

2010 Ferguson Scholarship Application

STUDENT CHECKLIST

Please make sure you **carefully read ALL** eligibility criteria, instructions, and the “Frequently Asked Questions” document **prior to** completing your application and assembling your packet for submission. Applications that are incomplete or incorrectly submitted will be disqualified.

Use This Checklist to Compile Your Application Packet. Please submit one original **unstapled** complete application packet as detailed below. Please **do not bind** the application materials in any type of report folder. **Paper clip** the documents below **in the order listed** and mail to the Peninsula Community Foundation of Virginia, Inc. at the address below **in a 9” x 12” flat envelope**. This checklist does NOT need to be included with your submission.

If you file your Scholarship Application electronically, submit your original signature page by mail, along with the documents listed in the order below:

If you choose to apply by mailing a hard copy, submit your full original Scholarship Application Form FIRST in the packet, then include the documents listed in the order below:

- Personal Essay
- Character Paragraph
- Official transcript(s)** as described on page 1 under “General Information” of the Application Instructions and Frequently Asked Questions.
- High School students and FIRST SEMESTER college students:** A copy of the scoring report from most recent SAT and/or ACT tests, **OR** copy of college placement examination scores with explanation of scoring (this requirement is *waived* for post-secondary students who have completed at least one full semester of study with a minimum overall GPA of 2.75). *Make sure all social security numbers are crossed out and not legible.*
- A copy of the complete Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**) Report showing expected family contribution (EFC). (If there are special financial circumstances not covered by the FAFSA report, you may include an explanation on a separate 8½ x 10” sheet of plain paper.) *Make sure all social security numbers are crossed out and not legible.*

Please note: You do NOT have to have your 2009 taxes filed to do a preliminary FAFSA report!
- Two recent **letters of recommendation** (one must be from a teacher/counselor at your current school) as described on page 1 under “General Information” of the Application Instructions and Frequently Asked Questions.
- High school seniors:** – **letter of acceptance** from the educational institution you plan to attend (if available by the deadline; otherwise, forward as soon as available. No award will be given without confirmation of acceptance.
- Institution **financial aid award letter** from your post-secondary institution (if available by the deadline; otherwise, forward as soon as available. **IMPORTANT:** If you are selected as a recipient and later choose to attend a different school and/or receive financial aid that substantially changes your financial picture (costs vs. EFC & AGI), your scholarship award may be rescinded and awarded to another applicant.

Submit the above materials in order, unstapled in a 9” x 12” flat envelope to:

The Peninsula Community Foundation of Virginia, Inc.
ATTN: Scholarship Officer
11742 Jefferson Avenue, Suite 350
Newport News, VA 23606