

**BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL**  
**GRANTS-IN-AID AND TUITION ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIPS**  
**OBJECTIVES AND GUIDELINES**

These are the guidelines for the Christian high school grants-in-aid tuition assistance and the Lutheran college/seminary scholarship awards. Effective as of January 1, 2017

**OBJECTIVES**

Bethlehem Lutheran Church and School strive that as many people as possible experience fullness of life in Christ. In an effort to fulfill the great commission of making disciples, we encourage young men and women to consider preparing for professional church work. To this end, the Grants-In-Aid Scholarship Team has instituted both Christian high school and Lutheran college/seminary student assistance programs.

Applications for these programs will be received and reviewed, under the direction of the Discipleship Vision Implementation Team. This team will award the grants and scholarships to deserving students based upon the guidelines listed below.

The Grants-In-Aid Scholarship Team will consist of one member of the Discipleship Vision Implementation Team and at least two members of the congregation-at-large, to be selected and approved by the Discipleship Vision Implementation Team. Members shall serve one-year terms and shall be eligible for reappointment.

**GUIDELINES (CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL)**

1. Only members of Bethlehem are eligible to apply.
2. All applicants must first apply to the Christian high school of their preferred attendance for assistance, and be awarded assistance before they are eligible for additional assistance from Bethlehem.
3. Eligible families shall submit an application to the Grants-In-Aid Scholarship Team, together with any additional information requested. Personal interviews may be requested.
4. Checks for grants shall not be made payable to students, but shall be paid directly to the appropriate Christian high school business office.
5. Any student who discontinues his/her studies before courses are completed shall be expected to repay the grant made by the congregation.
6. The applicant shall re-apply each year that aid is requested and supply evidence of acceptable academic achievement.

## **GUIDELINES (COLLEGE/SEMINARY)**

1. Only members of Bethlehem are eligible to apply.
2. All Church professional students who meet regular admission standards of synod's colleges and seminaries shall be considered eligible for congregational aid. Those Church professional students attending non-synodical colleges will be considered on an individual basis.
3. An application requesting the scholarship grant must be made by the student, and shall be reviewed by the Grants-In-Aid Scholarship Team. Personal interviews may be requested.
4. Checks for scholarships shall not be made payable to students, but shall be paid directly to the appropriate college or seminary business office.
5. Any student who discontinues his/her studies before courses are completed shall be expected to repay the scholarship made by the congregation.
6. The congregation may expect and request the college or seminary to make a regular report on the standing and prospects of every individual who is receiving the congregation's scholarship.
7. The applicant shall re-apply each year that a scholarship is requested and supply evidence of acceptable academic achievement.