

CHAPEL HILL/CARRBORO PEACEMAKING SCHOLARSHIP

Information and Application Form

Background. Since 2009, 24 Peacemaking Scholarship(s), each valued at \$1,000, have been awarded to local high school seniors who aspire to a career in peacemaking. Applicants demonstrate an involvement in on more of six **peace-related focus topics**, by describing how their **activities, studies, and career goals** relate to one or more of these topics:

1. **NON-VIOLENT CONFLICT RESOLUTION** (for example, by making lethal force truly a means of last resort, stopping the arms race and arms trading, converting to peace-time economy).
2. **GLOBAL COMMUNITY** (for example, by sharing global resources, respecting cultural diversity).
3. **SOCIAL JUSTICE** (for example, by promoting human rights, ending discrimination and prejudice, fostering equal access to economic opportunity).
4. **ECOLOGY** (Making the connection between the environment and peacemaking – for example, by living more simply, improving air and water quality, working for conservation of resources, respecting wilderness and wildlife, seeking environmentally desirable waste management).
5. **POPULATION** (for example, by respecting human life and diversity while finding ways to manage growth so the human population reaches a sustainable level).
6. **DEPOLARIZATION** (e.g., building bridges across political divides, calming partisan rhetoric, better understanding each other, embracing things that bring us together rather than keep us apart).

The scholarship selection committee looks for applicants who show the most promise to have careers that involve being active peacemakers.

Eligibility. Any high school senior who lives in or goes to school in Chapel Hill or Carrboro, and who intends to go to college, is eligible to apply for a Peacemaking Scholarship. Biographical sketches of previous recipients can be accessed at <http://unitedchurch.org/peacemaking>.

Criteria. The scholarship committee will judge applicants on the basis of 1) their **written discussions** of how each of three areas of peace-keeping involvement (**activities, studies, and career goals**) relates to one or more of the six **peace-related focus topics** (described above); and 2) a **letter of recommendation**. See Application Form for details.

Deadline. Submit a completed Application Form, signed by the applicant and a parent or guardian, by **February 15, 2020**. Send completed form and associated documents by email attachment c/o Jack Denniston, Chair, Chapel Hill/Carrboro Peacemaking Scholarship Committee, at jdenniston3@gmail.com. Shortly thereafter, all applicants will be notified of the results.

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1. Provide the following contact information. *(Please print)*

Applicant's name <i>(first, middle initial, last)</i>	
Permanent address <i>(Street, city, state, zip)</i>	Telephone number
	Email address
	High school currently attending

2. Describe your participation in each of the three areas of peacemaking involvement, and **indicate how each of these areas of involvement relates to one or more of the six peacekeeping focus topics** A description of these topics is on the General Information page of this application. (Weighted scores are in parentheses.)

- **ACTIVITIES:** List and describe activities or groups in which you have been involved. (40 points)
- **STUDIES:** List and describe classes that you have attended or taught, essays you have written (attach copies), books you have read, or other studies you may have undertaken. (15 points)
- **CAREER GOALS:** Describe your career goals. (15 points)

3. **Letter of recommendation.** Include a letter of recommendation from someone who is familiar with your peacemaking activities, studies, and/or career goals. (30 points)

4. **Certification.** The following signatures certify that all of the information on this application is true and complete to the best of our knowledge. If asked by an authorized official, we agree to give proof of the information that we have provided on the application.

Applicant's signature:

Date _____

Parent's or guardian's signature: _____

Date _____