

About the Scholarship

The Cornerstone Scholarship was started in 2018 as an outreach program intended to positively impact the lives of graduating high school students in our church area. The money we raise and distribute is intended to further the education of students who demonstrate the work ethic, desire and perseverance necessary to be successful in their chosen area of continuing education at college or a technical school.

Scholarships are made available to eligible high school graduates from the Mabank, Kemp, Eustace and Malakoff school districts.

Sufficient funds were raised to allow us to grant four(4) \$2,000 scholarships to area graduates in 2019, 2020, and 2021. The Cornerstone Scholarship is another example of the many outreach programs of FUMC Mabank—demonstrating the church's mission statement: *"..Sharing with our neighbors God's hope and love."*

Each year, we need to replenish our fund. We sincerely hope that you'll decide to participate in this wonderful program through your monetary gift.

FAQs

Q: How Can I help?

A: You can make a designated gift to the scholarship fund. Consider a gift to the fund in lieu of flowers when making honorariums or memorials. If you are interested in this program, or have questions, feel free to talk with any of the members of the scholarship committee (listed on back page).

Q: How is the fund managed?

A: The scholarship fund has a formal set of bylaws and a working board of directors who see to the administration of the fund.

Q: Are donations to the fund tax deductible?

A: Yes. They are donations to the church and accounted as restricted funds in the FUMC Mabank general account as "scholarship funds."

Scholarship Application and Selection Process

The criteria for the scholarship applicants are as follows:
(1) a current year graduate from one of the 4 area schools , (2) have a 2.5 (out of 4) GPA for the past 2 years, and (3) accepted at an accredited college or technical school.

The 4 -page application is sent to the 4 area schools by February 1 and must be completed and returned to FUMC Mabank by March 15.

The application questions cover areas such as the student's financial need, academic awards, extracurricular/community service, employment, future goals, and references.

The applications are reviewed by the committee and evaluated/ ranked based on the answers given to the questions.

2019 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:

Andrew Rogers—Mabank graduate
Hannah Lindsay—Mabank graduate
Madison Wilbanks—Malakoff graduate
Reece Thorne—Eustace graduate

2020 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:

Jayda Simon—Kemp graduate
James Blaylock, Jr.—Eustace graduate
Ashley Lopez—Malakoff graduate
Emily Richardson—Mabank graduate

2021 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:

Tatum Pugh— Malakoff graduate
Georgia Utz— Eustace graduate
Tenley Orsak— Mabank graduate
Halle Partridge —Mabank graduate



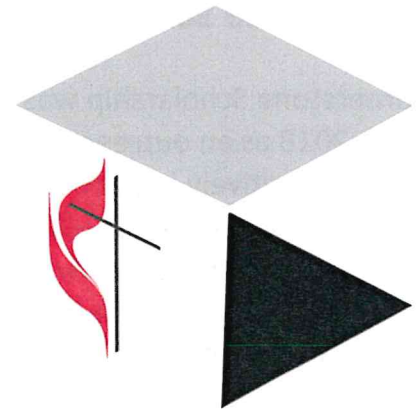
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“Give instruction to the wise and they will become wiser still; teach the righteous and they will gain in learning.” Proverbs 9:9