

## **GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship**

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#### **Teaching Scholarship Rules**

The GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship shall be awarded by GFWC of North Carolina, Inc. (GFWC-NC) to an outstanding rising College Junior (male or female) who has declared his/her major in education to become a K-12 teacher. The student must be a resident of North Carolina, attending an accredited four-year college or university in North Carolina, and must be sponsored by a Federated club in good standing with GFWC-NC. The tenure for the scholarship shall be one year in a North Carolina school.

The recipient shall undertake and satisfactorily complete a full academic number of hours as described by the current college catalog to be a teacher. An overall cumulative grade point average (GPA) less than 3.0 does not satisfactorily meet the terms of the contract. Should the scholarship recipient find it necessary to withdraw from school, the student must notify the State Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship Chairman as soon as possible.

Scholarships are administered through the GFWC-NC in cooperation with State Teaching Scholarship Chairman and the Financial Officer of the college that the recipient attends. The annual funds shall be paid by GFWC-NC prior to the college year upon receipt of a release form from the Chairman. The Chairman must receive updated address information and a copy of the transcripts of the previous semester grades, which must be in compliance with the scholarship rules in order for the funds to be released to the college.

The GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship began with the 2010-2012 Administration as part of the Literacy campaign. Clubs and Districts are asked to judge applicants in a similar manner as the Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship (SSCS). Please keep in mind that this is a separate competition and SSCS winners are not eligible to apply for the GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship. Clubs and Districts are likewise encouraged to work toward providing funding at each level for a Teaching Scholarship as it is hoped this will become a permanent scholarship. The Teaching Scholarship is a one-time award and when compared to the SSCS is awarded in a much smaller amount, given for one year, and awarded to a college Junior of any age wishing to become a K-12 teacher. The winner of the Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship is awarded a one-time award of \$2,500, and the runner-up receives an award of \$500.

#### **Teaching Scholarship Committee**

The GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship Committee shall be composed of the GFWC-NC Teaching Scholarship Chairman and committee members appointed by the GFWC-NC President. The Chairman shall serve on the GFWC-NC Scholarship Committee. The official application form and rules governing the scholarship shall be prepared and amended by the Committee and approved by the GFWC-NC Executive Committee. The Committee shall be responsible for planning, staffing, and executing the scholarship contest. The Committee shall be available to aid District Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship Chairmen when requested. The Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship Committee shall work toward increasing the GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship Fund.

#### **Teaching Scholarship Chairman**

The Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship Chairman (G-J Chairman) shall confer with the committee to clarify the implementation of rules and procedures. She shall obtain a signed statement of understanding from the recipient and the college governing the release of funds. The Chairman shall communicate with the recipients periodically as to their school progress.

She shall secure recipient's updated contact information and a copy of the transcripts of the previous semester grades, which must be in compliance. The Chairman will then forward GFWC-NC Headquarters the information with payment instructions. The Teaching Scholarship Chairman shall work toward increasing the GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship Fund.

**Application Rules – Local/District/State**

This scholarship is awarded based on the candidate's character, scholastic records, evidence of intellectual promise, demonstration of ambition, leadership ability, and need for financial assistance. Applicant must be present for judging and presentation of the scholarship at the time and place designated.

1. Applicant must be a resident of North Carolina and a rising junior at a North Carolina four-year accredited college or university having declared an education major to become a K-12 teacher.
2. Applicant should have an overall cumulative GPA of 3.0.
3. Applicant must use the official application form (or copies of) on page 13.
4. Citizen or permanent legal resident of the United States.

**THE FOLLOWING MUST BE SUBMITTED:**

1. Application form on page 13.
2. Recent photograph.
3. A personal letter as to why student desires to continue their education to become a teacher, the student's future plans, and why financial aid is necessary, along with a recent FASFA form.
4. Letter of recommendation from someone in the education field.
5. Letter of recommendation from a business or professional person other than school personnel.
6. Letter of recommendation from the President of sponsoring club.
7. College transcript with grades from the last three semesters.

**District Scholarship Procedure**

Each District President shall appoint a Teaching Scholarship Chairman whose term shall be two years. Each district shall hold a scholarship competition, preferably during their Arts Festival. All clubs' entries should be sent to the District Teaching Scholarship Chairman in accordance with their District Bylaws. Each district should select a winner and an alternate.

**The District Scholarship Chairman shall:**

1. Be responsible for the district contest.
2. Contact each club in the district with full information as to rules and procedures governing the scholarship.
3. Select three (3) judges - someone in the education field, an active clubwoman, and a business or professional person.
4. Submit a copy of each applicant's file to each judged at least one week prior to the district judging.
5. Provide judges with the judging criteria found in the following section entitled "Judging Criteria."

The deadline for entries to the State Chairman is March 1 - District Chairman should mail to the State Teaching Scholarship Chairman:

1. Five (5) copies of the district winner
2. One (1) copy of the district alternate

**Judges – State Level**

Interviews for the Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship will be conducted as organized by the GFWC-NC Scholarship Committee. There shall be three (3) judges to include an outstanding Educator, a Principal or representative of an institution of higher learning, and the GFWC-NC G-J Chairman.

The State G-J Chairman shall submit a complete set of each district winner's file to the judges' panel no later than two weeks prior to the interview. The judges will review each district applicant in advance. Each applicant will be interviewed individually and scored immediately after the interview. The G-J Chairman will tally the scores. After the judges confer, their decision will be reported to the G-J Chairman who will contact the winner and runner up along with the sponsoring club presidents by phone. The G-J Chairman will contact the GFWC-NC Executive Committee and then send a letter to the applicants, sponsoring Club Presidents and District Scholarship Chairmen notifying them of the results. A copy of the letter will sent to GFWC-NC Headquarters for their files. The results will be shared with GFWC-NC clubwomen through the Federation Friday communications.

# GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship Application Form

(Please copy for future use.)

## To Be Completed By Sponsoring Club (before delivering application to applicant.)

Club \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_

Club President/Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Local Scholarship Contest will be held (date) \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_

District Scholarship Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

District Scholarship Contest will be held (date) \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_

## To Be Completed by Student

APPLICANT'S FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTH DATE \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

1) School \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

*If parents are still guardians and providing funding complete 2-7*

2) Name of Father/Mother if Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

3) How many persons are dependent upon your parents? \_\_\_\_\_

4) Give ages of brother(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Sister(s) \_\_\_\_\_

5) How many brothers \_\_\_\_\_ and/or sisters \_\_\_\_\_ are in college?

Name colleges \_\_\_\_\_

6) Do your parents own their own home? \_\_\_\_\_ Buying? \_\_\_\_\_ Renting? \_\_\_\_\_

7) Are your parents assisting you in paying for college? \_\_\_\_\_

### **All applicants must complete 8-15**

8) Are you receiving any student aid or financial assistance? \_\_\_\_\_

9) Are you currently receiving any other scholarships? If so, please give the amounts. \_\_\_\_\_

10) What work for pay have you done during the last year? \_\_\_\_\_

11) What work do you plan to do this coming summer? \_\_\_\_\_

12) If you are awarded this scholarship, how will the balance of your college expenses be financed? \_\_\_\_\_

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What NC college or university are you currently attending? \_\_\_\_\_

13) Do you have enough credits to qualify as a junior? \_\_\_\_\_

14) Why do you plan to become a teacher? \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you declared your major? \_\_\_\_\_

15) Attach a list of extracurricular activities, honors, community activities, and transcripts from the past three semesters.

## SIGNATURE OR PARENT/GUARDIAN'S ENDORSEMENT

I (name) \_\_\_\_\_ applicant or the parent/guardian of the above applicant for the GFWC-NC Greeson-Johnson Teaching Scholarship, hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge, and belief, the foregoing statements are complete and correct. I approve this application for a scholarship.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*Applicant must be present for judging.*