

NOLA MCENTIRE DAR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Nola McEntire joined General Macomb Chapter, NSDAR, October 15, 1994, and was an active member until her passing June 18, 2014. Nola was a graduate of **Western Illinois University** where she received her **bachelor's and master's degrees** and where she worked in food service for 17 years.

Nola was a fan of education and her husband LaVern "Mac," established a scholarship for local deserving students in honor of Nola — Mrs. Mac—through the General Macomb Chapter, NSDAR.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must...

- a. Have at least a 2.5 GPA cumulative GPA
- b. Be citizens of the United States
- c. Be McDonough County residents or have a DAR relationship**
- d. Attend or plan to attend an accredited school in the United States

Applicants in good standing may reapply each year.

**Note: DAR members' children, grandchildren, great grandchildren will have preference, regardless of location.

Please provide the following information for your DAR Scholarship application:

APPLICATION

Please submit a typed application form and an information in the following five categories.

1. **ESSAY**

Please type your essay single spaced **with no more than 8 printed lines in a paragraph.**

Write 2-3 brief paragraphs (no less than 150 words) for each section and **use these headings:**

a. **Professional Goals**

Describe the professional goals you would like to achieve in two to four years. If you are enrolling in a particular program, tell us why you have chosen this course of study. If you are enrolling in a general program, please tell us how this will help you meet your goals. (Note: The committee recognizes this may change while in school.)

b. **Choice of College/University/Trade School**

Please write about the college/university you have chosen for your education or training and why.

c. **Role Model**

Please describe one person who has served as a role model to you and explain why you chose them.

d. **Character/Integrity**

Write about an experience in your life that helped demonstrate your character/integrity. You may have had to decide between doing the easy thing and doing the right thing. Maybe you kept a commitment that you didn't want to. Help the selection committee learn more about you.

e. **Accomplishments (personal, professional, academic)**

Please describe **one** accomplishment (personal, professional, or academic) of which you are most proud and explain why. This section can be written about accomplishments in organizations/activities you have participated in, leadership positions you have held in organizations, or academic and other awards received.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS – Use the form provided**

At least two (but not more than four) recommendations must be submitted by the deadline.

- a. Individuals providing recommendations will complete a four-question form on your behalf. Recommendations should convey your ability, work habits, integrity, character, potential, and volunteer activities.
- b. Individuals providing recommendations may include teachers, counselors, instructors, employers, ministers, or personal or professional references (Please, no family members).

3. **EXTRACURRICULAR/VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES LIST**

A one-page listing (with your name at the top of the page) of your extra-curricular activities, honors received, scholastic achievements, volunteer service, and if applicable your work experience.

Be sure to highlight any volunteer or work experience that benefits veterans (Wounded Warrior Project, Veterans Homes, etc.) or supports patriotism (installing the Flags of Love in Chandler Park, volunteering for a 4th of July event).

4. **TRANSCRIPTS**

If you are a graduating high school student, include a copy of your high school transcript. If available, please indicate class rank, size, and test scores, if available.

Home-schooled students must include transcripts for grade nine through the current year. Please note, your name must appear on your transcript.

Please send your application and documentation in the four areas above **BY MARCH 31 to:**

General Macomb Chapter DAR
% Sarah Curtis, Regent
2735 E. 1200th St
Macomb, IL 61455

OR

rscurtis2@macomb.com

NOTE: Funds will be paid directly to the school of choice by the beginning of the semester.

Nola McEntire DAR Scholarship Application

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Preferred phone number _____ Email _____

High School _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Cumulative GPA _____ Weighted GPA _____ Class Rank _____

School of Choice

Name of College/University/Trade School _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Anticipated Start Date _____ Enrollment Status: Part Time Full Time

Parents/Guardians/Spouse's Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Preferred phone number _____ Email _____

OPTIONAL: Family member with a DAR Affiliation

Name of DAR member _____

Person's DAR Chapter Name _____ Years of Membership _____

Deadline to apply: March 31 of each year

Send to General Macomb Chapter DAR: Sarah Curtis, Regent
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Nola McEntire DAR Scholarship Recommendation Form

Recommenders:

In order to provide consistent evaluation of the applicants, **please type this form OR attach a separate document** answering the four questions below to write your letter of recommendation.

Name of Applicant _____

Name of Recommender _____

Title _____ Employer _____

Preferred phone number _____ Email _____

Please use this form and the answer the four prompts below to write your letter of recommendation.

1. Relationship:

How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?

2. Character/Integrity:

In what ways has the applicant demonstrated character/integrity?

3. Work Ethic:

In what ways has the applicant demonstrated a strong work ethic?

4. Volunteer Activities/Community Service:

In what activities or organizations has the applicant participated in?

Name of Recommender: _____

Signature of Recommender: _____

***Please return to the applicant or send your recommendation to:

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