



ABUNDANT GRACE CHURCH

# Covenant

SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

OFFICIAL

2026  
SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION

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## **Welcome to the Covenant Scholarship Foundation**

Thank you for your interest in the Covenant Scholarship at Abundant Grace Church.

The Covenant Scholarship Foundation was established to empower high school seniors who desire to pursue higher education in medicine, dentistry, nursing, or related healthcare degrees. Through financial support, mentorship, and collaboration with schools and colleges, we seek to help students flourish academically and personally as they prepare for careers that make a meaningful impact.

Each year, the Foundation awards a scholarship to a deserving student who demonstrates academic excellence, strong character, and a commitment to community contribution. Our goal is not only to assist with educational expenses, but to support the development of future healthcare leaders.

We are honored that you are considering applying.

**Pastor James Powell**

**& Jacqueline Powell**

Covenant Scholarship Foundation

*Abundant Grace Church*



## Scholarship Overview

- Award Amount: Up to \$45,000 per year (distributed over the course of the student's studies and based on scholarship guidelines and academic performance)
- Field of Study: Medicine, dentistry, nursing, or related disciplines
- Enrollment Status: Must pursue a full-time college degree program
- Administration: Funds are disbursed in collaboration with the college's Financial Aid Department

## Eligibility Requirements

To be considered for the Covenant Scholarship, applicants must meet the following criteria:

### 1. Academic and Community Standing

- Be actively enrolled in high school and in good standing.
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.5.
- Demonstrate consistent academic performance.
- Maintain satisfactory attendance.
- Exhibit positive behavior in academic and extracurricular activities.

### 2. College Interest and Field of Study

- Demonstrate a strong interest in attending a participating college.
- Plan to pursue a full-time degree in:
  - Medicine
  - Dentistry
  - Nursing
  - Or a related healthcare discipline

### 3. Financial Aid Application

- Complete the Covenant Scholarship Application.
- Verify completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Have a current FAFSA application on file.

**Note: The application deadline has been extended to [April 30, 2026](#).  
All application materials must be submitted by mail and received by this date.**



#### 4. Essay Submission

- Submit a written essay demonstrating:
  - **Your Academic Aspirations:**
    - Discuss your passion for the medical field and your specific career goals.
  - **Personal Inspiration:**
    - Share a personal experience or individual who has inspired your pursuit of a medical career.
  - **Integration of Faith:**
    - Explain how your faith influences your academic and professional path.
  - **Community Service:**
    - Detail your involvement in community service and leadership activities.

#### Essay Format Requirements

- Length: 500–750 words
- Typed (12-point standard font, such as Times New Roman or Arial)
- Double-spaced
- One-inch margins
- Include your full name and high school at the top of the page
- Submit as a printed document

Essay and all supporting materials including your completed application must be submitted by mail by the published deadline. Essays that do not follow format guidelines may not be considered. Late submissions will not be reviewed.

#### Submit complete application and materials to:

Covenant Scholarship Foundation  
Abundant Grace Church  
P.O. Box 10774  
Goldsboro, NC 27532

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## **How to Apply**

Please follow these steps carefully

### **Step 1: Review Eligibility**

Ensure you meet all academic and program requirements before beginning your application.

### **Step 2: Complete the Application Form**

Fill out the Covenant Scholarship Application completely and accurately. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

### **Step 3: Prepare Your Essay**

Your essay should clearly address:

- Your Academic Aspirations
- Personal Inspiration
- Integration of Faith
- Community Service

Be thoughtful, honest, and clear. This is your opportunity to tell your story.

### **Step 4: Submit Required Documentation**

- Official or verified and sealed academic/high school transcript.
- Documentation of GPA (minimum 3.5 required).
- Verification of FAFSA completion.
- Any additional documents listed in the application packet.

### **Step 5: Submit by the Deadline**

All materials along with your completed application must be submitted by mail by the published deadline of **Thursday, April 30, 2026**. Late submissions will not be reviewed.

### **Submit complete printed application and materials to:**

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## Selection Process

### After submission:

- Applications are reviewed by the Covenant Scholarship Leadership Committee.
- Essays and academic records are evaluated carefully.
- Selected candidates may be invited for an interview.
- Final decisions are made in collaboration with high school counselors and leadership.

The scholarship is awarded to the candidate who best demonstrates academic excellence, character, leadership potential, and commitment to the healthcare field.

### After You Apply

1. You will receive confirmation by mail and phone that your application was received.
2. Applications are reviewed during the designated review period of April 1-April 31.
3. If selected for an interview, you will be contacted directly by mail and phone.
4. All applicants will be notified of the final decision.
5. Award recipients will receive further instructions regarding scholarship disbursement.

## Thank You

We sincerely thank you for taking the time to apply for the Covenant Scholarship Foundation.

Applying for scholarships takes dedication, courage, and effort. Regardless of the outcome, your pursuit of higher education in healthcare is commendable. We are proud of students who aspire to serve others and make a difference in their communities.

### If you have questions about the application process, please contact our Scholarship Committee:

Covenant Scholarship Foundation

Abundant Grace Church

Phone: (919) 736-0911 or (843) 608-8005

Email: [scholarships@theabundantgracechurch.com](mailto:scholarships@theabundantgracechurch.com)

Website: [www.theabundantgracechurch.com/scholarships](http://www.theabundantgracechurch.com/scholarships)



## Student Application Checklist

Please use this checklist to ensure your application is complete before submitting.

### Eligibility Requirements

- I am a current high school senior.
- I have a minimum GPA of 3.5.
- I am in good academic and behavioral standing.
- I plan to pursue a full-time college degree in:
  - Medicine
  - Dentistry
  - Nursing
  - Or a related healthcare field
- I have completed (or will complete) the FAFSA and have verification available.

### Required Application Materials

- Completed Covenant Scholarship Application Form
- Official or verified sealed academic/high school transcript
- Verification of FAFSA submission
- Completed essay
- Any additional required documents listed in the application packet



## **Information for Parents & Guardians**

**Dear Parent or Guardian,**

Thank you for supporting your student in applying for the Covenant Scholarship Foundation at Abundant Grace Church.

This scholarship is designed to assist high school seniors who demonstrate academic excellence, strong character, and a commitment to pursuing higher education in medicine, dentistry, nursing, or related healthcare fields.

The Foundation not only provides financial assistance but also mentorship and collaboration with educational institutions to help ensure student success.

### **What Parents Should Know**

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

Your student must:

- Maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA
- Be in good academic and behavioral standing
- Demonstrate strong attendance
- Plan to pursue a full-time degree in a healthcare-related field
- Complete the FAFSA

#### **Selection Process**

- Applications are reviewed by the Covenant Scholarship Leadership Committee.
- Selected candidates may be invited for an interview.
- The final recipient is selected based on academic performance, essay quality, character, and commitment to the healthcare profession.
- Funds are distributed in coordination with the college's Financial Aid Department.



## **Information for Parents & Guardians**

### **Updated Scholarship Timeline**

March – Application Opens

End of April – Deadline

May – Review & Interviews

June – Recipient Notification

### **Your Role as a Parent**

#### **You can support your student by:**

- Ensuring all required documents are submitted
- Reviewing the essay before submission
- Confirming FAFSA completion
- Helping your student meet all deadlines

### **Ongoing Support**

Once awarded, the Covenant Scholarship Foundation maintains communication with the student and will collaborate with the college to support continued academic success and scholarship funding.

### **If you have any questions, please contact our Scholarship Committee:**

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**MAIL THIS FORM IN WITH YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION AND MATERIALS**

**Student Personal Information**

1. Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Address: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Academic Information**

1. Current Educational Institution: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Intended Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Transcripts: Please include an **official sealed copy** of your most recent academic/high school transcript(s).

**Essay Section**

In a well-prepared **typed** essay of at least 500 words, please write about the following:

1. **Your Academic Aspirations:**
  - Discuss your passion for the medical field and your specific career goals.
2. **Personal Inspiration:**
  - Share a personal experience or individual who has inspired your pursuit of a medical career.
3. **Integration of Faith:**
  - Explain how your faith influences your academic and professional path.
4. **Community Service:**
  - Detail your involvement in community service and leadership activities.

**Please be sure to format your essay according to the guidelines on Page 4.**





### **Submission Checklist**

Please ensure all required documents are included in your submission:

- Completed Application Form
- Academic Transcript
- Personal Typed Essay
- Two Letters of Recommendation

### **Recommendation Letters**

- Letters of Recommendation should be:
  - One letter should be from an academic source (teacher, professor, etc.).
  - The other letter should be from a community leader, employer, church mentor (excluding any member of the Covenant Scholarship Foundation team), coach, or another individual who can speak to your character.
  - Letters of Recommendation should be printed and signed by the individual providing the letter. Include your Letters of Recommendation with your mailed application and documents.

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