

2016 Webster and Virginia L. Thomas Scholarships

Virginia L. Thomas, widow of Webster Thomas, upon her death on March 18, 1999, left a trust naming the Tipton R-VI School District Board of Directors as trustees. It was the desire of Webster and Virginia that the income from the trust be used as scholarships for residents of the school district to further their education. Webster Thomas was a long time teacher, coach, administrator and counselor for the Tipton RV-I School District, retiring in 1973.

Eligibility for the scholarship is as follows:

1. Be a permanent resident within the Tipton R-VI school district boundaries as determined on March 4, 1998 or a Tipton High School graduate from the Latham or Clarksburg school district and a permanent resident in said school district. A permanent resident is anyone who 1) physically lives in the school district, 2) is a single student enrolled fulltime in a post secondary educational institution since high school graduation and lives with parents in the school district while home from school or 3) single and has been enlisted in the military since high school graduation and stays while home on leave with parents living in the school district.
2. Graduate of accredited high school or equivalent. Applicants not meeting this requirement will be considered on an individual basis.
3. Planning to continue his/her education with specific educational goals in mind.

Scholarship Process

1. Applications are available March 1 from Thomas Scholarship, P. O. Box 426, Tipton, Missouri 65081 or the Tipton High School counseling office or online at tipton.k12.mo.us.
2. Scholarships may be awarded to graduating seniors and/or to those who have already completed high school. Scholarships are awarded for two- and four- year colleges, vocational and trade schools, etc.
3. Graduating senior scholarship recipients will be announced at Tipton High School's annual award ceremony, Candlelight. Post graduate scholarship recipients will be notified by mail on or about the Candlelight date.
4. Scholarships are awarded for the next academic year. One-half of the scholarship award will be paid to the school at the beginning of each semester. Recipients will be expected to carry at least twelve (12) credit hours to receive the full scholarship (fewer hours will be prorated accordingly). Students may reapply.
5. Application deadline is April 15. **Late and incomplete applications not considered. Include a COMPLETE (may be Web generated) college transcript for post graduates, and transcript with ACT scores, GPA and rank in class for graduating seniors.**
6. Return application to Thomas Scholarship, P. O. Box 426, Tipton, Missouri 65081 or the THS counseling office. Questions may be directed to Nancy Bookout, 573-353-0419. Keep cover page for your records.