



**The Journey Scholarship**  
Supporting Our Youth  
On Their Road to Success

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Program Managed By:



**CHECKLIST of MANDATORY ITEMS for APPLICATION to be CONSIDERED:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Application (Do Not Staple)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Official Transcript & Test Scores from High School (Certified by Principal or Designee)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Score Report (Must include if you took test, example on Pg. 7)
- \_\_\_\_\_ ACT Score Report (Must include if you took test, example on Pg. 8)
- \_\_\_\_\_ School Activities
- \_\_\_\_\_ Community & Personal Activities
- \_\_\_\_\_ Work Experience
- \_\_\_\_\_ Essay
- \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Page of Application with:
  - Community Confirmation signed by Officer of Community from list provided
  - Applicant's signature and date
- \_\_\_\_\_ *First* Recommendation Letter
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Second* Recommendation Letter
- \_\_\_\_\_ Student Aid Report (w/EFC) (If not available at application submission, must be emailed to [terriwells@wnccommunities.org](mailto:terriwells@wnccommunities.org) by April 3.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ College Award Letter (If not available at submission time, must be emailed to [terriwells@wnccommunities.org](mailto:terriwells@wnccommunities.org) when received.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ PROVIDE all of the above only. Additional materials are discarded.

**CRITICAL INFORMATION:**

**DEADLINE:** Above items must be postmarked by Friday, March 20, 2020  
Applications lacking any of the above will not be accepted or considered.  
The Committee expects the applicant to complete the application, not  
the parent, guardian, teacher or guidance counselor.

**Submit completed application to:**

WNC Communities  
594 Brevard Road  
Asheville, NC 28806

[terriwells@wnccommunities.org](mailto:terriwells@wnccommunities.org)

# THE JOURNEY SCHOLARSHIP 2020 • FACT SHEET

**Retain this fact sheet for your files.**

The Journey Scholarship is available **only to youth in the communities that participate in the WNC Honors Awards.** If you do not live in one of the communities listed below or participate in the community center, you **will not be eligible.**

- Ashe County Communities: Peak Creek
- Buncombe County Communities: Avery's Creek, Big Ivy, Cane Creek, Fairview, Leicester, Newfound, Ox Creek, Rosscraggon Wood, Sandy Mush, Shiloh, Spring Mountain
- Cherokee County Communities: Cherokee County Indian Community Club, Grape Creek, Martins Creek, Peachtree, Unaka
- Clay County Community: Brasstown
- Graham County Community: Snowbird
- Haywood County Communities: Beaverdam, Bethel, Fine's Creek, North Hominy, Pigeon
- Henderson County Communities: Crab Creek, Edneyville, Mills River, Upper Hickory Nut Gorge
- Jackson County Communities: Big Y, Caney Fork, Glenville, Pumpkintown, Wolfstown
- Macon County Communities: Carson, Clark's Chapel, Cowee, Holly Springs, Nantahala, Otto, Upper Cartoogechaye
- Madison County Communities: Center, Greater Ivy, Laurel, Revere Rice Cove, Spring Creek, Upper Laurel, Walnut, Walnut Creek
- Mitchell County Communities: Tipton Hill
- Rutherford County Communities: Ellenboro, Gilkey School, Golden Valley, Union Mills, Whitehouse
- Swain County Communities: Big Cove, Tow String, Birdtown
- Transylvania County Communities: Balsam Grove, Cedar Mountain, Dunn's Rock, Lake Toxaway, Little River, Quebec
- Watauga County Communities: Deep Gap, Foscoe
- Eastern Band of Cherokee Communities: Big Cove, Big Y, Birdtown, Cherokee County Indian Community Club, Snowbird, Towstring, Wolfstown

## **ELIGIBILITY FOR JOURNEY SCHOLARSHIP:**

- **Applicant must live in one of the communities or participate in one of the community centers listed above.**
  - If **not**, you are **not** eligible to pursue this scholarship
- Applicants must have at least a **3.0 unweighted** grade point average to be considered
- Only high school students eligible to be admitted into college can apply for this scholarship
- Scholarships are for an accredited four or two year college program
- Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, creed, sex, ethnic background, handicap or origin

## **CRITERIA:**

- Good character
- Extracurricular activities
- Community service (outstanding contributions to school and community)
- Academic ability and achievement
- Financial need

## **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Applications are available from High School Guidance Office or Community Clubs listed above
- **Applicants only**, not parents, must complete all the items on the checklist on the first page of the application
- Application **must** be reviewed and verified by an officer from a Community Club listed above. If your application is not verified by a Community Club Officer from one of the communities listed above, your application **will not** be accepted. If applicants are not certain who to contact, email [terriwells@wnccommunities.org](mailto:terriwells@wnccommunities.org) to request this information. **Do not** wait until the deadline to make your request, it will not be acknowledged.
- **Deadline: Complete Application MUST be postmarked or emailed by Friday, March 20, 2020** to:

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[terriwells@wnccommunities.org](mailto:terriwells@wnccommunities.org)

**SELECTION & SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS:** The Journey Scholarship Committee is determined by the WNC Communities Executive Committee. Based on the stated criteria, the Journey Scholarship Committee will select recipients from completed applications. Students selected to receive scholarships will be notified by email after the selection meeting April 30. Most scholarships are available for only one year and are nonrenewable. Our Journey scholarship committee is considering offering the opportunity of a renewable scholarship to one of the selected students upon successful completion of their freshman year.

**PAYMENT OF AWARDS:** Payment of the scholarship will be made directly to the college at the beginning of the freshman year. Students who achieve full scholarships from another source are ineligible to receive this scholarship.

# THE JOURNEY SCHOLARSHIP 2020 • APPLICATION

**APPLICANT INFORMATION** (*Print legibly or type*):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last*
*First*
*Middle*
*“Goes By”*

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Community Name: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_  
*School Name*
*County*
*School Phone Number*

**OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT:** Provide this information from high school certified by Principal or designee AND fill out the following:

Class Ranking: \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ Students                      Unweighted GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

**TESTING SCORES:** Provide SAT Score Report and ACT Score Report, if you took both tests. *It is mandatory* to include a copy of the *actual* SAT and ACT student score report *and* complete the information requested below. Examples of the reports required are included at the end of this application. If you took the SAT more than once, indicate the highest section score obtained for each category.

Reading & Writing Section Score: \_\_\_\_\_ National Reading Percentile: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Test: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Math Section Score: \_\_\_\_\_ National Math Percentile: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Test: \_\_\_\_\_

IF using ACT Scores, please state ACT *composite* score here: \_\_\_\_\_

**FAMILY INFORMATION:**

Name of father/stepfather/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Does He live with you? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of mother/stepmother/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Does She live with you? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Check if Applicable:    \_\_\_ Father Deceased    \_\_\_ Mother Deceased    \_\_\_ Parents Divorced

List names and ages of brothers and sisters, and if attending college, indicate the institution:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>College</i>

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## COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY INFORMATION:

What major(s) would you like to pursue? \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the following information for your top three college choices:

1. School/City/State: \_\_\_\_\_  
Admission Status:  Application Pending     Enrollment Offered     Enrollment Offer Accepted

2. School/City/State: \_\_\_\_\_  
Admission Status:  Application Pending     Enrollment Offered     Enrollment Offer Accepted

3. School/City/State: \_\_\_\_\_  
Admission Status:  Application Pending     Enrollment Offered     Enrollment Offer Accepted

What other scholarships or grants have you applied for? \_\_\_\_\_

## INCLUDE RESPONSES TO THE FOLLOWING WITH APPLICATION

### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (*single-line spaced*):

List extracurricular activities in which you have participated during the past four years including clubs, sports, student government, fine arts, etc. In addition, include any leadership positions, letters earned, awards or recognition you may have received.

### COMMUNITY & PERSONAL ACTIVITIES (*single-line spaced*):

List community, faith-based, and personal activities in which you have participated during the past four years. Include volunteer work, youth programs, athletic programs, music, dance, scouting, 4-H, or hobbies to which you have devoted time. In addition, include any leadership positions, awards or recognition you may have received through these activities.

### WORK EXPERIENCE (*single-line spaced*):

List any work experience (including self-employment) you have had during the past four years. Include summer jobs as well as employment during the school year and be specific in the nature of your duties. Complete this information beginning with your most recent work experience. Be sure to indicate the name of your employer, the position you held, dates of employment and the number of hours a week worked.

### ESSAY OR SELF ASSESSMENT (*single-line spaced*):

It is necessary to include an essay that is 500 words or less to complete this application. The essay should explain your college degree interest, including how you developed this interest and what profession you may wish to pursue. **Please indicate why you are financially in need and what you have done personally to help out in this area.** Any other facts about yourself that you would like to share may also be included.

## THE JOURNEY SCHOLARSHIP 2020 • SIGNATURE PAGE

### PAT BRINKLEY SHULIMSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

An additional scholarship opportunity will be awarded to one of the Journey Scholarship Recipients. The Pat Brinkley Shulimson Memorial Scholarship is named after a former leader and champion of WNC Communities. This award is designed to reflect her passion of rewarding youth on their journey to a higher education and will be given to *one* of the Journey Scholars that exhibits exceptional leadership qualities. The documentation for the recipient's leadership skills must be included in the recommendation letters citing specific incidents of leadership. This award will be determined from the recommendation letters reflecting specific leadership qualities.

### OTHER AWARDS

Students who achieve **full** scholarships from another source are ineligible to receive the Journey Scholarship.

### COMMUNITY CONFIRMATION

It is necessary to have the completed application reviewed and this statement signed by a Community Club Officer (president/chair, vice president/vice chair, treasurer, secretary) from one of the community clubs listed on the fact sheet of this application. Email [terriwells@wnccommunities.org](mailto:terriwells@wnccommunities.org) if you are uncertain who to contact for confirmation.

This is to verify the applicant is part of \_\_\_\_\_ Community and I am honored to be able to confirm him/her for the Journey Scholarship Program.

Community Officer Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Community Officer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### CERTIFICATION BY STUDENT

In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship made. I also certify that I have read the instructions and will comply with all requests for grade reports, transcripts and change in plans, should I receive a scholarship.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return complete application **postmarked or emailed by Friday, March 20, 2020 to:**

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**Questions:** *Before* the application postmark date can be directed to: [terriwells@wnccommunities.org](mailto:terriwells@wnccommunities.org)

## THE JOURNEY SCHOLARSHIP 2020 • RECOMMENDATIONS

### TO THE APPLICANT:

Recommendations *are required* from *two* high school teachers, who are in a position to evaluate the relative importance of your achievements and potential, to support your scholarship application. While not required, you are welcome to add a third letter from a person who is able to assess the importance of your community activities. Include recommendation letters with your application and postmark by **March 20, 2020**.

**COPY the instructions below to share with the teachers completing recommendation letters.**

### INSTRUCTIONS TO THE TEACHER COMPLETING THE RECOMMENDATION LETTER:

The applicant is applying for a scholarship and is requesting that you provide the Journey Scholarship Committee with specific information in support of this application. The Committee will already have the formal copy of the academic and extracurricular activities of the applicant within the application. *Therefore, it is critical to provide* information that is not already included in the applicant's personal essay, academic performance and extracurricular activities. In your letter of recommendation, please comment on the following:

- Include the first and last name of the applicant
- Direct the letter to the Journey Scholarship Committee, not another scholarship committee
- Your relationship to the applicant, including how long and in what capacity you have known him/her
- Please describe specific situations that *you have personally observed* that indicate how this applicant has distinguished himself/herself from the norm
- Any additional information that you feel would help the Committee become better acquainted with the applicant
- Your name, signature, the date, and a telephone number where you can be reached should the Committee have questions

Please give the letter to the applicant to include with the application. If you prefer the letter remain confidential, provide the letter in a sealed envelope to the applicant. Please be sure to provide the letter to the applicant to include in the package before the application postmark date of March 20, 2020.

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Thank you for taking the time to help us get to know the applicant through your recommendation letter.

**Questions?** Please submit before the application postmark date to: [terriwells@wnccommunities.org](mailto:terriwells@wnccommunities.org)

# THE JOURNEY SCHOLARSHIP • SAT REPORT EXAMPLE



# SAT<sup>®</sup>

## Score Report

Example

Test Date: **Nov. 05, 2016**  
 Registration Number: **0052381980**

Sex: **FEMALE**  
 Date of Birth: **Dec. 06, 1998**  
 Test Center Number: **34810**  
 High School Code: **340565**  
 High School Name: **High School**

### Your Total Score

**1270** | 400 to 1600

**88th** Nationally Representative Sample Percentile  
**82nd** SAT User Percentile — National

### Section Scores

**700** | 200 to 800  
 Your Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Score

**97th** Nationally Representative Sample Percentile  
**94th** SAT User Percentile — National



**570** | 200 to 800  
 Your Math Score

**73rd** Nationally Representative Sample Percentile  
**64th** SAT User Percentile — National



### Test Scores

**36** | 10 to 40  
 Reading

**34** | 10 to 40  
 Writing and Language

**28.5** | 10 to 40  
 Math

### Cross-Test Scores | 10 to 40

**36**  
 Analysis in History/Social Studies

**32**  
 Analysis in Science

### Subscores | 1 to 15

**11**  
 Command of Evidence

**14**  
 Words in Context

**12**  
 Expression of Ideas

**14**  
 Standard English Conventions

**9**  
 Heart of Algebra

**11**  
 Problem Solving and Data Analysis

**9**  
 Passport to Advanced Math

### Online Score Report

Go online to get more details about your performance, including areas of strength, and check out the action steps in Skills Insight to help you boost your college readiness.

### How Did I Score Compared to Others?

A percentile is a number between 1 and 99 that shows how your score ranks compared to other students. It represents the percentage of students whose scores are equal to or below yours. For example, if your Math score percentile is 57 that means 57 percent of test-takers have Math scores equal to or below yours.

You'll see two percentiles:

The **Nationally Representative Sample Percentile** shows how your score compares to the scores of all U.S. students in your grade, including those who don't typically take the test.

**SAT<sup>®</sup> User Percentile — National** shows how your score compares to the scores of students who typically take the test.

### Will My Scores Change and Why?

Tests are not exact measures, and many factors can affect your score. After all, no two days are the same, and if you took the SAT once a week for a month your scores would change.

That's why it helps to think of your true score as a range from a few points below to a few points above the score earned. Score ranges show how your score can change with repeated testing, assuming your skill level remains the same.

Usually, scores for Evidence-Based Reading and Writing and for Math fall in a range of roughly 30 to 40 points above or below your reported score.

**Total:** Your score ± 40 points.

**Section:** Your score ± 30 points.

**Test Scores and Cross-Test Scores:** Your score ± 2 points.

**Subscores:** Your score ± 2 points.

### Am I on Track to Be Ready for College?

You'll see a benchmark score for each section of the SAT. Benchmarks show your college readiness. The Evidence-Based Reading and Writing benchmark is 480 while the Math benchmark is 520. This means if you score at or above the benchmark, you're on track to be ready for college when you graduate high school. If you score below the benchmark, you can still get back on track by focusing on areas where you didn't perform well. Use the detailed feedback in your online score report to see which skills you need to work on most.

Get your full report online [studentscores.collegeboard.org](http://studentscores.collegeboard.org)

# THE JOURNEY SCHOLARSHIP • ACT REPORT EXAMPLE

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## The ACT® Plus Writing Student Report



STUDENT'S NAME:  
HIGH SCHOOL NAME:  
HIGH SCHOOL CODE:

ACT ID:  
SSN: NOT PROVIDED  
TEST DATE & LOCATION: MAR 2013 STATE

### Your ACT Scores

Rank: Approximate percent of ACT-tested students at or below your score

	In Your State	In the U.S.	1%	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%	99%
<b>Composite Score</b> <b>21</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>55%</b>							
<b>ENGLISH</b> 19*		43%							
Usage/Mechanics 09		44%							
Rhetorical Skills 10		48%							
<b>MATHEMATICS</b> 21		55%							
Pre-Algebra/Elem. Algebra 08		32%							
Algebra/Coord. Geometry 12		72%							
Plane Geometry/Trig. 11		62%							
<b>READING</b> 24*		71%							
Social Studies/Sciences 15		87%							
Arts/Literature 10		48%							
<b>SCIENCE</b> 20		47%							
<b>COMBINED ENGLISH/Writing</b> 20		47%							
Writing (score range 2 to 12) 08		87%							

- ACT® test scores and the Composite score range from 1 to 36; subscores range from 1 to 18.
- Your Composite score is the average of your scores on the four subject area tests. Subscores do not necessarily add up to your score for a subject area test.
- Your ranks tell you the approximate percentages of recent high school graduates in the U.S. and your state who took the ACT and received scores that are the same as or lower than yours. A rank of 70, for example, means that 70% of students received scores that are the same as or lower than your score.
- Your test scores are only estimates, not precise measures, of your educational development. You will find more information about interpreting your scores in the booklet provided with this report and at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

The Combined English/Writing score ranges from 1 to 36 and is a combined measure of the Writing and English tests. The Writing score ranges from 2 to 12. Your ranks for these two scores are based on recent ACT-tested students who took the Writing test.

**COMMENTS ON YOUR ESSAY:** YOUR ESSAY ADEQUATELY SUPPORTED GENERAL STATEMENTS WITH SPECIFIC REASONS, EXAMPLES, AND DETAILS. THE ORGANIZATION OF YOUR ESSAY WAS ADEQUATE, BUT THE RIGID STRUCTURE SEEMED TO LIMIT DISCUSSION.



Looking for more information about your individual strengths and test preparation? Go to [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

\*Your College Readiness: If your scores are at or above the following ACT benchmark scores, you will likely be ready for first-year college courses—English 18, Mathematics 22, Reading 21, Science 24.

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### Your College Reports

At your direction, your scores from this test date are being reported to the colleges shown below. College planning information is provided for the first four choices you listed when you registered or tested. (Fifth and sixth choices, if any, appear just above your first choice.) Your GPA was calculated from the grades you reported. To view additional college planning information or to send additional reports, visit [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

College Name and Code		What is the profile of enrolled 1st-year students at this college?			Is the program of study you prefer offered?	What are the approximate annual tuition and fees?*		What percent of 1st-year students receive financial aid based on:	
		High School Class Rank	ACT Composite Score	High School Grade Point Average		In-state	Out-of-state	Need?	Merit?
NORTH CAROLINA ST U RALEIGH NC 919/515-2434 <a href="http://www.ncsu.edu">www.ncsu.edu</a>	3164	Majority in top 25%	Middle 50% between 22-27	3.57	Yes: 4-Yr. Degree	\$7,000	\$19,900	52%	3%
UNC AT CHAPEL HILL CHAPEL HILL NC 919/966-3621 <a href="http://www.unc.edu/">www.unc.edu/</a>	3162	Majority in top 10%	Middle 50% between 27-32	4.00	--	\$7,000	\$26,800	38%	18%
UNC AT CHARLOTTE CHARLOTTE NC 704/687-3671 <a href="http://www.uncc.edu/">www.uncc.edu/</a>	3163	Majority in top 25%	Middle 50% between 19-29	3.66	Yes: 4-Yr. Degree	\$5,400	\$17,200	57%	1%
UNC AT ASHEVILLE ASHEVILLE NC 828/251-6480 <a href="http://www.unca.edu">www.unca.edu</a>	3064	Majority in top 25%	Middle 50% between 24-28	3.99	--	\$5,400	\$19,000	56%	4%

### Your Information

Your Class Rank: **TOP 25%**    Your Composite Score: **21**    Your Calculated GPA: **4.00**    Your Selected Major: **CIVIL ENGINEERING**

Check with colleges for recent changes in information.

A dash (—) indicates information was not provided or could not be calculated.

\*Comprehensive fee including room and board.

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