

The Edwin and Virginia Godbold Scholarship

Selma Dallas County Public Library Foundation

1103 Selma Avenue Selma, AL 36701

School Year 2024-2025

Criteria for Scholarships

1. Be a graduating high school senior-current year attending Selma City or Dallas County Schools..
2. Achieve an ACT score of at least 18
3. Be a resident of Selma/Dallas County
4. Have an intention to pursue college/graduate studies
5. Provide three recommendation letters. These can be your teachers, coaches, principals, church members or others who can speak to your leadership and community service.

Your application must be completed and turned in to your school counselor by **March 14, 2025**. Finalists will be interviewed in April at the library and the winning application awarded in April, 2025. Winners are required to be present to receive their award.

Part I Basic Information

Applicant Name _____

School Currently Attending _____ Are you in Dallas County or Selma City System? _____ Have you applied/or been accepted at any colleges? Please name three.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Your Anticipated Graduation Date _____

Email _____ Cell Phone _____

Student Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parents' Name _____

Parents' Address _____

_____ Phone _____

Parent email _____

Directions for Application Process

1. Complete the Basic Information portion above. Be sure that all details are correct.

2. Distribute the three reference forms to selected people who can comment honestly on your life. Ask them to send their completed application to the library by **March 14, 2025**. Give each of them an addressed envelope to return.
3. Answer the three questions on page 2 in essay form.
4. Type in Times New Roman font size 12 in essay form.
5. Type your name and school at the top of the essay page.

Completion Directions: Staple together Page 1 Information Form and your completed essay. Give these to your counselor.

Remember: Deadline for submission is **March 14,2025**

Essay Questions

These are the three essay questions. Your responses are very important as they will tell the selection committee about how you plan to use the scholarship funds. Points are assigned as to the importance of each.

Begin your essay with your name and school at the top right hand corner. Then answer these questions. You need not include the letter A, B, and C. Make this a continuous essay about you. The essay should be a minimum of 500 words with a maximum of no more than 800 words.

A. Write a short introduction about yourself. (25)

In a couple of paragraphs , give us information about your family, education and school, any work experience, community involvement, hobbies and activities or any other life experiences that will help us know you better.

B. In the next part of your essay tell us about your goals and life experiences in Selma
(30)

Share any opportunities that you have had to work to improve the quality of life in the Selma Dallas County community?

C. Read this last question carefully as you consider your answer.

It is the purpose of the Edwin and Virginia Scholarship to provide assistance to a student whose intent is to *give back to their community* and to *serve the needs of others*.

How will you use these funds to accomplish this goal? (30)

Great Job! Now follow Completion Directions on Page 1. All applications due to your counselor by **March 142025! Good luck!**