

2024 – LEXINGTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

By completing and submitting the application on pages 2 through 4, you will be eligible for 70+ primarily financial support scholarships awarded by the Lexington Scholarship Committee; if you meet the requirements, the Lexington Scholarship Committee will match a scholarship to your criteria. Please note that in order to be considered for the George O. Smith, Emily and Frank Smiddy or Phyllis E. Richardson Scholarships, certain additional criteria must be met (as detailed on page 5). If you apply, but are not accepted for these three specific scholarships, your application will be automatically considered for the other scholarships offered by the Lexington Scholarship Fund. You may re-apply for each undergraduate year (maximum of four years). **In order to be considered for these scholarships, applications and accompanying paperwork must be received at the address below by April 16, 2024. The Awards Ceremony will be June 4, 2024 at 7:30pm in Isaac Harris Cary Memorial Hall.**

General Requirements: To be considered for the general pool of 70+ Scholarships (including the George O. Smith, Emily and Frank Smiddy and Phyllis E. Richardson Scholarships), applicants must complete the following Lexington Scholarship Fund General Requirements:

General Requirements Checklist

- This application pages 2 through 4
- Parent(s) and student **2023 IRS form 1040** – please **XXXX** out all social security numbers
- Financial Aid Award letter from college
- For High School Seniors and Smiddy applicants – Counselor’s recommendation(s)
- Please provide a **brief** resume or summary of your work experience, extracurricular activities and any special awards or recognitions received from school or the community

RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ALL REQUIREMENTS BY APRIL 16, 2024

LEXINGTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND (LSF)

43 LOCUST AVENUE

LEXINGTON, MA 02421-5818

Questions: please email lexscholarshipfund@gmail.com

LEXINGTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

(Please fill in PDF, print and mail or please handwrite legibly and mail)

Applicant Information:

NAME: _____
last name *first name*

HOME ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ use an email you check daily-do not use LHS email

In addition to the 70+ scholarships offered through the Lexington Scholarship Fund (which you are automatically considered for upon the completion and timely submission of this application and accompanying paperwork), I would like to be considered for (please check all that apply):

- George O. Smith Scholarship (Physical Science)
- Emily and Frank Smiddy Scholarship (STEM)
- Phyllis E. Richardson Scholarship (Teaching, Nursing or STEM)

High School Seniors:

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDING: _____ YEAR OF GRADUATION: _____

COLLEGE I EXPECT TO ATTEND: _____

COLLEGE I MAY ATTEND: _____

College Students:

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED: _____ YEAR OF GRADUATION: _____

COLLEGE I EXPECT TO ATTEND: _____

COLLEGE I MAY ATTEND: _____

I AM A RISING (circle the appropriate year): Second Year Third Year Fourth Year

Most Recent GPA: ____ CURRENT AREA OF STUDY IN COLLEGE: _____

Please respond to items 1 and 2:

1) Please briefly explain why you are applying for this scholarship.

2) Please write 2-3 sentences telling us about yourself.

SECTION 2: TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT AND PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S) TOGETHER

A: COST TO ATTEND MY COLLEGE

** High School Seniors complete cost information for your 1st & 2nd school choices if not yet decided*

College Name*	_____	_____
Tuition	\$ _____	\$ _____
Room & Board	\$ _____	\$ _____
Fees	\$ _____	\$ _____
Books	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other (specify)	\$ _____	\$ _____
	(health insurance, travel, personal)	

A: TOTAL EXPENSES _____

B: RESOURCES

Form College listed above:

Grants & Scholarships	\$ _____	\$ _____
Financial Aid/Loans	\$ _____	\$ _____
Work Study	\$ _____	\$ _____
From Parents/Guardians	\$ _____	\$ _____
From Applicant	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other Resources (specify)	\$ _____	\$ _____

B: TOTAL RESOURCES \$ _____

C: DEFICIT (A minus B) \$ _____

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

SECTION 3: FINANCIAL INFORMATION (TO BE PROVIDED BY PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S))

	Father or Guardian	Mother or Guardian
Name:	_____	_____
Home Address:	_____	_____
	_____	_____
Employer	_____	_____
Occupation	_____	_____
Income, pre-tax	_____	_____

Tax appraisal of home _____ Unpaid Mortgage _____
Do you own a 2nd home? _____ If yes, value of 2nd home _____

Bank Accounts (*Do not include (401k)*)
Savings Balance \$ _____ Checking Balance \$ _____

Market Value of Stocks, Bonds & Other Assets (including rental property) \$ _____

Do you have a 529 account? _____ If yes, what is the dollar amount of the account? \$ _____

Expected college contribution from: Income \$ _____ From Assets \$ _____

List largest expenses, debt, loans: _____

List unusual family circumstances or previous major expenses which should be considered:

List other dependent children, including name(s), age(s), school(s) & grade & List other dependents:

Cumulative amount of money parents have borrowed toward college(s) or special education: \$ _____

INFORMATION IN THIS APPLICATION WILL BE CONFIDENTIAL. The foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge. I am unable to provide more funds than shown on page 3 of this statement and I request Scholarship aid.

Signature of parent(s) or guardian(s) _____ Date: _____

I have included in this application:

- 2023 IRS Form 1040 (Student) 2023 IRS Form 1040 (Parent(s)/Guardian(s))
- Financial Aid Award Letter
- Brief** summary: work experience, extracurricular activities, awards/recognitions & community service

George O. Smith, Emily and Frank Smiddy and Phyllis E. Richardson Scholarship Requirements

1. **George O. Smith Scholarship Requirements:** Students must major in a Physical Science* or Engineering AND your mother must have been a Lexington resident at the time of your birth. *A copy of the student's birth certificate is required for first time applicants.* If you apply, but are not accepted for the George O. Smith Scholarship, your application is automatically considered for the other scholarships offered by the Lexington Scholarship Fund.

*Physical Science: Chemistry, Physics, Earth Science, Astronomy, Geology, Meteorology, Oceanography.

In addition to the completion of the General Requirements Checklist listed above, the George O. Smith Scholarship requires the submission of:

- A copy of the student applicant's birth certificate (for first time applicants only)

2. **Emily and Frank Smiddy Scholarship Requirements:** Students must intend to study in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) fields upon entering their first year of college. This scholarship has a generous award (\$5,000) for a recipient's first year of undergraduate study and such amount increases over the next 3 years of undergraduate study. If an applicant is not accepted for the Emily & Frank Smiddy Scholarship, the applicant is automatically considered for the other scholarships offered by the Lexington Scholarship Fund. The Emily and Frank Smiddy Scholarship Applicant Agreement is on the following page.

In addition to the completion of the General Requirements Checklist listed above, the Emily and Frank Smiddy Scholarship requires the submission of:

- Student applicant's transcript with current GPA
- Two letters of reference from teachers, teacher assistants, guidance counselors or professors
- Student essay on your academic progress and career plans
- Completion and submission of the Applicant Agreement (on the next page of this packet)

***If awarded the Emily and Frank Smiddy Scholarship, the recipient will need to keep receipts and a log documenting how the award money was spent. ***

3. **Phyllis E. Richardson Scholarship Requirements:** Students must be a graduating senior of Lexington High School and have attended one of the Lexington Middle Schools. Students must be entering studies leading to a degree in teaching, nursing, or STEM. This scholarship will provide a preference to female applicants. Financial need does not need to be demonstrated in order to qualify for this scholarship.

- Student applicant's transcript with current GPA
- One letter of reference from a Lexington High School faculty member
- Provide a 500-word personal statement on the subject "Why I want a career in teaching, nursing or STEM."

The Phyllis E. Richardson Scholarship is intended to be renewable for up to 3 additional years for a recipient. To be eligible for renewal, the recipient must meet the following criteria:

- Submit to the Lexington Scholarship Committee a request for renewal letter and a transcript demonstrating a minimum GPA of 3.0 and course of study. (at the end of this packet)

**The Emily and Frank Smiddy Scholarship
Applicant Agreement**

The Emily and Frank Smiddy Scholarship was established in 2019 to benefit graduating seniors of Lexington High School and the Minuteman High School who are residents of Lexington at the time of their graduation, are interested in STEM studies at a college or university, and have demonstrated financial need.

Students in good academic standing may reapply for continued support throughout their undergraduate college career (not to exceed a total of four years) and may be awarded increased awards based on financial need and good academic standing.

The scholarship amount will begin at \$5,000 and will increase each year. By the fourth year, the scholarship award will be a significant amount.

To be considered for continued support, the applicant **MUST** also provide proof of use of funds for educational purposes. This is a condition of the scholarship and eligibility of future awards.

Therefore, by applying for the Emily and Frank Smiddy Scholarship you are agreeing to the following: To provide the Requirements for your application:

Parent(s) and Student **2023 IRS 1040**, Financial Award letter from college, Transcript with current GPA, two letters of reference from teachers, teacher assistants, guidance counselors or professors, Student essay on your academic progress and career plans, Receipts indicating the scholarship money was spent on education.

If you are selected for this scholarship, we agree to the following terms:

- To use the scholarship money towards education purpose only
- To provide receipts and additional appropriate documentation demonstrating that the scholarship money was used for educational purposes only. Appropriate documentation includes college/university bursar office statement for tuition and fees. Receipts for housing, books, supplies etc. are also accepted.
- Receipts and documentation of use of money **MUST** be submitted to the Lexington Scholarship Fund Committee. All documentation **MUST** be submitted on or before June 15, 2024. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

_____ I have read and understand the requirements and if selected as a recipient, agree to submit the required receipts and documentation of the use of the scholarship.

My most recent GPA is : ____

Print Name:
(applicant) _____

Signature
(required) _____ Date: _____

Print Name:
(parent/guardian) _____

Signature
(required) _____ Date: _____

LEXINGTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION
PHYLLIS E. RICHARDSON RENEWAL APPLICATION
FOR STUDENTS MAJORING IN TEACHING, NURSING OR STEM
(Please fill in PDF, print and mail or please handwrite legibly and mail)

Applicant Information:

NAME: _____ *last*
name *first name*

HOME ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ use an email you check daily

College Students:

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED: _____ YEAR GRADUATION _____

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATTENDED: _____

COLLEGE I ATTEND: _____

I AM A RISING (circle the appropriate year): Second Year Third Year Fourth Year

Most Recent GPA: _____

CURRENT AREA OF STUDY IN COLLEGE: _____

Please respond to items 1 and 2:

1) Please briefly explain why you are applying for this scholarship.

2) Please write 2-3 sentences telling us about yourself.

The Phyllis E. Richardson Scholarship is intended to be renewable for up to 3 additional years. (Maximum of 4 years) To be eligible for renewal, the recipient must meet the following criteria:

- Submit to the Lexington Scholarship Fund Committee this application and a transcript demonstrating a minimum GPA of 3.0 and course of study.