



Southern Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (SASFAA)

“Making A Difference” Scholarship

up to \$500

As a college student, financial support is provided through grants, scholarships, work-study, and loans. There are great financial aid representatives who provide support and assistance with receiving funding to cover the cost of educational expenses. You have an opportunity to share your financial aid experience and highlight how financial aid is making a difference in your college experience.

Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

- Undergraduate students enrolled in college for 2017-18 in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee or Virginia.
- GPA of a 2.5 or higher.

How to Apply:

- Complete scholarship application and essay questions.
- Upload a video (2-5 minutes) sharing how financial aid has made a difference in your collegiate experience using the Essay Questions as a guide.
- Attach proof of your Grade Point Average and Enrollment in College.

Application must be completed and Video uploaded by January 31, 2018.

Tips for Making Good Videos:

- Use a tripod or set your camera down – Stabilizing your camera or cell phone will drastically improve the quality of your video and remove shakiness
- Good lighting is important – Avoid standing in front of windows or other bright lights inside. Go outdoors during the day and you can pretty much guarantee good lighting.
- Good audio – Avoid noisy places. Stay close enough to your camera so that the microphone picks up your voice.
- Use the high-quality settings on your camera or phone – If your video is uploaded and the quality is very bad, you may not qualify to win.

The completed application, proof of enrollment and gpa should be emailed to Dr. Sharon Oliver, SASFAA President at soliver@nccu.edu by January 31, 2018.

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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Telephone #'s (include area code): Home: _____ Cell: _____

College attending for 2017-18 (July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018):

Classification: _____ Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior

Cumulative College Grade Point Average: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Video Submission Instructions:

Download your video to your personal Youtube channel. Adjust the privacy status of the video to be "unlisted."

Input video link here:

Essay 1

Discuss the type of financial aid awards that you have received (federal grants, state grants, institutional grants, scholarships, Direct Loans (student and/or parent), private loans, and work-assistance.

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Essay 2

Discuss how financial aid has made a difference in your college experience.

Essay 3

What has been the most challenging part of your financial aid experience?

Essay 4

Discuss your short and long-term goals.

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Essay 5

Is there anything that you wish to share to enhance the financial aid experience?

Essay 6

Is there a financial aid representative that you would like to personally thank? If so, this is your opportunity to express your thoughts.

Selected applicants essays and vidoes will be shared during the Southern Association for Student Financial Aid (SASFAA) Annual Conference and during board meetings. I hereby declare that all of the above statements are true and permission is granted to use my essay and video for SASFAA events . I have also included with this application the necessary proof of enrollment and current grade point average. I agree to accept the decision of the scholarship committee.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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