



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Bill Pace Cogdell scholarship (BPCS) pays for in-state tuition, fees, and books for students at Midland College during the fall and spring semesters. The scholarship can continue until the awardee graduates with a certificate, associate's degree, and/or bachelor's degree. The scholarship continues as long as the student is enrolled and meets scholarship guidelines. If the student transfers to the University of Texas of the Permian Basin (UTPB) immediately after attending Midland College, he/she will be eligible to continue receiving the BPCS.

To be Eligible, You Must:

1. participate in Cogdell Learning Center services or resources prior to applying. This could be participating in GED, English as a Second Language (ESL), or other classes. It could also be Apply Texas, FAFSA/TASFA or other college services. It could also be attending Cogdell workshops or participating in services provided by the Business and Economic Development Center.
2. need financial assistance to begin or continue your education. Financial need is determined by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or Texas Application for State Financial Aid (TASFA).
3. complete an application and provide all information requested
4. attend, or plan to attend, Midland College
5. be enrolled, or plan to enroll, in at least 6 hours or more of college coursework (developmental and/or credit-bearing)

Applicant Preferences:

1. possess a high school diploma or GED certificate
2. If applicant is currently attending Midland College, student must:
 - a. be meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards.
 - b. not have more than 93 hours attempted at Midland College
 - c. not be on federal financial aid suspension from Midland College.

Scholarship Selection Committee Considers Each Applicant's:

1. personal history, career goals, and likelihood to persist and succeed in college
2. parents' level of education
3. steps taken to plan college attendance
4. financial need

If you have questions, please contact Josie Samaguey at jsamaguey@midland.edu or 686-4903.

Submit application and all supporting documents in person.

Only completed applications will be accepted.

Deadline to submit application is Thursday June 29, 2023 by 5:00 p.m..

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Date Received: _____

Time Received: _____

Received By: _____

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- ☐ Application Completed and Signed ☐ Essay attached
☐ Letters of recommendation attached ☐ Official Transcript or
GED scores attached ☐ Meningitis vaccine proof/signature if
Applicable ☐ FAFSA SAR proof attached / TASFA hardcopy IRS
Transcript ☐ TSI Scores attached ☐ TSI Waived ☐ Fall 2023 Schedule

Name: _____ Student ID# _____ Gender: M F

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address (required): _____

Cell phone: (____) _____ Home (____) _____ Work(____) _____

Date of Birth: _____ Marital Status: _____

Name and phone number of 2 close friends or relatives not living with you

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Spouse's Name (if married) _____

Spouse's Occupation _____

Number of Dependents _____ List ages of Dependents _____

Father's Occupation _____

Mother's Occupation _____

Your Father's Highest Educational Achievement:

Grade School _____ High School _____ Certificate or Associates _____ Bachelors or Above _____

Your Mother's Highest Educational Achievement:

Grade School _____ High School _____ Certificate or Associates _____ Bachelors or Above _____

Date of your high school graduation or GED completion _____

Level of education you intend to complete: Certificate _____ Associates _____ Bachelors or Above _____

What is your selected college major or career objective? _____

Do you plan to attend college: part-time _____ full-time _____ don't know _____

If you will be employed while going to college, please list your place of employment and the number of hours per week you plan to work.

Student Name _____

To Complete This Application, you must submit the following:

1. Application Form - pages 2-4 of this document; be sure to sign page 4
2. 1-2-page essay - see instructions on page 4
3. 2 letters of recommendation from a non-relative - see page 4
4. Official Transcript
5. Proof that the FAFSA, or TASFA, was completed:
 - a) for FAFSA, copy of 2023-2024 Student Aid Report (obtained after you complete FAFSA)
 - b) for TASFA – provide copy of 2021 IRS Tax Return Transcript. This can be obtained online at www.irs.gov or by calling 1-800-829-1040 or try the local IRS Office by calling 432.686.9977.

1) Short Responses:

In order for the Bill Pace Cogdell Scholarship Committee to better assess your qualifications for the scholarship, please respond to the following (if necessary, please attach an additional sheet of paper).

Have you participated in any programs, workshops, or services through the Midland College Cogdell Learning Center at 201 W. Florida? (Please specify; for example: GED, ESL classes, computer lab, classes, FAFSA assistance, college planning, career guidance, workshops, BEDC - financial advising, etc.)

List any community, volunteer, or extra-curricular activities you have participated in during the past 3 years.

Student Name_____

List any honors, awards or recognitions you have received.

2) Essay:

Please attach a 1-2-page essay in MLA format and answer the following questions:

- 1) Why do you want to go to college? What are your educational and career goals?
- 2) What are your family and employment responsibilities? How will you fit college in with your other responsibilities?
- 3) Why are you a good candidate for the scholarship? (Please provide details about your academic ability, perseverance, dependability, interest in learning, personal goals, financial need, etc.)

Note: If you need access to a computer or printer, you may use the computer lab at the Cogdell Learning Center

3) Letter of Recommendation:

Please ask someone you know (not a relative) to write a letter of recommendation for this scholarship application. Midland College employees who work at the Cogdell Learning Center are eligible to write letters of recommendation, except the Outreach & Bill Pace Cogdell Scholarship Coordinator and Director of Community Services. Ideally, this person has known you as a student, employee, or volunteer and can identify the qualities and traits that make you a good candidate for this scholarship. **Do not wait until the last minute to request this letter.**

Note: Please make sure essay and letters of recommendation are signed and dated.

*******CERTIFICATION*******

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained on this form is correct and complete. I agree that the scholarship committee has my permission to verify any and all information. I also agree to release copies of my tax return or any other information to the committee upon request. I understand that any fraud will be reported to the appropriate authorities.

Applicant's Signature

Date