

Toledo Colony Scholarship 2023 - 2024 School Year

The Toledo Colony of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the state of Ohio is offering a scholarship for the 2023 - 2024 school year.

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. The applicant must be a member or Junior Member of the **Toledo Colony**. There is no restriction on the residence of the applicant.
2. For the 2023 - 2024 school year, the applicant must be in the **second year or later** of any post-high school program, including university, college, trade, or technical schools. Qualified applicants in all study areas are urged to apply. Preference will be given to students majoring in studies related to agriculture and/or students majoring in genealogy/history.

GUIDELINES:

1. One \$1,000 scholarship is available.
2. The award is to be used for school expenses only, as defined within IRS guidelines.
3. A person may be awarded a scholarship more than one time, a maximum of two times.
4. The scholarship need not be given if the committee decides there are no qualified candidates.
5. The original essay must be written and **signed by** the applicant.
6. The committee will judge according to this rubric:
 - 30%: Content of essay (organization, clarity of thought, grammar and punctuation)
 - 30%: Accuracy of historic facts
 - 30%: Letters of recommendation
 - 5%: Neatness
 - 5%: GPA
7. Please use a size 14 or larger font.
8. Send only the originals of documents.
9. The winner will be notified in mid-December and will be invited to the Colony meeting on April 6, 2024, in Toledo. Expanded information about the winner will be printed in the Toledo Colony Chronicle, on the State website, and offered to the State newsletter Buckeye Mayflower.
10. The award will be paid directly to the student by the Colony Treasurer upon receiving proof that the student is enrolled for the semester January - May, 2024.
11. The application for the scholarship, the essay topic, and **postmark deadline date** are available on the next page.

Toledo Colony Scholarship Application Form

Toledo Colony of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in Ohio

Name _____ Jr./Member # _____

Address _____

Contact phone _____ Email address _____

Month and year of high school graduation _____

Institution of higher learning currently attending, city, and state _____

Major field of study _____ Current GPA _____ (on 4 point scale)

Expected degree and graduation date (M/Y) _____

Pilgrim ancestor _____

Direct lineage connection to the Ohio Society:

Name, address, relationship, Colony, General Society number, and Ohio Society number

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please have two people not related to you write letters of reference. One should be from a professor or your advisor. The other should be a character reference. Each should contain the person's printed/typed name and address.

The application package mailed by you must be **postmarked by November 9, 2023** and arranged in the order described below. Also refer to the Guidelines.

1. The completed Toledo Colony Scholarship Application
2. Essay of 750 words or less entitled "Pilgrim Values Still Needed in American Society in the Twenty-first Century"
3. Transcript of grades through May/June, 2023
4. Letters of reference

Completed packets of materials will be accepted anytime through the postmark date.

Send to: Susan Fisher, Scholarship Chair
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