Guidelines

THE PURPOSE of the YWCA of Chester County Scholarship Foundation is to award academic scholarships to non-traditional female students who are returning to school after an absence who have aspirations to study at post-secondary institutions, including 2 year/4 year colleges or universities, or vocational/technical institutes, to further their education.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis to deserving students who, in the judgment of the YWCA of Chester County Scholarship Committee, best meet the following requirements:

- Women who have received a high school diploma or a GED
- Women attending post-secondary institutions, including 2 year/4 year colleges or universities, or vocational/technical institutes
- Completion of required essay
- Submission of requested materials

SUBMISSION CHECKLIST
I. Application Essay
   □ Complete
II. Applicant Information Form
   □ Complete
III. Certification & Official Release Form
   □ Complete

SCHOLARSHIP DISTRIBUTION
- Students will be notified by July 1, annually
- Scholarship payments will be made directly to the post-secondary institution of the Scholarship Recipient

Application Deadline: May 30
YWCA of Chester County Scholarship Foundation
CCCF, 28 W. Market Street, West Chester PA 19382
(610) 696-8211 www.chescocf.org info@chescocf.org

I. Application Essay

Please submit your high school transcript/GED and a 1-page essay which answers the following:

WHY WOULD YOU LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RETURN TO SCHOOL AND PURSUE A POST-SECONDARY DEGREE?

- What impact would this scholarship have on you?
- Which field are you interested in studying in order to pursue your degree?
- How do you plan on being a successful student?
II. Applicant Information

Student’s Full Name          Date of Birth
Street Address            City, State, Zip
Home Phone                  Cell Phone
E-mail
High School (if applicable) Grade Point Average
Date of GED (if applicable)
College/University/Technical School Attending/

III. Certification & Official Release

I certify that all of the information in this application is complete, accurate, and my original work.
If awarded a YWCA of Chester County Scholarship, I give the YWCA of Chester County Scholarship Foundation the right to:

☐ Yes  ☐ No: Release my name, school, and town in which I live in promotional materials (website, newspapers, etc.)
☐ Yes  ☐ No: Use my photo in promotional materials

Applicant’s Signature                  Date

...Eliminating racism —  Empowering women...

The YWCA Scholarship Foundation was established by the YWCA of Chester County at the Chester County Community Foundation to assist a non-traditional, female student pursuing a degree in post-secondary education.

The YWCA is the oldest and largest multicultural women’s organization in the world. The mission of the YWCA is to empower women and girls of all ethnicities by providing them education and supportive services, and to eliminate racial and economic discrimination in our community.

Scholarship recipients are awarded a $1,000 scholarship in the form of financial aid. Scholarship recipients can reapply to receive continuing scholarship assistance as they pursue their degree.

The YWCA of Chester County Scholarship Foundation is a fund of the Chester County Community Foundation, a charitable 501(c)(3) entity. A copy of the official registration and financial information for the Chester County Community Foundation may be obtained by calling the PA Department of State at 1-800-732-0999 (toll-free in PA.) Registration does not imply endorsement. EIN 23-2773822.