



# Smithfield Little League 2017 College or Trade School Scholarship

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Dear Former Smithfield Little League Player:

Congratulations on reaching a milestone in your academic journey!

Smithfield Little League (SLL) is proud to once again offer scholarships to former players who embody the ideals and values of the league. One-year, \$500 scholarships will be awarded to eligible individuals to assist with college tuition and- new this year- with fees associated with the first year of trade school instruction.

In regard to eligibility for a SLL Scholarship, it is important to note that years of play is not the only criteria that is considered. The league believes that an applicant's' service to the league should be considered equally with playing time. Service could include the number of years as an umpire, serving as a "Challenger Buddy", helping to coach a team or attending games in support of the players or other efforts in support of youth baseball in Smithfield.

Applicants must meet the following criteria to be eligible for a scholarship:

- Minimum of five **seasons** of play in Smithfield Little League
- Service to the league other than play
  - i.e. Umpire, Challenger Division volunteer, coach, etc.
- Acceptance to an accredited college, university or trade school.

Please complete the enclosed application and mail no later than May 1, 2017 to the address located at the bottom of the application. To view a sample application, please visit <http://www.smithfieldlittleleague.com/site/ClientSite/article/2827572>. All applications must include the following:

- Complete, and signed, application
- Character reference or letter of recommendation
- 500-word, or less, essay

A committee comprised of members of the SLL Board of Directors will review all applications. Those selected for a scholarship award will be notified Honors Night in June of this year. Congratulations once again on your upcoming high school graduation and best of luck in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

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