

Instructions for the  
EDWARD H. STAATS AND MARY STAATS  
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The deadline for applications for the Staats Memorial Scholarship is **April 1, 2020**.

Please note: Graduating high school seniors will be given first preference regarding scholarships and amounts; however, university or technical school undergraduate students in good standing may also apply.

### **High School Seniors**

The requirements for graduating high school seniors are as follows:

- Must be a graduating high school senior in good standing who has demonstrated good scholastic standards.
- Must be a member of Saint Stephens church who has been *active and faithful in its ministry*.
- Must meet the admission requirements and be accepted by the school of their choice before the award is finalized.

To apply for scholarship consideration, the student must:

- Submit a **completed printed Application by April 1, 2020**. (With typed Activities information as instructed on page 3 of the Application.) Applications are available in the church office.
- Complete the Scholarship Application Financial Information portion and submit a copy of your **FAFSA** (see a high school counselor if you need help with this requirement).
- Submit a **typed Personal Statement** indicating your goals and aspirations and what Saint Stephens has meant to you in your life (as per page 3 of the Application).
- Include a **transcript** of your high school credits and grades, along with a statement from your school containing your grade point average and class rank. (See your high school counselor.)
- Submit **typewritten letters of recommendation** from **ALL** of these:
  1. Your high school principal.
  2. One high school teacher.
  3. One member of the community (not a relative).

### **Undergraduates**

The requirements for university or technical school undergraduates are as follows:

- Must be a student in good standing at their school who has demonstrated good scholastic standards.
- Must be a member of Saint Stephens church who has been *active and faithful in its ministry*.

To apply for scholarship consideration, the student must:

- Submit a **new completed printed Application by April 1, 2020**. (With typed Activities information as instructed on page 3 of the Application.) (Photocopies of previous Applications are NOT acceptable.) Applications are available in the church office.
- Complete the Scholarship Application Financial Information portion and submit a copy of your **FAFSA**.
- Submit a **typed Personal Statement** of your continuing faith experiences beyond Saint Stephens (as per page 3 of the Application).
- Include a **transcript** of your undergraduate credits, grades, and overall standings.
- Submit a current (i.e., new) **typewritten letter of recommendation** from a teacher/professor/advisor at your current school.

**NOTE: We want to know how you are doing and what you are doing since high school.**

**ALL SCHOLARSHIP DECISIONS AND AMOUNTS ARE MADE ENTIRELY AND SOLELY  
BY THE STAATS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP TRUSTEES.**

Application for the  
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MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

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**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ANSWERS MUST BE PRINTED**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Last*

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street City State Zip*

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Home Cell*

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I have been a member of Saint Stephens since: \_\_\_\_\_

**CURRENT EDUCATIONAL STATUS**

*Please Check One*

- Graduating High School Senior  
 Currently Enrolled in College or Technical School

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**High School Seniors:** List institutions you wish to attend in order of preference. Include location (city, state).

First Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

List career fields you are considering.

First Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

**Undergraduates:** List the institution you currently attend and plan to attend next year. Include location (city, state).

Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Plan to Attend Next Year: \_\_\_\_\_

List career fields you are considering/actively pursuing.

First Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

## ACTIVITIES

On a separate sheet of paper, type your full name in the upper right corner. Then type the following headings and instructions. Type your answers below each heading. Attach that to this Application.

### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Please comment on the activities you have been involved in at your school (high school activities for high school seniors and college activities for undergraduates).

### CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Please comment on the activities you have participated in through your church ... with the emphasis being on Saint Stephens for high school seniors and the emphasis for undergraduates focusing on the church you are currently attending and actively involved with if that is different than Saint Stephens.

### COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Please comment on your community activities and involvement, both in your home community (for high school seniors and undergraduates) and the community you live in while you attend school (for undergraduates).

### PERSONAL STATEMENT

On another separate sheet of paper, type your full name in the upper right corner (in case it becomes separated from the rest of your Application.) Then type your Personal Statement as outlined below:

For High School Seniors ... your Personal Statement should indicate your goals and aspirations and what Saint Stephens has meant to you in your life.

For Undergraduates ... your Personal Statement should share your continuing faith experiences beyond Saint Stephens. We want to know how your faith has changed or grown and what part faith plays in your life at this time in your faith journey.

### OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS

I am applying for other scholarships.  Yes  No

I have been awarded the following scholarships:

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### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

I estimate the cost for one year of the college or technical school I wish to attend (including tuition, books, room and board) to be:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Of these annual costs, I expect my parents to contribute:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Of these annual costs, I will personally be able to contribute:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

If employment is available, I intend to seek part-time summer employment.

Yes  No

If employment is available, I intend to seek part-time work while in school.

Yes  No

To the best of my knowledge, the above disclosures are true.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

**DON'T FORGET! ALL OF THE FOLLOWING MUST BE INCLUDED WITH THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION:**

**High School Seniors:**

- A copy of your **FAFSA form**.
- A **typed Personal Statement** sharing your goals and aspirations and what Saint Stephens has meant to you in your life (as per page 3 of this Application).
- A **typed Activities** page (as per page 3 of this Application).
- A **transcript** of your high school credits and grades, along with a statement from your school containing your grade point average and class rank. (See your high school counselor.)
- A **letter of recommendation** from your high school principal.
- A **letter of recommendation** from one high school teacher.
- A **letter of recommendation** from one member of the community (not a relative).

**Undergraduates:**

- A copy of your **FAFSA form**.
- A **typed Personal Statement** sharing your goals and aspirations and of your continuing faith experiences beyond Saint Stephens (as per page 3 of this Application).
- A **typed Activities** page (as per page 3 of this Application).
- A **transcript** of your undergraduate credits, grades, and overall standings.
- A **current typed letter of recommendation** from one teacher/professor/advisor at your school.