

**VILLAGE OF CRAINVILLE
JAMES B. CHILDRESS
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Background: This \$1,500.00 annual scholarship is established in memory of James B. Childress. The scholarship was created through a generous gift from his estate to the Village of Crainville, Illinois.

Award: A committee designated by the President of the Village will determine the recipient of the annual \$1,500.00 award. Committee members will examine the applicant's general eligibility, past academic performance, likelihood of success in college, personal statement, and financial need. The award recipient will be chosen by May 1 of each calendar year.

Application Deadline: Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on April 1 of each calendar year.
(Late applications will not be accepted.)

Eligibility: Students are eligible to apply for this scholarship if they meet all of the requirements below:

1. Must be a Crainville resident.
2. Are planning to attend an accredited two or four-year college or university during the next academic year.
3. Have a demonstrated financial need.
4. Complete the application materials fully and submit them by the deadline.

Application Instructions:

1. Secure a letter of recommendation from a teacher, advisor, guidance counselor, or other school official who can speak of your academic credentials. The letter should be sent directly from the recommender to the address below. *(It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the letter is received by the application deadline noted above.)*

2. Provide copies of acceptance letters from each college you may attend, *or*, proof of continuing enrollment status at the institution currently being attended, such as a future semester schedule or verification letter from a college official.

3. Provide a personal statement describing educational and career goals and financial need. *(See the instructions on the attached application.)*

4. Provide a current high school transcript for new college freshmen applicants, *or*, current college transcripts for continuing college applicants.

(Applications without letters of recommendation, personal statements, transcripts, and proof of acceptance or continuing enrollment will not be considered.)

5. Legibly complete the attached application and mail or drop off by the deadline to the following address:

Village of Crainville
Attn: Village President
P.O. Box 105
Carterville, IL 62918

VILLAGE OF CRAINVILLE JAMES B. CHILDRESS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____
First Middle Last

Address _____
Street, R.R., P.O. Box, or Apt. No.

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Term of entry (or re-entry) into college _____

Accepting or currently attending college(s) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

PERSONAL STATEMENT: On separate pages, write a brief description of your academic goals and career aspirations. Also discuss your financial need for this scholarship. Keep your response clear and concise, using proper spelling and grammar. Your statement should be signed and dated. Please keep your response to no more than three typed, double-spaced pages.