

Merchants State Bank

Scholarship Application

Amount: \$1,000

Application deadline: April 1, 2024

Requirement for application: Applicants must be a graduating high school senior who will attend an accredited South Dakota college, university, vocational technical school, or community college on a full-time basis. By completing an application, you agree to have your name released to the media if you are awarded the scholarship.

Name: _____ Birth date: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Address (if different from above): _____

Name of school currently attending: _____

Graduation date: _____

College or post secondary school: _____

Intended major or area of interest: _____

Attach a photo with your name printed on the back (head and shoulders shot, please.)

Your application will be evaluated in the following areas:

Academic: Include an official transcript.

Activities: Include a typewritten summary outlining school, extracurricular, civic, volunteer, work, and special interest activities. Briefly describe your involvement in each activity including average hours per week/month/year devoted to each activity.

Character: Write a 200 word or less description of yourself including your goals and values.

Essay: Answer the following question. Your answer should be limited to 200 words.

- What role does a community bank, such as Merchants State Bank, play in economic growth and community development?

All applications must be sent to:

Merchants State Bank, Attn: Emily Hofer, PO Box 399, Freeman, SD, 57029.

All requirements listed above must be met or it may result in disqualification of the applicant.

Applicants will be notified of determination by April 15, 2024.