

SAMANISKY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 2025 INFORMATION SHEET

The Samanisky Memorial Scholarships are awarded each year to eligible members of St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral. The scholarship is in the amount of \$1,000 and is awarded in September. The number of scholarships awarded each year vary depending on the amount available in the scholarship fund, this year one scholarship will be awarded. Selection of the winners is made by educators not associated with the Cathedral. The applications are evaluated on the basis of Service to the Church; Character and Leadership; and Academic Achievement as defined below.

SERVICE TO THE CHURCH is defined as any type of stewardship performed for the church, such as participation in activities and organizations and volunteering services for the betterment of St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral, it's members, it's community and the Orthodox Church in America.

CHARACTER AND LEADERSHIP qualities include good character, good citizenship, and leadership potential that may have been demonstrated in the classroom, in extra-curricular activities, at work, in the church and in the community.

SCHOLARSHIP OR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT shall be defined and an applicant's having achieved scores or grades in school and on standardized tests which show promise of success in accredited school. In the case of graduate students, one recommendation from a person who has worked with the applicant in his/her field of study will suffice.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. The applicant must be entering or currently enrolled in a post-secondary program.
2. He or she must have been accepted for enrollment as a full-time student in an institution of higher learning such as an accredited college, university, community college, business college, industrial, technical, trade or medical school, or an Orthodox Seminary.
3. The candidate must be a member or the child of a member of St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral of Minneapolis as of the deadline for the application.
4. Eligible non-previous recipients will always be given priority to receive the scholarship. If only previous recipients apply, then the Committee may choose a recipient out of eligible applicants.
5. Applications, transcripts and recommendations must be mailed to the address below **postmarked by Monday, June 30, 2025.**
6. All materials should be sent to:

Alexa Collodora
9168 Guadalcanal Court
Blaine, MN 55449

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APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP

Part 1 -To be completed by all applicants

1. Name _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

2. Home Address _____

3. City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

4. Telephone Number _____ Sex _____

5. Date of Birth _____

6. Are you a member of St. Mary's Cathedral? _____

7. Parent's Name _____

8. Indicate your participation in church activities:

Church School Student _____ Church Camp _____

Sr. Choir _____ Youth Choir _____ Reader _____

Sr. "O" Club _____ Jr. "O" Club (Saints) _____

Altar Server/Communion Assistant _____

9. Have you any outstanding achievements or have you abilities or talents in any particular fields? (For instance, ham radio operator, winner of spelling contest, etc.)

10. Write a personal letter, including a short autobiography, giving any additional information which will enable the judges to better evaluate your personal qualifications as a scholarship applicant. State what you want from post secondary education and what you hope to contribute to society and a general statement of your philosophy of life.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Part 2 -To be completed by current high school students

1. Name of high school _____
2. List our nonacademic activities, any leadership positions you have held, and any honors you have received:
(Examples: Student Council, Class Officer, Band, Orchestra, Boy Scouts, Club Memberships, etc.).

Tenth Grade

Eleventh Grade

Twelfth Grade

3. What post-secondary school/program do you plan to attend? _____

Have you applied for admission? _____

Have you been accepted? _____

4. Please attach an official transcript of your High School Grades with results of college testing scores such as PSAT, ACT, or SAT tests.

Part 3 - To be completed by current post-secondary and graduate students

1. Name of post-secondary school_____

What is your major field of study?_____

If you are not currently enrolled in a post-secondary institution, what school do you plan to attend?

Have you applied for admission?_____ Have you been accepted?_____

2. List any nonacademic activities, leadership positions you have held, and any honors you have received:

4. If you are currently enrolled in a post-secondary program, please attach an official transcript of your grades.

If you are not currently enrolled in a postsecondary program, please attach one recommendation from a person who has worked with you in your field of study.