

**Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association
2017-2018 Merit Scholarship Award Application form – SAMPLE**

Central Maryland Chapter - Education Foundation
c/o VP Scientific Education

ATTN: AFCEA Scholarships, PO Box 908, Savage, MD 20763
410-215-8249 or scholarships@centralmd.afceachapters.org

All applications must be received by December 21, 2018.

<https://centralmd.afceachapters.org/merit-scholarship-application>

(If you have questions, please contact VP, Scientific Education at the contacts above)

THIS FORM IS PROVIDED ONLY FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON LINE. No mailed applications accepted.

Your application consists of six parts:

1. General information about you. *This is submitted on line.*

- Your Full Name (**First Middle Last**): _____
- Your Home Address (**Number, Street, City, State Zip code**): _____
- Preferred Phone Number(s): _____
Is this number a Mobile ____ Home ____
- Your Email Address: _____
- Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes: ____ No: ____
- High School: _____ County: _____
- Major Academic Interests: _____
- Activities, Organizations, Clubs, Sports, etc. _____
- Three of the most important traits to having a successful STEM career are creativity, determination, and an ability to apply the scientific method to solve real world problems. Explain how you have demonstrated these traits in your academic and/or extra-curricular activities. (300 words or less).

- Are either or both of your parents currently serving in the US military? (check what applies)
One: ____ Both: ____ Neither: ____ If yes, which branch of service? _____
- College/University: I plan to seek admission to one of the following three schools (if accepted, please specify):

- 2. A 750-1000 word essay** from the applicant addressing two questions: 1. How has your adversity impacted your ability to pursue college or your career goals and how would this scholarship help you overcome your adversity. 2. How your collegiate study* might prepare you for a career supporting intelligence, homeland security, or national defense objectives (**submit this as part of the on-line application**). (*Acceptable fields of study include systems engineering, software engineering, math, cyber, information technology, electrical engineering, computer engineering, computer science, physics, mechanical engineering, materials science, or engineering relating to IT, communications, and electronics.)
- 3. A resume** from the applicant detailing, at a minimum, the applicant's accomplishments, work experience, and community involvement (**submit this as part of the on-line application**).

Please note: Students who pursue a degree in other science - pre-med, pre-law, biology, environmental - or any form of engineering not listed in Freedom Scholarship flyer are unlikely to be considered to receive a scholarship. **If you are unsure, please email scholarships@centralmd.afceachapters.org to clarify.**



4. An **official, certified high school transcript** of completed courses and grades mailed **directly** from the high school to the address at the top of this flyer or **emailed directly from the high school** to scholarships@centralmd.afceachapters.org.
5. A copy of the applicant's SAT scores from the testing center. Email this report to scholarships@centralmd.afceachapters.org. AFCEA is not listed as a site that scores be sent to. Simply copy/scan the report and attach it in an email to the email address provided. The copy must include applicant's name.
6. **Two letters of recommendation:** one letter must be from an academic person (i.e., a school official – teacher, principal) and one letter must be from a non-academic person (i.e., a person outside of school – clergy, a person you work/intern for, a volunteer leader, a coach). **Letters from school counselors are not acceptable.** Letters should be specific to this scholarship and not be letters that are for entry to a university or college. Letters may be emailed to scholarships@centralmd.afceachapters.org. Please follow up with the persons who are emailing letters of recommendation to ensure that they have submitted them.

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