
 - Any other pertinent information you want the Scholarship Committee to consider