

**Harris United Methodist Church  
The Christian Education Scholarship Program  
Application Form**

Email & DUE no later than: April 30, 2026 to: [harrisumc.scholarship.808@gmail.com](mailto:harrisumc.scholarship.808@gmail.com)

SUBJECT: Christian Education Scholarship Program

Please complete (legibly & clearly in black or otherwise):

Name of applicant	Age	Birthdate / /
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Mailing Address	City /State	Zipcode
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(h) Phone	(c)	Email
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High School	Mo./yr. high school diploma or GED received
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Name of Educational Institution currently attending	Current year in college (fresh.-Sr. undergrad. or graduate)
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Major	Degree anticipated	Expected graduation month/year
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Please list the names and information of those who have submitted letters of recommendation on applicant's behalf:

Name	email	Phone
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Name	email	Phone
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I have completed this application with the most updated information and to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant	Date
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**This completed application must be accompanied by the following (refer to PURPOSE & GUIDELINES for details) for full consideration. INCOMPLETE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED.**

1. Current or most recent academic transcript.
2. Two (2) letters of recommendation, one (1) of which is from the Senior Pastor or Associate Pastor appointed to your United Methodist Church.
3. One page personal statement indicating the following:
  - a. applicant's career plans & objectives,
  - b. current activities, contributions, past or present participation/involvements that help applicant in pursuing the career objectives.

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**The Christian Education Scholarship Program**  
**Purpose & Guidelines**

**Description & Purpose:**

The Christian Education Scholarship Program was created to provide financial aid to persons who are pursuing education beyond high school. The scholarship(s) are funded by the earnings from three (3) funds: The Onishi Christian Education Fund, the Tanabe Family, and the Kokame Benevolence Fund. The funds are managed by the Harris Foundation. The Spiritual Formation Ministries of Harris United Methodist Church manages the scholarship process by which these funds are disbursed. The number of scholarships and the amount awarded for each scholarship are dependent upon the dividends earned by the fund during the previous calendar year.

The scholarships are meant to help subsidize financial needs and are not intended to fund the entire cost of tuition. The scholarship program is open to persons who are accepted or enrolled at an approved/accredited institution. Recipient(s) will be selected based on the following eligibility requirements.

**Applicant Eligibility Requirements:**

1. Is a member/constituent of Harris United Methodist Church as indicated by a letter of recommendation from the respective Senior Pastor or Associate Pastor appointed to the church, or
2. Is a member/constituent of a Hawaii District United Methodist Church as indicated by a letter of recommendation from the respective Senior Pastor or Associate Pastor appointed to the Hawaii District UMC that applicant attends.
3. Has not previously received this scholarship. Persons who applied but did not receive the scholarship are eligible to re-apply.
4. Is currently enrolled or accepted at an accredited institution (as indicated by transcript submission).

**Procedures:**

1. Applications are available on the church website at the Spiritual Formation Ministries page: <https://harrisumc.org/spiritual-formation-ministries/>
2. The following must accompany the application for full consideration:
  - a. Current academic transcript. Be advised: Report cards are not transcripts.
  - b. Two (2) letters of recommendation, one (1) of which is from the Senior Pastor or Associate Pastor appointed to the Hawaii District United Methodist Church of which applicant is a member/constituent.
  - c. No longer than one (1) page personal statement indicating the following:
    - 1) applicant's career plans & objectives,
    - 2) current activities, contributions, past or present participation/involvements that help applicant in pursuing the career objectives.
3. Email by April 30, 2026 to: [harrisumc.scholarship.808@gmail.com](mailto:harrisumc.scholarship.808@gmail.com)
4. Applicant will be notified by email from the Scholarship Coordinator by May 15, 2026.