

**WISE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
**CHERYL RICHARDSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
**2023 GUIDELINES**

The scholarship will be awarded to a resident of Wise County or the City of Norton who is a senior student graduating from a high school located in Wise County or the City of Norton.

**Amount:** \$250.00

**Eligibility:**

Any senior student who will be graduating from a Wise County/City of Norton high school and who is applying to either The University of Virginia's College at Wise or Mountain Empire Community College as a full-time student is eligible. Applicant must also be a resident of Wise County or the City of Norton.

**Applications:**

All applications must be filed with the office of the Wise County Chamber of Commerce by April 28, 2023. The winner will be selected by May 12, 2023.

**Guidelines for Award:**

1. The award shall not be limited to students with financial need.
2. The applicant must present a transcript of grades and test scores reflecting a grade point average of at least 3.3 or an ACT score of at least 19 or a combined score of at least 950 on the SAT.
3. The applicant must, in an essay of no more than two type-written pages, present evidence of activities contributing to school/community service and leadership.
4. One recommendation will be required from a teacher or school employee who is in a position to evaluate character, service, and potential for success.

**Date of Award:**

Upon proof of full-time enrollment at either The University of Virginia's College at Wise or Mountain Empire Community College, one-half of the award will be made by check directly to the institution. Under the same guidelines, the remaining half of the award will be made upon proof of enrollment for the second semester.

**Scholarship Administration:** With regard to all aspects of the scholarship, the decision of the Wise County Chamber of Commerce Education/Scholarship Committee shall be final.

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CHERYL RICHARDSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP  
2023-2024 APPLICATION**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Name of Parents or Guardians: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Number in Class: \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Score (combined score): \_\_\_\_\_ or ACT Score: \_\_\_\_\_

College you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

School/Community Leadership and Service Activities (Please enumerate and explain in an essay of no more than two type-written pages.)

Recommendation (One recommendation from a teacher or school employee who is in a position to evaluate character, service, and leadership must accompany the application.)

A transcript of grades and test scores is required.

Please forward, by April 28, 2023, completed application and supporting documents to:

Wise County Virginia Chamber of Commerce  
765 Park Avenue S.W.  
P.O. Box 226  
Norton, VA 24273

By signing below, I certify that all information submitted and provided in regard to myself or my child's eligibility for the Wise County Chamber of Commerce Cheryl Richardson Memorial Scholarship is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that should any information be found to be false or incorrect, the application will become null and void and the applicant will be disqualified.

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Parent's or Guardian's Signature

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Applicant's Signature (if 18 or older)

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Date