



MarCIA Courage Scholarship

The MarCIA Courage Scholarship will be awarded annually to a student who has been touched by cancer in some way, is pursuing higher education, is active in their community and shows high academic achievement. MarCIA Courage in Action will award two \$1000.00 scholarships each year to seniors in high school or freshmen in college who meet the requirements below.

MarCIA urges all graduating high school seniors or freshman in college who are planning to or who are furthering their education, and who meet the criteria for this scholarship to apply by **May 1st** each year. Applications are available on-line at <https://marciacourageinaction.org/courage-scholarships>.

Every eligible applicant will be given the utmost consideration. All decisions on scholarship selection by the MarCIA Courage Scholarship Committee shall be final.

Eligibility Criteria

All applicants must have been touched by cancer in some way.

Applicants must be a graduating high school senior or freshman in College, technical or vocational school.

Applicants must be planning to attend a two-year or four-year college, technical, or vocational school in the fall following graduation. The award will be paid directly to the recipient.

Selection Criteria

The MarCIA Scholarship Committee will consider the following:

- The applicant's story describing how they were touched by cancer
- The applicant's response to the MarCIA Courage Scholarship essay
- Volunteer service hours earned and participation in extracurricular activities
- The academic performance of the applicant

The following must be received by May 1st as one packet. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

- **Completed Application**
- **Short Essay**

Short Essay

Tell us about how you were touched by cancer and how you feel it changed your perspective on life and others touched by cancer.

Please type your response on a separate sheet of paper.

Submit essay and completed application to: scholarship@marciacourageinaction.org

Scholarship winners will be notified by May 31st via US Mail, email or an in-person presentation. Thank you for applying for the MarCIA Courage Scholarship.

MarCIA Courage Scholarship Application

Information provided in this application will be used confidentially by the MarCIA Courage Scholarship Committee only. Falsifying information will justify the committee withdrawing the applicant from consideration. Please print or type clearly. A separate typed response can be submitted to complete questions.

Date of Application: _____

Applicants Name: _____
Print First, Middle, Last

Applicants Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Month/Day/Year

Names of Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

Signature of Applicant: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

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Background/History:

High School Attending/Attended: _____

Teacher/Professor Names for References (at least 2 - Please indicate your relationship):

Academic Background/Non-Athletic Activities:

GPA: _____ (weighted) _____ (non-weighted)

SAT Scores (if available): Composite: _____ Best Verbal: _____ Best Math: _____ Writing: _____

ACT Scores (if available): Composite: _____ Verbal: _____ Math: _____

Service-Learning Hours Completed as of May 1st (of application year): _____

List clubs, social and extracurricular activities, and any positions held during grades 9-12. (**Attach additional pages if necessary**).

Please provide a description of any volunteer activities. Include a description of the activity, the organization for which you volunteered and the dates you volunteered.

What are your current interests? _____

Intended College Major: _____

What is your educational/vocational/technical goal or career (post high school)?

College or institution you will be attending in the fall.
(If decision has not been made, please list the colleges or institutions where you have applied.)

Please attach copies of report cards, SAT/ACT scores (if available), letters of recommendations from teachers and coaches.

Any other relevant information to help the committee evaluate your application is recommended. Use of additional sheets of paper is encouraged.

**Submit to: MarCIA Courage Scholarship Committee:
scholarship@marciacourageinaction.org**

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