

Third Marine Division Association – Memorial Scholarship Fund (MSF)
Application for the 2019-2020 Academic Year – Due no later than April 15, 2019
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Student's Financial Data, 2018 Actual 2019 Estimated:

Is Student married?: Circle one: Yes No

If married enter the combined data for the student and spouse below from their Joint Tax return or Separate tax returns.

Income 2018 per tax return, Estimated for 2019:

	<u>2018 Actual</u>	<u>2019 Estimate</u>	
Adjusted Gross Income	\$ _____	\$ _____	IRS Form 1040 Page 2, Line 7
Non Taxable Income - List below	_____	_____	
-	_____	_____	
-	_____	_____	
-	_____	_____	
Total Income	<u>\$ _____</u>	<u>\$ _____</u>	

Financial Assets – as of the date of this application on page 5

Assets:

Cash, savings, checking	\$ _____
College 529 Savings Plan (Student's)	_____
Other Assets - list below	_____

Total Assets	<u>\$ _____</u>

Liabilities:

Student loans federal & state	_____
Student loans private	_____
Other Loans - list below	_____

Total Loans	<u>\$ _____</u>

Explain below or attach as a separate statement any explanations or amplification concerning the Student's financial information above that would give more insight for the Board of Trustees in their evaluation process.

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Section C - Required Documents to be submitted with this application. **Please delete all Social Security Numbers** from all documents submitted

First time applicants only:

- Copy of birth certificate or adoption papers.
- Most recent transcript, Fall 2018 original copy in a school secure envelope or email see Section D 5. below.
- Copy of 2019-2020 school acceptance or enrollment letter
- Married applicants. Copy of a marriage license that is a document issued, either by a church or state authority, authorizing a couple to marry.
- Recently discharged Marines, a copy of Form DD-214.

All applicants:

- Copy of the school's financial award letter summarizing the financial aid to be received by the student.
- Copy of the school's annual cost of attendance detailed by line item for the school year (tuition, fees, room & board, books, supplies). This should be the same for "School Cost" on page 1.
- A copy of the Applicant's "Free Application for Federal Student Aid" (**FAFSA**) form for the 2019-2020 year as filed. Note: this form should be completed as soon as possible after January 1, 2019. <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa>
- For prior year 2018-2019 MSF awardees if they have not done so, the Fall 2018 transcript report see D 5. below.

Section D – Agreement between the Applicant and MSF and Contact Information

1. We attest that the Applicant named in this form is fully qualified to receive assistance from the Third Marine Division Association's Memorial Scholarship Fund (MSF) as the legally dependent child, grandchild or great-grandchild of a member of the Association OR a recently discharged Marine as described below in Section E 5. with at least two full years of continuous membership as of the date of this application.
2. We attest by our signatures below to the truthfulness and completeness, as known to us, of all answers regarding "Estimated Costs" for the school to be attended and to the "Financial Assets", "Income" and "Estimated Income" sections of this Application. We agree to promptly provide any such additional information or clarification relevant to school costs, living arrangements, supplies, fees, transportation, personal expenses, etc., as may be requested
3. We agree to promptly advise the Secretary of the MSF Board of Trustees of any changes to this Application as originally submitted, and particularly any changes to the financial information regarding "Income" as submitted herein such as new scholarships, State and/or Federal grants/awards, etc
4. We agree to immediately notify the MSF Secretary if the Applicant, for any reason, fails to start school as indicated on this Application, withdraws from the indicated school after an award check has been mailed to the indicated institution, or transfers to a school other than the one indicated in this Application.
5. We agree that semester grade reports will be sent to the Secretary, MSF after the end of each semester to verify continued academic performance (**Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher**) and that semester grade reports must be original official documents from the educational institution which includes secure/encrypted emails from the school registrar sent to the MSF Secretary via email. On-line printouts or copies are unacceptable. Grade reports from the educational institution must show the student's name, semester GPA and cumulative GPA.
6. **We also agree to submit a new Application annually for any future year MSF assistance** request by the Applicant, such Applications to be used by the MSF Board of Trustees to determine on-going "need." We acknowledge that the MSF Board of Trustees, Third Marine Division Association, retains total and complete control and determination of award recipients, award amounts, and related decisions, and their findings are final and binding, without recourse or appeal for such actions by any person or group.
7. Award recipients will provide the Secretary, MSF their School mailing address and e-mail address they are attending within two weeks of the start of the Fall 2018 Semester.
8. Review the Eligibility Requirements on pages 6 & 7 before signing, which constitutes your acceptance of this agreement section having read it in its entirety.

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Signatures agreeing to the preceding paragraphs 1. through 8.

- Applicant _____ Date _____
- Father/Step/Guardian _____ Date _____
- Mother/Step/Guardian _____ Date _____

Return this completed application with the Section C required documents by **US Mail (Must be received no later than April 15, 2018)** to:

Patrick J. Conroy
MSF Secretary
PO Box 2296
Stow, OH 44224

Direct questions or comments to the MSF Secretary's email at ConroyPJ11@aol.com

Section E - Eligibility Requirements:

To be considered eligible for a financial award based on need an applicant must meet the following specific criteria of eligibility and compliance:

1. A child, grandchild, great-grandchild or legal dependent of any personnel who lost their lives as a result of hostile enemy action while a member of or attached to a unit of the Third Marine Division (Reinf) in "Military Operations" as defined below OR
2. A child, grandchild, great-grandchild or legal dependent of any honorably discharged personnel deceased or retired having been a member of or attached to a unit of the Third Marine Division (Reinf) in Military Operations whose post service death has been certified by the Department of Veterans Affairs to have been the result of hostile enemy action or other disabilities incurred and were not the result of any misconduct by the veteran. OR
3. A child, grandchild, great-grandchild or legal dependent of a deceased member of the Association or the spouse of such member, provided the deceased member had held Association membership for a period of at least two (2) consecutive years immediately prior to his or her death OR
4. A child, grandchild, great-grandchild or legal dependent of a living member (sponsor) of the Association, provided the sponsoring member has held Association membership for a period of at least two (2) consecutive years immediately prior to the date of eligible applicant's first application for assistance OR
5. Any personnel who has been recently honorably discharged having been a member of or attached to a unit of the Third Marine Division (Reinf) provided the person has held Association membership for a period of at least two (2) consecutive years immediately prior to the date of the first application, be current on all annual dues payments and who continues his or her membership for the entire period of their financial assistance.
6. "Military Operations" is defined as the involvement of any unit of the Third Marine Division (Reinf) in Vietnam, or in military operations designated as Desert Storm, Desert Shield, Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom and in the countries of Southwest Asia defined for this purpose as Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Iran, United Arab Emirates, Yemen, Afghanistan, Bahrain, Israel, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Kuwait, Syria, Cyprus and Jordan. Also, military operations conducted by order of the President of the United States anywhere throughout the world.
7. Applicants shall be unmarried or married and between the ages of sixteen (16) and twenty-three (23), both ages inclusive, as of the date of the original application for assistance. NOTE: If an applicant is applying per section E 5. above as recently discharged personnel the Fund President will determine the maximum age limit based on the applicant's circumstances.

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8. Applicants shall complete annually in its entirety the application form with all required support documents to be received by the Secretary of the MSF Board of Trustees on or before the due date for each school year as declared. Each school year requires a new application to be submitted. Awards will only be given and/or continued provided the applicant maintains academic and conduct standards satisfactory to the educational institution attended and to the Fund's Trustees and demonstrates the need for financial assistance. No post-graduate financial assistance will be granted.
9. Applicants shall have a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.50 or higher at the time of the initial application; and shall maintain a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.50 or higher to demonstrate academic proficiency and continue in the program and will only be given and/or continued provided the applicant maintains academic and conduct standards satisfactory to the educational institution attended and to the Fund's Trustees.
10. Awards may be awarded for any approved course of study in an accredited college or university, or for any approved course of study in an accredited and approved post-high school trade school institution. Awards will not be given in excess of four (4) years of undergraduate study except for those accredited degree programs where the undergraduate requirement is at least 150 credit hours or five (5) years of undergraduate study for graduation. No post-graduate assistance will be granted. Applicants must be enrolled in each semester for not less than twelve (12) credit hours.
11. The student is responsible to ensure grade reports are submitted to the MSF Secretary after the end of each semester on a timely basis by the student's educational institution (even if the student has graduated) and must be issued directly from the institution. Semester grade reports must be original official documents directly from the educational institution, which includes secure/encrypted emails from the school registrar sent to the MSF Secretary's email. Online printouts or copies are unacceptable. Grade reports from the educational institution must show the student's name and ID number, semester GPA and cumulative GPA.

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