



FAIRFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH D9 MINISTRY

UNITED IN PURPOSE SCHOLARSHIP



2026

*Undergraduate
Scholarship Application*

*"How good and pleasant it is
when God's people live together in unity!"*

Psalm 133:1 (NIV)

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Scholarship. Service. Leadership. Legacy.

The Fairfield Baptist Church D9 Ministry is committed to supporting undergraduate students who exemplify academic excellence, servant leadership, Christian character, and a passion for serving others. This scholarship recognizes students who are using their education to positively impact their campus, church, and community while preparing for future success.

Scholarship Purpose

The United in Purpose Scholarship was established to encourage and support undergraduate students who demonstrate a commitment to:

- Academic Excellence
- Leadership
- Community Service
- Christian Character
- Personal Growth
- Lifelong Learning

Scholarship Award

Two scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$1,500 each. Recipients will be notified by Thursday, September 25th.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must meet **all** of the following criteria:

- Be a current undergraduate student enrolled full-time (minimum of 12 credit hours) at an accredited two-year or four-year college or university.
- Have successfully completed at least one semester of undergraduate coursework.
- Maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of **3.0** on a 4.0 scale.
- Be an active member of Fairfield Baptist Church **or** the child of an active Fairfield Baptist Church member for a minimum of one year.
- Demonstrate leadership through involvement in campus organizations, church ministries, employment, or community service.
- Be in good academic and disciplinary standing with their institution.

Required Application Packet

Applications will be considered complete only if all required documents are submitted by the deadline.

☐ **Completed Scholarship Application**

- Essay
- Leadership & Service Portfolio
- Recommendation Letter

☐ **Current College Transcript**

Submit an official or unofficial transcript showing:

- College or University Name
- Student Classification
- Current Enrollment
- Cumulative GPA

☐ **Resume**

Include the following information:

- Educational Background
- Leadership Positions
- Campus Involvement
- Church Involvement
- Community Service
- Employment History
- Honors and Awards
- Certifications and Special Skills

Essay Requirement (750–1,000 Words)

Essay Prompt

The Divine Nine organizations were founded upon the principles of scholarship, service, leadership, and community impact.

Describe a challenge you have overcome during your college journey and explain how your experiences have shaped you into a servant leader.

In your response, explain:

- How your faith or personal values have influenced your educational journey.
- How you have demonstrated leadership through service.
- Your educational and career aspirations.
- How you plan to use your education to positively impact your church, community, and future profession.

Essay Evaluation

Essays will be evaluated based on:

- Organization and Structure
- Writing Quality
- Authenticity
- Critical Thinking
- Leadership Potential
- Commitment to Service
- Vision for the Future

Leadership & Service Portfolio

Applicants must provide documentation demonstrating involvement in **at least three** of the following areas during the past twelve months.

<u>Area</u>	<u>Evidence Required</u>
Church Ministry	Letter from ministry leader verifying involvement
Community Service	Volunteer verification form or signed service log
Campus Organizations	Letter from advisor or organization president
Employment	Supervisor letter describing leadership and work ethic
Academic Achievement	Dean's List, Honors Program, Research, Certificates
Mentoring or Tutoring	Verification from school or organization

Recommendation Letter

Submit **one letter of recommendation** from one of the following individuals who can speak to your character, academic potential, leadership, service, and/or professional abilities. **Recommendations should be provided by any of the following but may not be the same individual or documentation submitted as part of the Leadership & Service Portfolio.**

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| • College Professor | • Pastor | • Community Leader |
| • Academic Advisor | • Ministry Leader | • Employer |

Submission Checklist

Before submitting your application, please ensure you have included:

- ☐ Completed Scholarship Application
- ☐ College Transcript
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Essay
- ☐ Leadership & Service Documentation
- ☐ Service Reflection
- ☐ Recommendation Letter

Submission Information

Application Deadline:

- Sunday, September 13, 2026, by 11:59 PM EST
- Applications received after the deadline **will not** be considered.

Submission Requirements:

- All required application materials and supporting documentation must be submitted as attachments in one complete email submission.

Submit All Application Materials Electronically To:

D9MINISTRY@FAIRFIELDBC.ORG