

The Herman C. and Carrie W. Watson Memorial Scholarship

Students from Accomack and Northampton Counties in Virginia who plan to attend one of the five colleges listed below are eligible to apply for the “Herman C. and Carrie W. Watson Memorial Scholarship”:

- University of Virginia
- Virginia Military Institute
- Virginia Tech
- College of William and Mary
- Goldey Beacom College

Mr. Watson, a local businessman, established these scholarships under his Will. His Will states that the Herman C. Watson and Carrie W. Watson Memorial Scholarships are for worthy students who are from either Accomack or Northampton County, Virginia; who have applied for the scholarship before the closing date; and who are accepted to and attend one of the five colleges or universities. The term “worthy” does not denote financial need; therefore, any student from these two counties who is accepted at one of the above-listed colleges or universities would be eligible to apply, regardless of his or her financial need.

Please visit The Herman C. and Carrie W. Watson Memorial Scholarship webpage at www.watsonmemorialscholarships.com. Links are provided for the colleges and universities where the scholarships are available. Hopefully this site will assist students in obtaining and completing the necessary application to ensure eligibility for the scholarship. Also, if you have any questions, our email address is officewatsonscholarships@gmail.com.

Please note that this is not an “automatic” scholarship and that students need to apply for this scholarship. It also is important to note that any student who is interested in being a recipient of this scholarship should apply before the filing deadline (determined by the college) even if he or she is not accepted at that time. Some students in the past have waited until they were accepted to apply which was beyond the scholarship filing deadline; therefore, they were not granted the scholarship funds. The application deadline usually is the third week of January, and it is never too early to apply, as the application process can begin as early as September for the following academic year.

The Financial Aid Office should be contacted to find out the filing deadline in any given year. It is our understanding that at certain colleges, once a student’s college application is received, emails are sent from the Financial Aid Department informing students of available scholarships and the deadlines for applying. Both students and parents should be attentive to these emails to secure possible scholarship funds which are available.

Guidance Counselors

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Student qualification and selection criteria are determined by the colleges and not the Trust.