

Tennessee Society of Mayflower Descendants
Roger L. Young Scholarship (2024)
Application Information

The Tennessee Society of Mayflower Descendants is offering a \$1,000.00 scholarship to a current Tennessee High School Senior or Accredited Home School Program. To be eligible the applicant must follow and meet all guidelines and requirements of the application process set forth.

The following requirements for the scholarship application are:

- _____ 1. Application Form must be completed in full & attached to the front of essay included in the packet.
- _____ 2. An original essay on the topic provided on the following pages. (The Applicant's judged essay will be the primary focus in scholarship recipient. However, academic record, resume, and references are Essential for the entire scholarship process.)
- _____ 3. One (1) letter of Sponsorship from either a current educator, school counselor, or administrator. (Must include contact information and be sealed.)
- _____ 4. One (1) letter of Character Reference from either a family friend, supervisor, church or scout leader, club or society leader, etc. (Must include contact information and be sealed.)
- _____ 5. Student's Unofficial Fall 2023 Transcript reporting a current 3.0 GPA or above. (Official graduating transcript will be required showing 3.0 GPA or above before scholarship money is awarded for the Fall semester.)
- _____ 6. Student Resume that contains High School activities, community service/ or church activities, employment history (if any), interests, accomplishments, honors, planned course of college study with your academic plans.

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION IS DUE/POSTMARKED
ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 2024**

**For more information, please visit <https://tennesseemayflowersociety.org/>
or Janet Cantrell, TSOMD Scholarship Chair at fanciesbyrae@gmail.com.**

Application Form

Applicant Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Name of Parents/Guardians: _____

Address of Parent/Guardian: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Name of High School: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Does the Tennessee Society of Mayflower Descendants have permission to publicize your award? Yes or No (please circle your response)

Applicant's Signature: _____

If under the age of 18, please have parent/guardian sign for consent, also.

Signature: _____

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Essay Information and Scoring Rubric

Requirements:

1. Essay should be 650-1100 words in length.
2. Essay must be typed in black ink, double spaced, and in 12- pt. font.
3. The style guide for references should be *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers* by Joseph Gibaldi or *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations: Chicago Style for Students and Researchers*, by Katie L. Turabian.
4. All sections must have a 1-inch margin on all sides on 8.5 x 11-inch white paper.
5. The essay must be written in English with no graphics.
6. The topic of the essay must be present at the top of the first page of the essay and not included with essay word count.

Information:

1. The essay will be judged by the Tennessee Society of Mayflower Descendants Scholarship Committee. All decisions by the Executive Board and Committee are final and not subject for review. Applicants agree that the interpretation of the rules, guidelines and decisions of the contest chairman and judges must govern without reservation and that decisions of the judges are final.
2. Applicants agree that their essay may be published in the TSOMD newsletter and on the TSOMD Facebook page. By applying for the scholarship, all applicants agree that the essays will become the property of the TSOMD.

Essay Topic:

The Pilgrim-Wampanoag Treaty was drafted and signed in March 1621. Why did the Treaty between the Wampanoag and the Pilgrims come about and what was the historical significance of the Treaty? What do you imagine would have been the outcome if the Pilgrims had made a different choice? Describe what happened before and after the Treaty.

Essay Rubric

Development (1-5 points): Understands the prompt. The writer stays on topic and provides an insightful perspective of the topic.

Organization (1-5 points): Introduction and conclusion contain an interesting perspective that leads the reader to consider wider questions or ideas.

Transitions are crafted seamlessly to connect sections. Events or sections are arranged in a sophisticated way that enhances the piece.

Voice (1-5 points): Tone and style show a strong awareness of audience and purpose. The applicant's voice maintains a strong presence throughout the piece.

English (1-5 points): Grammatical and mechanical errors shall be few to none. Word choice shall be appropriate for age and for audience. All of the assignment's formatting instructions have been followed.

MAIL ALL REQUIREMENTS IN ONE PACKET TO:

Janet Cantrell, Scholarship Chairman
Tennessee Society of Mayflower Descendants
929 County Road 750
Athens, TN 37303

Due /Postmarked by February 1, 2024

