



Couch Oil Cares Scholarship Program

2021 Application

Submission Deadline: Friday, May 28, 2021

Scholarship Presentation: Late July/Early August (Time & Place TBA)

Local government COVID-19 guidelines will be followed to create a safe and socially-distanced event.

Attendance by recipients is expected.

Name: _____

Address: _____ County of Residence: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____ Email: _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Evening Phone: (____) _____

Date of Birth: _____ Year of High School Graduation: _____

Name of High School: _____ Weighted GPA (9-12): _____

Intended College/Community College: _____

Intended Major: _____ Intended Minor (if applicable): _____

How did you hear about this scholarship? _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

Name(s): _____

Mobile Phone(s): _____

Home Phone(s): _____

Email(s): _____

By signing this application, you grant Couch Oil Company and the Durham Bulls Baseball Club permission to use your image in print and/or digital media.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____ **DATE:** _____



Section A. Selection Committee: Representatives from Couch Oil Company, the Durham Bulls Baseball Club, former scholarship recipients and other community leaders shall serve on the Couch Oil Cares Scholarship Selection Committee.

Section B. Application: Applications for the Couch Oil Cares Scholarship will be available online at www.couchoilcompany.com (Community Involvement section), www.DurhamBulls.com (Community section), and the Couch Oil Company Facebook page. Hardcopies are available upon request.

Section C. Eligibility: Applications for the scholarships shall be accepted from

- * Residents of **Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Durham, Franklin, Granville, Harnett, Johnston, Lee, Moore, Nash, Orange, Person, Vance, Wake, and Wilson** counties.
- * Those who have been accepted to and registered as **first-year college students for the 2021-2022 school year** (four-year or community college).
- * Those who are **no more than twenty-five (25) years of age** at the time of the scholarship presentation.

Section D. Scholarships Granted: Couch Oil Company will award six (6) scholarships of \$1,000 each for one year only. Scholarships will be paid directly to the school in one installment after proof of acceptance and registration is received.

Section E. Scholarship Presentation: Details about the scholarship presentation (late July/early August) are yet to be determined due to COVID-19 restrictions. Local government guidelines will be followed to create a safe and socially-distanced event. Attendance by recipients is expected.

Section F. Required Documents: To be eligible for the Couch Oil Cares Scholarship, an applicant must submit the following to the Selection Committee by **Friday, May 28, 2021:**

1. An application for the scholarship (including 2 essay questions)
2. A resume of significant honors, achievements and extracurricular activities in grades 9-12, including leadership experience
3. One letter of recommendation from a high school teacher/counselor/advisor (high school graduates must submit one letter from an employer or community leader)
4. Other supporting documents or letters that may enhance the application
5. An official high school transcript for grades 9-12
6. A letter of acceptance from the student's intended college/community college

Section G: Selection and Notification: Selection of recipients will take place in July 2021 with notification to follow by phone. (Finalists may be asked to participate in an interview with the Scholarship Selection Committee.) **Applicants who are not selected will be notified by email.**

Section H: DEADLINE: Completed applications (and supporting documents) must be emailed or postmarked no later than Friday, May 28, 2021.

EMAIL: scholarship@couchoilcompany.com OR **SEND to:** Couch Oil Cares Scholarship
Attn: Janice Couch Thompson
Box 369
Hillsborough, NC 27278



ESSAY QUESTIONS

(BOTH questions must be answered – use additional sheets as needed)

Essay #1: Answer the following:

- a) Describe the benefits of a college education in relation to your future goals.
- b) Why are you deserving of this scholarship?

Essay #2: Share some personal information about yourself. You may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a) What makes you unique?
- b) Life events or activities that have shaped you as a person.

THANK YOU FOR APPLYING FOR THE COUCH OIL CARES SCHOLARSHIP!