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Twenty Pearls Inc. (TPI)

Dr. Saundra Sellars Copeland Scholarship of Merit Graduate Applicant

Dr. Saundra Sellars Copeland Scholarship of Merit is awarded to an individual who will be enrolled full time in the **Master of School Administration (MSA) graduate program at Elizabeth City State University (ECSU) in the summer/fall of 2024**. The scholarship requirements are aligned with the mandates for the Council for the Accreditation for Teacher Preparation (CAEP). **The scholarship is for \$500.**

Eligibility

1. United States Citizen
2. Grade point average of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale from a college or university
3. Must hold a degree from an accredited college or university
- 4. Must hold an A licensure in teaching**
5. Meet all other ECSU graduate program admissions requirements for 2023 summer/fall enrollment (Letter of Admission must be included with the application)
6. Applicants must have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service or other extracurricular activities
- 7. Must have three years or more of teaching experience.**

Selection Criteria

Applicants will be selected as finalists based on their academic accomplishments, intellectual and creative distinctions, extracurricular activities, community service, letters of reference and original essay.

Application Deadline

The application must be typed and may be accessed at scholarships@twentypearlsinc.org. The application, together with ALL related documentation must be **submitted electronically with one email, no later than midnight, May 31, 2024 to scholarships@twentypearlsinc.org**. Please place your name on all materials submitted. Applications must have an original signature in blue or black ink.

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Documents to be Submitted

1. One copy, certified by the registrar or other recognized official, of the applicant's official college or university transcript. This document must be submitted as a portion of your completed application and sent to the scholarship chairman at scholarships@twentypearlsinc.org, **no later than May 31, 2024**.
2. A copy of your acceptance letter into the ECSU Master of School Administration (MSA) program for summer/fall, 2023.
3. One letter of recommendation (**no more than 1-page**) from an employer or colleague (Please no family members). Reference letter must address the following:
 - Referee's position or title
 - How long and in what capacity has the referee known the applicant
 - Describe the applicant's motivation and potential for academic success (be specific)
 - Describe the applicant's distinctive qualities or a unique characteristic that you have personally observed that makes the applicant particularly qualified to receive a TPI Scholarship.
4. Essay Topic: Discuss why you have chosen Elizabeth City State University, the purpose for you applying for the merit scholarship and why you are interested in completing the MSA program. In what way (s) has the COVID-19 pandemic affected your desire to remain in the field of teacher education? **The essay must be typed.** A minimum of 650 words is required.
5. Completed application.

I wish to be considered for the Dr. Saundra Sellars Copeland Scholarship of Merit (Graduate). **I will be enrolled in the Elizabeth City State University, Master of School Administration (MSA)** program in summer/fall 2024, and I have read and agree to all conditions stipulated for TPI Scholarship candidates. I have included in this electronic submission:

- Items 1., 2., 3., 4 and 5.

Signature (Required)

Mailing Address

Date

City, State, Zip Code

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STUDENT PROFILE

Last Name First Middle Initial

Address

City State Zip Code

Email Address

_____ Male _____ Female

_____ () _____
Home Phone

_____ () _____
Cell Phone

Date of Birth

College(s) Attended:

College Cumulative GPA: _____

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Field of Study: _____

Educational History

____ I am in the _____ year of study at _____ College/University.
My expected date of graduation is _____.

Current College or University

Begin Date

Cumulative GPA (4.00 Scale)

School and Professional Honors, Awards and Activities

Please list your important school or professional activities, dates of participation, awards, and offices held (include student government, sports, school publications, arts, debate and exchange programs, etc.)

Activity	Date	Awards	Office

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Public Service and Community Service Activities

Please list all public service and community service activities that you have voluntarily participated in without pay (Include projects with community organizations, environmental protection and conservation efforts, work with religious organizations, candy striping, etc.).

Activity	Date	Awards	Office

Completed Application Package (all required documents) MUST BE

SUBMITTED BY:

May 31, 2024

to:

scholarship chairman at scholarships@twentypearlsinc.org

Applications accepted must meet all the guidelines that are listed. Incomplete Application Packages will not be accepted.