



Justin O'Connor Memorial Fund Scholarship at Eastern Carolina Community Foundation

PO Box 1615 – Florence, SC 29503 – info@easterncarolinacf.org

Application Deadline: Monday, April 9, 2018

We invite you to apply for the inaugural Justin O'Connor Memorial Fund Scholarship. 2 awards of \$1,000 each will be given. An **academic award** will be for achievement based on the qualities of Justin who is remembered for his outgoing nature, love of working in groups, and great sense of humor. He was well liked by all groups of people, funny, athletic and always had a smile on his face! He was also a diligent student and fantastic guitarist. An **athletic award** will be given to a student athlete who has been accepted to a 4-year college or university to play a specific sport.

Justin O'Connor was a loving son and caring brother. He was only 17 years old, a generous friend and gifted athlete whose joy and love for life were contagious. Justin was entering his senior year of high school with a dream of playing college baseball. That dream ended on an early morning in July 2017 because of distracted driving. Now his dreams can become yours.

Qualifications: The applicant must:

1. Reside in one of the following Pee Dee counties: Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Marion, Marlboro, or Williamsburg.
2. Be accepted to an accredited 4-year college or university.
3. Maintain a GPA of at least 2.5 or better.

Process:

1. The applicant must return an application to Eastern Carolina Community Foundation, PO Box 1615, Florence, SC 29503 by **Monday, April 9, 2018** along with:
 - A personal statement telling why receiving this scholarship is important to your education and future with details about your honors and achievements, extracurricular activities, interests and community involvement. Address your experience with distracted driving.
 - Provide a copy of your most recent official transcript of grades.
 - Provide proof of acceptance to a 4-year college or university.
 - Provide at least two letters of reference from school officials that are not family members.
2. The applicant must return all requested information to receive consideration for the scholarship.
3. The scholarship grant is for tuition expenses and will be paid directly to the institution where the student plans to attend, not to an individual.

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Applicant Data**

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Mobile Telephone: _____

Present Address: _____
Number and Street City, State & Zip code

Permanent Address: _____
Number and Street City, State & Zip Code

Parent or Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____
Number and Street City, State & Zip Code

Date of Graduation from High School _____

Name of Institution of Higher Education you plan and have been accepted to attend:

School Number & Street City, State & Zip Code

References

List two references below and provide a completed reference form for each of the persons listed with your completed application by the defined deadline. Do not list names for references of any persons who are related to you in any manner.

Name: _____

Name: _____

Certification

I authorize investigation of all statements contained in this application. I understand that misrepresentation of any information may prevent me from consideration in receiving this scholarship.

Signature of Applicant

Date of Application

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Personal Statement

Please check which scholarship you are applying for:

 Academic **Athletic**

In your own words, state why you are seeking this scholarship and how it will benefit your pursuit of education. Please include information about your honors and achievements, extracurricular activities, interests and community involvement. Address your experience with distracted driving.

Signature

Date

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Reference Form

I, _____, am applying for a **Justin O'Connor Memorial Fund Scholarship at Eastern Carolina Community Foundation**. I authorize you to provide the Foundation with requested information about me.

Applicant's Signature

Date

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1. How long have you known the applicant? _____
 2. What is your relationship to the applicant? _____
 3. Please describe the characteristics that you have observed in the applicant that would help him/her be successful as he/she pursues higher education.

4. Additional comments:

Signature

Date