



2009 Educational Grant Application

Objective

To award a one-time grant to a student attending a community or technical college or university. Applicant must be the spouse of an active-duty Soldier stationed at one of the following U.S. Army installations at the time of application due date:

- Fort Meade, Maryland
- Fort Bragg, North Carolina
- Fort Polk, Louisiana
- Fort Rucker, Alabama
- Fort Riley, Kansas
- Fort Sill, Oklahoma

Grant

The *Our Family for Families First* Educational Grant is a one-time, \$5,000 grant that is awarded based on the following criteria:

- Academic performance
- Financial need
- Community Involvement
- Plan for use of educational grant

Requirements

Applicants should be able to provide written documentation/explanation of his or her performance in each of the following areas:

1. Current educational status (high school graduate, some college, 2-year college graduate, 4-year college graduate, graduate school)
2. Explanation of degree or educational program being or to be pursued, proof of academic performance in educational program, and demonstrated enrollment in or acceptance to educational program
3. Demonstrated participation in extra-curricular activities, including community service, involvement in civic or other local organizations, etc.
4. Provide three required academic and/or community letters of recommendation on official letterhead (from teachers, mentors, activity coordinators, volunteer coordinators, etc.). Please do not submit recommendation letters from anyone affiliated with Picerne Military Housing – these letters will not be considered.
5. Applicants requesting consideration for financial need must demonstrate financial need for support. Please supply a copy of most recently completed annual tax returns. [Note: Although specific financial need requirements are not required to be considered for this grant, applicants that demonstrate a clear financial need will receive special consideration in the evaluation of scholarship applications.]



Written Statement

In addition to completing the application included in this package, each applicant must include a 1000-word written statement of intent. This statement should summarize the applicant's:

- Educational goals and explanation of degree or educational program being or to be pursued;
- Intended use for the grant funds if awarded;
- Involvement in extra-curricular and community activities; and
- Financial need, if applicable.

Additional Written Statement for Graduate Students

Our Family for Families First is dedicated to providing educational grants to those who demonstrate a connection between a need for continued education and a relationship to how our grant will enable them to reach their career goals. The majority of our grants are awarded to students pursuing undergraduate studies, however the Foundation also understands the importance of graduate studies.

Applicants planning to use educational grant funds toward a graduate program must include an additional 100-word statement which demonstrates the importance of graduate studies and how these studies apply to their future career goals.

Submittal Requirements

Applicants must submit the following items within the stipulated page limits in order to be considered for the *Our Family for Families First* grant:

- Application Form (1 page)
- Copy of Identification and Privilege Card (1 page)
- Copy of most current orders for active-duty spouse (page amount as needed)
- Proof of financial need, if applicable (up to 10 pages, as determined appropriate by applicant, e.g., tax returns, college tuition bills, etc.)
- Letters of recommendation (3 pages)
- Written statement (2 pages, typed, single-spaced)
- Additional written statement for graduate students (if applicable, 1 page)
- Confirmation of attendance to or application to community, technical, or four-year college (1 page), (if applicable, include class schedule, transcripts, etc.)

One full copy of the application should be submitted by mail (no electronic submissions will be accepted) to:

Grant Applications
Our Family for Families First
c/o Picerne Military Housing
6946 Post Road, Suite 300
North Kingstown, RI 02852

Submissions must be postmarked by May 29, 2009. *Our Family for Families First* is not responsible for lost applications. Applicants are encouraged to submit applications with receipt confirmation. Grant recipients will be notified no later than June 30, 2009.



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Application must be typed or clearly hand-written for submission

Applicant Name:	
Address (mailing address, city, state, zip):	
Home Phone No.:	
Cell Phone No. (if applicable):	
Email:	
Date of Birth:	
Highest Level of Education:	High School Some College 2-Year College Graduate 4-Year College Graduate
Name and Rank of Active-Duty Spouse:	
Relationship:	Husband Wife
Permanent Duty Station Spouse Assigned to:	
Are you, or have you ever been, an active-duty Soldier?	Yes No If yes, please list dates of service: _____
Are you currently or have you even been an employee of Picerne Military Housing?	Yes No If yes, please list name and dates of employment: _____
Name of College/Program Attending/To Be Attended:	
Address:	
Area of Study/Degree Pursued:	
Current Status of Education Program (GPA, credits completed, etc.)	Cumulative GPA: _____ Credits Completed: _____ Credits Needed to Graduate: _____ Have not yet begun
For which level of education/studies will this grant be applied?	Technical/Community College College/University Undergraduate Graduate
If applicable, please list documents included showing financial need:	
Applicant Signature:	Date: