



# FOUR CHAPLAINS MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

Dr. Fred K. Honigman

National Student Scholarship Program

Application Guidelines 2020-2021



**INTRODUCTION:** The Four Chaplains Memorial Foundation exists to further the cause of “Selfless Service” and “Unity without Uniformity” by encouraging goodwill and cooperation among all people. The foundation has sponsored the National Student Scholarship Competition for students in grades 5th–12th since the 1950s. The essay is designed to challenge young people to understand the values of interfaith cooperation and selfless service modeled by the Four Chaplains and Charles W. David, Jr. The contest provides a forum for young people to express their views on the benefits of working together in a diverse world. In 2017 the award was named after a former board member Dr. Fred K. Honigman who was an integral part in promoting the National Student Scholarship Competition. Beginning this year, we are partnering with Legacy Bridges STEM Academy, Inc., The Rosie the Riveter Movement - Thanks! Plain and Simple and the Marian Anderson Historical Society and Museum, in offering you the opportunity to complete an essay and compete for a scholarship.

## GUIDELINES:

**Applicants:** Please note there are two pieces to the application package. The application and the essay guidelines. Please complete the application in its entirety. Applications not completed and submitted properly and by the deadline will be disqualified. Use your creativity to express what “Service to Others” means to you based upon the information provided below.

Your submittal should be able to explain the following:

### What does Selfless Service look like in 2020?

1. During the year in which the COVID-19 pandemic spread across America and we were the witness to social unrest on a large scale how is the term “selfless service to others” relevant in relation to you, our country and the Four Chaplains? (Give personal examples)
2. How does “selfless service” play a role in your everyday life and future goals?
3. Do you feel that the Four Chaplains displayed this ideal during the sinking of the U.S.A.T. Dorchester and the ultimate sacrifice that they gave?
4. Give some examples of how “selfless service to others” helps our communities and our country to be a better place. (Use examples of how people responded to the COVID-19 pandemic or other events in 2020)
5. **Contest Starts on Labor Day, September 7** to correspond with the national “Ring of the Bells” to honor former “Rosie the Riveters” who served during WWII. It is in the spirit of the “Rosies” that we hope you approach this essay. When women entered the workforce to help build ships and airplanes to support the war effort it changed our nation. How can acts of selfless service and interfaith cooperation make the world a better place to live? The winners will be announced on our website and Facebook page **by February 3, 2021**.
6. The number of yearly scholarships and the individual amounts vary each year based on funding. If you are a prior scholarship winner, you can only enter in the next eligible age category. All participants will receive a “Certificate of Recognition” and a letter of acknowledgement for entering the contest. Good Luck and we are looking forward to reading your essays!

## AWARDS:

The 2020-2021 Awards total up to \$5000 will be distributed as follows in the form of a check in the amount indicated:

<b><u>12th graders:</u></b>	First – \$1,000	Second – \$750	Third – \$500
<b><u>9th–11th graders:</u></b>	First – \$750	Second – \$500	Third – \$250
<b><u>5th–8th graders:</u></b>	First – \$500	Second – \$250	Third – \$150

## ESSAY:

All essays must be original and not plagiarized. **All entries must be typed, in a WORD document (Not PDF), double-spaced, one-inch margins on each side, 500 words or less, 12pt black Arial font.** Submissions will be judged on imagination, grammar, spelling, presentation, and relevance to the questions. Date both the entry form and cover page. The cover page should contain the title of your essay, student's full name, complete address with zip, phone number and email address. (Feel free to retype the entry form and cover page) Finally, **you must indicate the specific word count for your essay.**

**Each entry application must contain the student's full name, complete address with zip code, phone number, and email address.** Each entry application must also contain the name of the school principal, guidance counselor or teacher, along with school name, complete address with zip code, telephone number with area code, fax number with area code and school email address. If you are home schooled, then the name of a parent can be substituted for the principal/counselor/teacher.

## DEADLINE:

The application must be completed in its entirety along with the supporting materials and **emailed by January 4, 2021,** to the Four Chaplains Memorial Foundation:

**Subject Line: National Student Scholarship Program 2020-21**

**Email: [chapel@fourchaplains.org](mailto:chapel@fourchaplains.org)**

**Please submit your application and supporting materials via email. Deadline: 10:00pm EST on January 4, 2021. No late entries will be accepted regardless of the situation.** An email will be sent back indicating receipt. No hard copies will be required unless requested.

The selection committee will review all applications for completeness. A distinguished panel of board members and volunteers will select the three scholarship recipients in each grade category.

For more information on the organization, please visit our **website at [www.fourchaplains.org](http://www.fourchaplains.org)** or join us on Facebook.

Thank you for accepting the challenge and we are looking forward to reading your essay! If you have any **questions please contact us at: 215-218-1943 or [chapel@fourchaplains.org](mailto:chapel@fourchaplains.org).**



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## 2020-2021 SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION APPLICATION

**DUE DATE: January 4, 2021**

(Please Print or Type Application)

### Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### School Information

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School Contact Person/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

School Contact Person Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Acknowledgement

\*I have personally prepared this application/essay and certify that the information is accurate.

(You can either e-sign, sign page and scan document or type in your name if you rewrite this page)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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### FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff: \_\_\_\_\_



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## CHECKLIST FOR STUDENTS

1. \_\_\_\_ Completed the Application Sheet (Printed or Typed)
2. \_\_\_\_ Completed a Cover Page
3. \_\_\_\_ Completed the Essay
  - a. \_\_\_\_ Typed in a WORD Document
  - b. \_\_\_\_ 12 Point – Black ink – Arial Font
  - c. \_\_\_\_ 500 words or less
  - d. \_\_\_\_ 1” page margins
  - e. \_\_\_\_ Double spaced
4. \_\_\_\_ Essay answers the Three Main Questions:
  - a. How is the term “selfless service to others” relevant in relation to you, our country, and the Four Chaplains? (Give personal examples)
  - b. How does “selfless service” play a role in your everyday life and future goals?
  - c. Do you feel that the Four Chaplains displayed this ideal during the sinking of the U.S.A.T. Dorchester and the ultimate sacrifice that they gave?
5. \_\_\_\_ Submitted by Deadline: January 4, 2021 by 10:00 PM EST
6. \_\_\_\_ Emailed the Application and Essay to: [chapel@fourchaplains.org](mailto:chapel@fourchaplains.org)

If you have any questions, please contact Michelle at:

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