Pat Bland Memorial Scholarship

The Pat Bland Memorial Scholarship provides financial assistance to a Magnolia High School graduating senior planning to attend a four-year West Virginia college to study education. The recipient must plan to become a teacher, administrator, or guidance counselor upon graduation.

Application Checklist

Application Deadline: February 17, 2021

Application Guidelines – Carefully read this page to ensure your application is complete. 
Please complete the application as presented. Do not include materials that are not requested.

Checklist:

- **Activities Form** – Please use the included form to provide information on Extracurricular Activities, Awards and Honors, Community and Volunteer Activities, and Work Experience. Do not attach resumes or other similar documents.

- **Letter of Recommendation** – Ask evaluator to complete form and return to you in a sealed envelope with evaluator’s signature. Include the recommendation with all other application materials. Parents, immediate family members or school counselors are NOT eligible to write the letter of recommendation.

- **Academic Certification Form** – Have appropriate school official complete form and return it with other application materials.

- **Personal Essay** – Please attach a personal essay.

Submit completed application by mail to CFOV – 1226 Chapline Street, Wheeling, WV 26003 – submissions must be received by February 17 to be considered.
Application: Pat Bland Memorial Scholarship

PERSONAL INFORMATION
Name: ____________________________________________________________

Permanent Address: _______________________________________________________________________________________
Street or PO Box          City          State          Zip
What county do you live in? ________________  U.S. Resident? □ Yes □ No
Date of Birth: ________/_______/_______  Telephone: ____________________________
Email: _____________________________

ACADEMIC INFORMATION
Name of high school: ______________________________________________________________
Name of school counselor: ____________________________________________________________

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION
Name of college/university (must be in West Virginia) in which you plan to enroll:
_________________________________________________________________________________
Name          City          State
Have you been accepted? □ Yes □ No
Will you be full-time (12 or more credit hours) this fall? □ Yes □ No
Anticipated major or area of study: _______________________________________________________

*This scholarship is for the benefit of students pursuing education, with the goal of being a teacher, counselor or administrator

Do you plan to live: □ on campus □ off campus □ commute □ unknown

If a West Virginia resident, do you meet the eligibility criteria for the WV Promise Scholarship?
□ Yes □ No
Activities Form

Please list extracurricular, community and personal activities in which you have participated during your high school experience. Include clubs, debate, school sports, student government, fine arts, volunteer work, youth programs, athletic programs, music, scouting, etc. If your involvement in any of the categories exceeds available space, please consider including those that make you most proud. DO NOT INCLUDE ATTACHMENTS.

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Recommendation Letter

Signed and sealed letter must accompany this application.

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Relationship: ____________________________

When selecting someone to complete your recommendation, select someone who will be thorough in
the review of your character. Select someone who knows you well and will be able to give a candid and
unbiased evaluation. Your recommendation must be completed by someone other than your parents,
 immediate family or school counselors.

The evaluator should also provide a brief statement as to why he or she thinks you are most deserving
of the scholarship, being mindful of the intention of this scholarship (those planning to pursue
 education, with the goal of becoming a teacher, guidance counselor or administrator)

Personal Essay

On a separate sheet of paper, please take the time to prepare a well-developed, well-written,
grammatically correct personal essay. The essay should be no more than two typed pages.

Remember, this scholarship is intended to benefit students entering his/her first year of college
planning to pursue education, with the goal of becoming a teacher, guidance counselor or
administrator. Your essay should describe your career goals and what/who inspired you.

In general, there is no “correct” way to develop and prepare this essay. In writing about something that
matters to you, you will convey a sense of yourself that will provide invaluable information during the
evaluation process.

I, the student, completed this application and certify that all information contained within is correct
and true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature ___________________________________________ Date __________________________
Letter of Recommendation Form

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To Evaluator: The applicant is applying for a scholarship with the Community Foundation for the Ohio Valley, Inc. Your evaluation is needed as part of the application process. The student has authorized you to release any information you feel would be helpful in reviewing his/her application. Your cooperation in providing this information is important to the selection of award recipients. To maintain confidentiality, please return this form and your letter to the student in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal. Your statement describing the applicant’s character, school, and community leadership abilities, potential to succeed, and evidence of the student’s strengths and weaknesses should not exceed one page.

Remember, this scholarship is for the benefit of a student entering his/her first year of college planning to pursue a career in education (teacher, counselor or administrator). Your letter should demonstrate your understanding of this scholarship’s intention and how the applicant reflects those intentions.

I am writing this evaluation on the behalf of ____________________________________________

Evaluator’s Name: ________________________________________________________________

Telephone Number: (______) _______ - ________

Relationship to applicant: __________________________________________________________

How long have you known the applicant? _____________________________

An evaluation received with a broken seal will be rejected. Please be sure to seal and sign the envelope and return to applicant in order that it may be included along with the application packet. Remember – parents, immediate family members and school counselors are not eligible to write the evaluation.
Academic Certification Form

This form replaces the need for a transcript and is to be completed by your counselor or other personnel authorized by the counselor.

Submit this form to your counselor for completion, be sure the reported information includes the first semester.

Student’s Name: ________________________________________________
School: _________________________________________________________

Current Class Rank: ________  Current Cumulative GPA: ____________

SAT Scores (single test date)             ACT Scores (single test date)
Date of Test: __________________________ Date of Test: __________________________
Verbal: ________________________________ English: __________________________
Math: _________________________________ Math: __________________________
Combined: _____________________________ Reading: __________________________

Person completing this form: __________________________________________
Title: __________________________________________________________________
Signature: _____________________________________________________________ Date: _____________