## The AAVFD Scholarship Program

## Requirements

The AAVFD offers a limited number of scholarships each year. Scholarships are given on a one-year basis. Previous applicants and/or recipients must submit a new application each year to be considered. Applications for AAVFD Scholarship must be postmarked no later than March 31st.

- A volunteer firefighter; or a dependent son, or a dependent daughter, or the spouse of a volunteer firefighter (as listed on the 1040 tax return), in the State of Alabama; who is a current, active member of a certified volunteer fire department for a minimum of three (3) consecutive years; and said department has been a member of the AAVFD for the last three (3) consecutive years.
- 2. A dependent of a volunteer firefighter as listed on the 1040 tax return, and the volunteer firefighter meets the requirements as specified above in number 1.
- 3. The surviving spouse, or son, or daughter, of a fallen volunteer firefighters in the State of Alabama, whose death was in the line of duty. Said volunteer firefighter must have been a current, active member of a certified volunteer f ire department, and said department was a member of the AAVFD for the last three (3) consecutive years at the time of the firefighter's death.
- 4. A surviving dependent, listed on a 1040 tax return of a fallen firefighters whose death was in the line of duty, and the fallen volunteer firefighter met the requirements as specified above in number 3.
- 5. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior, or a high school graduate, or have a GED or equivalent.
- 6. Applicant must have maintained a 'C' average at the last school attended.
- 7. The AAVFD Scholarship is awarded for undergraduates of a regional accredited public or private two (2) or four (4) year institution.
- 8. Scholarships awarded must be used within one year of award.
- 9. Applicant must submit a copy of the volunteer-firefighter's last year's 1040 tax return.
- 10. Applicant must submit a transcript of grades for last school year attended.
- 11. Applicant must submit a copy of their high school diploma (if applicant is a high school graduate), or a copy of their GED or equivalent.
- 12. Applicant must submit a completed AAVFD Scholarship Application.
- 13. Applicant must submit three (3) letters of recommendation.
- 14. Applicant must submit a short essay as to why he/she desires an AAVFD Scholarship and what their plans are for the future.
- 15. If applicant is applying as a survivor of a firefighter fallen in the line of duty; a copy of the death certificate should be submitted.