**Perseverance Scholarship Instructions**

The Perseverance Scholarships are awarded to members of West Granville Presbyterian Church for educational or other professional/personal growth and development. When Perseverance Presbyterian Church merged with West Granville in 2005, Perseverance designated money from the transition for annual scholarship awards. The amount of the scholarship award changes from year to year, depending upon earnings from the invested endowment.

So that we can share the award proceeds with all eligible applicants who are pursuing relevant goals, please do not re-apply if you previously have received a Perseverance Scholarship award.

***Qualifications and Application***

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* Be a member of West Granville Presbyterian Church who plans to attend an educational, professional or other personal growth/development program in the next year, and who has not previously received a Perseverance Scholarship award.
* Complete an application (go to [www.westgranville.org](http://www.westgranville.org) to download, or ask for a paper copy in the church office). Be sure to use the 2020 version of the application and instructions.
	+ For your application to be considered, you must complete all sections of the application.
	+ We encourage you to carefully proofread your application and/or have another person review it to be sure that:
		- Spelling and punctuation are correct.
		- Sentences are complete.
		- All questions are clearly and completely answered.
* Submit completed application and two (2) original letters of recommendation to the church secretary by noon on March 1st.
* **Your two recommendation letters must meet all of the following requirements:**
	+ Be addressed to the Perseverance Scholarship Committee.
	+ Be from adults who are not family members (and not Pastor Dee). At least one must be from an education, employment or service relationship. The other may be from a church member or family friend. Both cannot be from people at West Granville.
	+ Not be recycled from another use, such as a different scholarship, internship or employment.

NOTE: Applications will not be considered without two original letters of recommendation.

* Please consider submitting your application and reference letters early, so the church secretary has time to verify that all documents are received before the deadline on March 1st at noon.
* Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

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