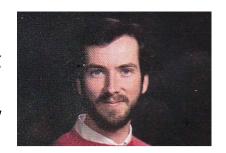


## Richard A. Swartz Scholarship Fund



The Fund was established in 1994 by Donald and Mildred Swartz in memory of their son, Richard A Swartz.

## Guidelines for Administration of the Swartz Scholarship Fund

- 1. The administration of this Fund shall be performed by the Committee of the St. Luke Fund. The St. Luke Fund Committee may, in its discretion, delegate to a committee of three persons, all being voting members of St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church and whose identities shall be known only to the membership of the St. Luke Fund Committee, the power to make decisions concerning eligibility for grants and the amount of grants.
- 2. The availability of grants shall be limited to voting members of St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church, Williamsport, PA who have been voting members for at least three years before submitting applications for grants.
- 3. Grants from the Swartz Fund are made available to students who declare their intention to seek a four year degree that will prepare them for a church vocation, a career in teaching or a career in music, and who have successfully completed at least one year of undergraduate study.
- 4. Grants may be made for up to three years of undergraduate study at an accredited college or university. Grantees must maintain a "C" average or equivalent to be eligible for a grant for the succeeding year. (For graduate school possibilities", see Item 7.)
- 5. Grants shall be in amounts determined by the Fund Committee in its sole discretion, but giving consideration to the following: (1) Income available, (2) eligibility of applicants, (3) number of eligible students who apply by the application deadline of each year, (4) financial need of applicants, giving consideration to other available resources.
- 6. The maximum amount that can be granted to one applicant in any academic year shall not exceed 50% of the tuition and fees charged by the college for that year.
- 7. Graduate students in the three career fields above may be granted funds on the basis of (1) availability of funds, (2) undergraduate being supplied as per above criteria, (3) eligibility requirements.
- 8. Undergraduate Fund applicants must be registered as no less than a half-time student as defined by the college or university.
- 9. Applicants for grants from the Swartz Fund must be completed and returned to the Fund Committee by May 1 when starting the fall semester or by October 1 when starting the January semester. In order for a student to secure funds for any additional year, a re-application must be made to the Committee.
- 10. Should a recipient of the Swartz Fund Scholarship monies determine not to continue in the path leading to the church vocation, a career in teaching, or in music, he/she is obligated to sign a loan agreement and replace the funds used by repaying a minimum of 10% of the total in the first year, 10% of the total the second year, 20% of the total the third year, 30% the fourth year, and complete payment with 30% the fifth year. If the funds are not repaid at the end of the fifth year, payment with an annual interest rate of 6% will be charged.
  - 11. If the recipient becomes disabled or dies during the period of preparation, no obligation is incurred.
- 12. It is the expectation of those who established the Swartz Fund and those who administer it that recipients will maintain voting membership status in St. Luke Church during the period of their education and will be faithful in worship and services, in the community where they matriculate.

Interested students are encouraged to print and complete the application below and return it to the church office by March 1.

## ST. LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH, WILLIAMSPORT, PA RICHARD E, SWARTZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

## SUMMARY PROVISIONS

Members of St. Luke Church in good standing may apply to the Swartz Fund for up to three college years of undergraduate support and/or while in graduate study. Availability of grants is limited to applicants planning a teaching career, a career in music, or a church vocation (lay or ordained). An initial or renewal application, submitted to the church office, is required by May 1 of each year. Awards will be officially announced by August 15th, and funds will be disbursed directly to the applicant within the next sixty days. To receive this grant applicants must maintain a grade point average (GPA) of at least a "C" or equivalent in both their major and overall coursework. Applicants must also have an officially declared major at the college. At this time the annual grant is up to \$1,000.

1)	Name				
2)	Mailing Address				
3)	Contact Phone	Other Phone			
4)	Date of Application	<u>net la desta de militar el les la </u>			
5)	Applying for which academic year?				
6)	Initial Application R	Cenewal			
7)	College Enrollment:				
	a) Name of College				
	b) Official Address of Admissions Department				
	c) Phone Number of Admissions De	epartment			
8)	Present accumulative college GPA?				
9)	Officially declared major in which area?				
10	Are you a voting member of St. Luke E	vangelical Lutheran Church, Williamsport?			
	Yes No				
FU	RTHER NOTE TO APPLICANT				

We will need to receive a copy of your official GPA through the spring semester of the year of this application and an official statement from your department chair or college representative as to your matriculation status declaring that you are officially majoring in one of the required areas. We request that you send these documents to us by July 1 to be officially considered for the next academic year. Attached is a copy of the controlling document. Please note all provisions especially after #10. By signing this document you agree to all provisions.

signature	1	date