

CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS

\$5,000 Fraternal Scholarship Application

Applicant Information

Type or print all information.

1. Name _____
Last First Middle initial
2. Address _____
Street City State Zip code
3. Telephone _____ 4. High school graduation date _____
5. Birth date _____ 6. Male Female
7. E-mail address _____

Court Information

1. Court No. _____
2. Date joined COF _____

Test Information

December is the last accepted test date. I understand it is my responsibility when completing the score report section of my SAT I or ACT Registration Form to enter **Code 0306** (Catholic Order of Foresters Scholarship Program). If I already registered or took the SAT I or ACT and did not specify **Code 0306** as a score recipient, it is my responsibility to file an *Additional Report Request* with the testing program and specify **Code 0306**.
Test scores are not to be sent directly to COF.

Date I **will take** the SAT I or ACT _____

Date I **took** the SAT I or ACT _____

Applicant Authorization

I certify all information is correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize my high school to complete the information requested below.

Applicant _____
Signature Date

School Authorization

Must be completed by high school principal or guidance counselor.

1. Is this student now a high school senior? Yes No
2. Graduation date _____
3. Junior class size _____ Exact junior year class rank _____
4. School name _____
5. Address _____
Street City State Zip code
6. Telephone _____ 7. E-mail _____
- Authorized signature _____
Principal or guidance counselor Date

APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 31.

This application must be submitted to the Fraternal Scholarship Committee, Catholic Order of Foresters, PO Box 3012, Naperville, IL 60566-7012.

Questions?

Call 630-983-4937, Toll-free 800-552-0145, TTY 800-617-4176, or e-mail jjames@catholicforester.org

COF Fraternal Scholarship Program

Catholic Order of Foresters is interested in developing future leaders for the Church and the community. We are especially concerned about young members and their educational needs. To show this interest and concern, COF has established the Fraternal Scholarship Program.

Each year COF awards 20 four-year scholarships, \$1,250 per year or a total of \$5,000 for four years. Awards are made on a competitive basis.

Scholarship money goes directly to the recipient's college or university. It is credited to the recipient's account and used according to the institution's policy.

To qualify for the competition—

The student —

1. Must be an insured member in good standing for at least two years prior to applying for this award.



2. Must be a secondary school senior. "Senior" is defined as a student graduating between January 1 and August 31 of the scholarship award year.

To apply for a COF scholarship—

1. Complete the application form in the brochure. You may obtain applications from *Catholic Forester* magazine, your court secretary, agent, online at www.CatholicForester.com, or COF home office.
2. Present the application to your high school principal or guidance counselor for class rank and signature.
3. Send the application to: Fraternal Scholarship Committee, Catholic Order of Foresters, 355 Shuman Boulevard, PO Box 3012, Naperville, IL 60566-7012. It must be postmarked no later than October 31.
4. Take the required College Entrance Examination Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT I) or the American College Test (ACT). **Be sure to write the code number 0306 on your test.**
5. If you have registered for or taken the SAT I or ACT test, and did not specify **Code 0306** (Catholic Order of Foresters' code) as a score recipient, it is your responsibility to file an Additional Report request with the test program and enter **Code 0306**.

SAT I or ACT scores, as well as class rank, will be used to determine the 40 semifinalists in the Catholic Order of Foresters Fraternal Scholarship competition.



Selection of the Scholarship Winners—

Scholarship winners are selected by an independent committee of professionals who are experienced in interpreting test scores and school records. They are assisted by the Educational Testing Service of Princeton, New Jersey. The 40 semifinalists are chosen according to combined verbal and math scores on either SAT I or ACT tests as well as class rank. Semifinalists are requested to provide additional information for the committee to review.

Candidates' records are reviewed by each committee member and rated according to standards established by the Scholarship and Recognition Programs. Twenty candidates are selected as winners and up to five additional candidates named as alternates. Winners and alternates will be notified in May. If a winner does not accept the award, it is then offered to the first alternate. If necessary, this procedure is followed in the order of the remaining alternates.

Scholarship winners who maintain satisfactory progress toward a degree will retain the scholarship throughout the four years of college. Students must qualify each year by furnishing the Educational Testing Service with evidence of satisfactory academic progress. If illness or any other extenuating circumstance arises that necessitates an interruption of studies, students may request their award be held in abeyance during this time. Any such interruption must be reported promptly to the Fraternal Scholarship Committee of the Catholic Order of Foresters.



Important

Before filling out this scholarship application, read the following information regarding qualifications, filing procedures, and test requirements. By following instructions carefully and meeting specified deadlines, you will ensure consideration for one of these scholarships.

It is your responsibility to apply for and gain admission to a college or university. A scholarship provides financial aid only AFTER you have been admitted.

All applicants will be notified of the competition outcome. Scholarship Committee decisions are final.

Other Scholarships

The Catholic Order of Foresters scholarship is primarily intended to pay tuition. If you obtain other awards in addition to the Catholic Order of Foresters Fraternal Scholarship, they will be considered and the Order's award may be revised.

If you receive a government Military Academy scholarship, the COF scholarship will be withdrawn.

Changes in Program

Catholic Order of Foresters reserves the right to alter, suspend, or discontinue this scholarship program at its discretion. However, no general suspension or discontinuance will adversely affect awards already in effect.

About Catholic Order of Foresters

Established in 1883, Catholic Order of Foresters is a fraternal insurance organization with more than 140,000 members nationwide. Operation are conducted through 300 agents in 31 states and the District of Columbia.

We are an organization of Catholics helping Catholics by offering outstanding financial protection and security through quality life insurance products, annuities, and added-value fraternal benefits.

Through local courts, our member volunteers support Catholic and Community causes. And with our successful Matching Funds program, courts raise money for school, parish, community, and humanitarian needs.

Catholic Order of Foresters ranks among the ten largest fraternal life insurance societies in the United States. A.M. Best Company, the most recognized insurance rating service in the world, awarded Catholic Order of Foresters an A- (Excellent) classification, July 2006.



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