



TED FARRELL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP RULES & JUDGING GUIDELINES

A panel of judges will review each application. The panel will include the chairman of NAMB's education committee and other judges as assigned by the chairman. Judges do not have to be members of the education committee to participate on the panel. All judges will be NAMB members in good standing.

There are four components to the application for the Ted Farrell Memorial College Scholarship: the written application, an essay, a letter of recommendation, and a college acceptance letter or documentation of enrollment in a college/university. Letters of recommendation may not be supplied by a family member. Nor may the letter of recommendation be written by a person working at the same company as the parent/guardian of the student applying for a scholarship.

Each application will be reviewed for accurate completion of the application and essay. Applications will be judged as follows:

Application Evaluation: Up to four points may be awarded for the completeness and neatness of the application.

Essay Evaluation:

Response – Up to 18 Points

The essay will be evaluated to determine whether or not the three essay questions were answered.

Clarity – Up to 18 Points

Sentence structure should be clear and concise. The purpose of the essay is to demonstrate the ability to effectively draft written communications.

Research – Up to 18 Points

The writer should include evidence of research to support opinions stated in the essay. Citing research studies, expert opinions, or providing statistical data and/or references would provide acceptable evidence of research.

Grammar – Up to 18 Points

The essay will be evaluated for proper grammatical usage.

Creativity – Up to 18 Points

Judges will utilize a consistent evaluation approach to focus on the author's ability to interject their opinion using supporting research, to engage the judges' attention, and raise relevant issues.

Appearance – Up to 6 Points

The general appearance of the essay will be evaluated.