First United Methodist Church Scholarship

Guidelines for the 2021-2022 Academic Year

1. Minimum Eligibility Requirements:
   1. Commitment to Christ and living out the Gospel in daily life.
   2. Completed application submitted by July 1, 2021.
   3. Transcripts are due by July 1, 2021 (**NOTE:** this means submitted to the church office by that date, not ordered on July 1; make sure you arrange for this several days in advance). Those who miss the deadline are limited to a maximum scholarship of $1000.
   4. Maintain at least a 2.5 grade point average or equivalent. Transcripts or grade reports must be submitted by July 1. Please plan to arrange for these in advance.
   5. Connected to FUMC in one of three ways:
      1. Confirmed members of FUMC Honolulu, who are eligible to begin at the $1000 entry level, if all other requirements are met.
      2. Regular non-member attendees of FUMC Honolulu (at least twice a month when on Oahu), who are eligible to begin at the $500 entry level, if all other requirements are met.
      3. Applicants who have attended FUMC on average at least once a quarter during the previous twelve months prior to the deadline, and whose parent or grandparent is a member of FUMC Honolulu, who are eligible to begin at the $250 entry level, if all other requirements are met.
2. Attendance bonus ($500): for those who attend an FUMC Honolulu worship service at least twice a month when on Oahu, as confirmed by registering attendance on the attendance pad and by the pastors or staff.
3. Academic bonus ($500): at least a 3.5 grade point average or equivalent based on submission of transcripts or grade reports (the latter high school only).
4. Service Bonus, in one of two ways:
   1. 10 hours or more of service to FUMCʻs ministry, such as serving at Pancakes and Praise, helping at worship (greeter or usher, tech, etc.), participation in the choir or band (includes rehearsal), helping in the office, teaching Sunday School, VBS, Fun Fest at First (formerly Party By the Park), etc. ($500).
   2. 25 hours or more of service to FUMCʻs ministry ($1000).
5. Optional bonus (up to $1000): at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee, an additional amount may be awarded to exemplary applicants who demonstrate outstanding faith, service, academics, or other achievements beyond the call. Examples include: those who give a moving faith testimony or sermon at church or at a Hawaii District event; those recognized as salutatorians or valedictorians by their school; those who have rendered unusually faithful service to FUMC; those who are attending a University Senate approved seminary or school of theology.