



## Mechanicsburg Club/Wildcat Foundation Scholarship

Established in 1998, the Wildcat Foundation's mission is *to strengthen the educational, cultural, wellness, and athletic programs of the Mechanicsburg Area School District*. The District includes the Boroughs of Mechanicsburg and Shiremanstown, and Upper Allen Township. MASD consists of a Kindergarten Academy, four elementary buildings, a 4-5 center at Elmwood Academy, a middle school, and a senior high school. The District boasts a student enrollment in excess of 4,500.

With generous investments from the Mechanicsburg Club, The Wildcat Foundation established the scholarship fund for MASH seniors. Recipients may use these funds for tuition payment to any accredited educational institution (two or four-year College or university, or a vocational or technical school). We invite **all** seniors furthering their education in any course of study, and in any academic or technical/trade school, to apply for the **Mechanicsburg Club/Wildcat Foundation Scholarship**.

Wildcat Foundation volunteers evaluate and award scholarships based on the following criteria:

1. **Essay**, explaining why the applicant is applying for this scholarship, including a description of academic interests, career focus and financial need (do not exceed 500 words).
1. **Community Volunteer Service** (*distinct* from volunteering with and participation in school groups or clubs).
2. **Academic performance** as reflected in the high school transcript.

Pending statements from the Foundation's investment services, we hope to award four (4) \$4,000 scholarships. Each recipient must provide the Foundation with a copy of their letter of acceptance, as evidence of educational plans for the fall. The Foundation will then make a one-time check disbursement, payable to the college/university.

Applicants must submit their completed application to the MASH Counseling Center by Friday, **4/3/2020**. A committee consisting of Wildcat Foundation board members and a representative of the MASH Counseling Department reviews all applications and makes award recommendations. Applicant packets are anonymous for the selection process. The Wildcat Foundation will announce scholarship recipients at the Senior Awards Ceremony, typically scheduled during the week prior to Commencement.



## Mechanicsburg Club/Wildcat Foundation Scholarship Application

APPLICANT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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HOME PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

INTENDED INSTITUTE OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND DECLARED MAJOR/FIELD OF STUDY: \_\_\_\_\_

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On a separate page, and in clear, concise and specific language, please prepare an essay, not to exceed 500 words, that explains why you are pursuing this scholarship. The essay should include the following:

- Description of academic interests
- Intended career focus
- Financial need

Your application packet must also include

- MASH transcript
- Copy of your fall semester, letter of acceptance
- Copy of your SAR
- Summary of your **community** activities (separate and distinct from school activities) for past 4 years (*high school only*)

REMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKET BY **4:00 PM, FRIDAY APRIL 3, 2020**

MASH COUNSELING CENTER