**Alfred and Cora Camp Memorial Scholarship**

**Application Guidelines**

In 2024 the Georgia Council of the Blind (GCB) will award several scholarships of up to one thousand dollars to students who are legally blind, or to sighted students who are financially dependent on legally blind parent(s). Applicants must be accepted in one of the following levels of post-secondary education:

(a) Vocational/technical school;

(b) College or University;

(c) Master’s or Doctoral program at an accredited university.

**Guidelines for Eligibility**

1. Scholarships are for one school year.
2. Legal blindness of applicant or parent(s) must be certified by an ophthalmologist or qualified professional in the field of blindness. (Legal blindness is defined as visual acuity of less than 20/200 in the better eye with correction, or field restriction to 20 degrees or less in the better eye with correction.)
3. Applicants must be legal residents of the State of Georgia.
4. Applying for a scholarship is open to students in all fields of study.
5. The application and all supporting documents **must be typewritten**.
6. Applications must be submitted no later than March 15, 2024.
7. All documents should be submitted by the applicant, not by someone else on his or her behalf. The application and supporting documents must be sent by email. The application must be accompanied by:

(a) Applicant’s most recent transcripts;

(b) Certification of legal blindness of applicant or parent(s);

(c) Two letters of recommendation, one of which must be from a teacher or other education professional acquainted with the applicant’s educational potential and personal character;

 (d) A minimum one-page description of extracurricular activities in which the applicant is involved, including community organizations or clubs;

(e) A Minimum one-page statement by the applicant, to include his or her educational goals and how the applicant sees himself or herself advocating as part of the blind and visually impaired community in the future;

(f) The application and supporting documents must be sent as attached Word files. Transcripts and certification of legal blindness may be sent as PDF attachments.

1. Applicants will be contacted by the scholarship committee and interviewed by phone in March 2024.
2. Scholarship awardees will be announced at a Georgia Council of the Blind board meeting or at the organization’s Conference and Convention in spring, 2024, and recipients are encouraged to attend.
3. The scholarship money will be paid to each recipient in one lump sum.
4. A member of the committee will contact each awardee periodically throughout the school year to discuss the student’s progress in achieving his or her goals and how the scholarship funds are being spent.
5. Each recipient is expected to write an article for *The GCB Digest* on his or her progress as a student and how the scholarship funds are helping in achieving his or her goals. Failure to submit an article will result in the recipient being ineligible to apply for GCB scholarships in the future.
6. Applicants and recipients may reapply for a GCB scholarship annually. When re-applying, all supporting documents must be current.

**This application and all supporting documents must be sent by email before March 15, 2024, to: Marj Schneider, Scholarship Committee Chair. Email Address:** **marjschneider@bellsouth.net**

All information provided by applicants will be kept confidential.

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**Application Form**

**This form must be typewritten.**

Name:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Phone: Alternate Phone:

E-mail:

Date of Birth:

Last High School Attended and its Location:

Date of High School Graduation or GED Equivalence:

Post-Secondary Schools Previously Attended:

Dates Attended:

Type of Post-Secondary Program and Name of School where applicant has been accepted or is currently enrolled:

Name (s) of Parent (s):

Address (if different from that of applicant):

City: State: Zip:

Other scholarships applied for or awarded:

Whether applicant is receiving support from the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency, yes or no:

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